The following checklist is designed to assist applicants in submitting the necessary materials needed during the application process. Delays often occur when applicants fail to provide required information to the Board. The Board’s Licensing Department encourages use of provided checklists for all license types.

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<td>Complete the chronological information in month / year format beginning with high school and answer all questions. Documentation can be uploaded to your application via the gateway for any affirmative responses provided.</td>
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<td>Document will need to be signed and notarized. The original must be sent to the NCMB. Faxes and emailed copies will not be accepted.</td>
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| ☐ Legal Resident Status | U.S. citizens must submit a photocopy of one of the following:  
1) birth certificate  
2) valid, unexpired U.S. passport  
Not a U.S. citizen? Provide a photocopy of one of the following:  
1) Alien Registration Card or Green Card (form I-555)  
2) Employment Authorization Document (form I-688 B or I-766)  
3) Certification of Report of Birth (form DS-1350)  
4) Arrival/Departure Record (form I-94)  
5) Other documentation providing lawful U.S. status  
Documentation can be uploaded to your application via the gateway. |
| ☐ Name change documentation (if applicable) | A photocopy of documentation of a legal name change (marriage certificate, divorce decree, etc). Documentation can be uploaded to your application via the gateway. |
| ☐ Evidence of completing a 5th pathway program (if applicable) | Foreign medical school graduates must have a current ECFMG. [Contact ECFMG](#) to have a “Certification Status Report” sent to the NCMB.  
If you completed a 5th pathway program and a licensing exam other than USMLE, contact ECFMG to have an “ECFMG Examination Score Transcript” sent to the NCMB. Obtain a “Fifth Pathway Verification Form” from the NCMB. Email license@ncmedboard.org request this form. |
| ☐ Physician References | Two recommendation forms must be completed by physicians. Recommendation cannot be from a relative. These forms can be emailed to [license@ncmedboard.org](mailto:license@ncmedboard.org) from the author. |
| ☐ Fingerprint cards, authority to release form and criminal history | **Applicants outside North Carolina**  
You will need to go to your local law enforcement office to be fingerprinted. Your fingerprints will need to be provided on a FD-258 fingerprint card which can be provided by the law enforcement office. 2 fingerprint cards will need to be submitted.  
You will need to upload the Authority for Release of Information form to your application via the gateway.  
**Applicants in North Carolina**  
Live Scan is available to those applicants who are in NC. You will need to go to your local law enforcement office to have this process completed and take the following with you: (1) Applicant
Information form, and (2) Electronic Fingerprint Submission Release of Information form.

Once the fingerprinting process has been completed, you will need to upload the Electronic Fingerprint Submission Release of Information form to your application via the gateway.

The Applicant Information form can be discarded after being fingerprinted.

- **Ten-year rule**

  You must submit documentation of 60 hours of Category 1 practice relevant CME obtained in the past three (3) years unless you have complete one of the following:

  1. You have passed one of the following examinations in the past 10 years
     - USMLE examination.
     - MCCQE examination.
     - National Osteopathic Board of Medical Examiners Examination or COMLEX.
     - SPEX examination with a score of at least 75.
     - COMVEX examination, the Osteopathic examination equivalent to SPEX.
     - Certification or recertification of CAQ by a specialty board recognized by the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS), American Osteopathic Association (AOA), Certificant of the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CCFP), Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians of Canada (FRCP) and Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons of Canada (FRCS).

  You have participated in a graduate medical education program approved by ACGME, AOA, CFPC or RCPSC in the last 10 years.

- **FCVS profile**

  Request your FCVS profile be sent to the NCMB.

  FCVS provides the following documentation:

  - Verification of Medical Education and medical school transcripts.
  - License examination scores
  - ECFMG certification status report
  - Board Action Data Bank report
  - Postgraduate training verification

- **Interview**

  You will be notified if a personal interview will be required.

**Annual Renewal:** NC law requires licensed physicians to renew with the Board within 30 days of their birthday, every year, no matter when the license is issued. A renewal fee is required.

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