

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 54.1-2930 of the Code of Virginia and to repeal § 54.1-2935 of the*
 3 *Code of Virginia, relating to Board of Medicine; requirements for licensure.*

[S 1046]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 54.1-2930 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**8 **§ 54.1-2930. Requirements for licensure.**

9 The Board may issue a license to practice medicine, osteopathy, chiropractic, and podiatric medicine
 10 to any candidate who has submitted satisfactory evidence verified by affidavits that he:

11 1. Is 18 years of age or more;

12 2. Is of good moral character;

13 3. Has successfully completed all or such part as may be prescribed by the Board, of an educational
 14 course of study of that branch of the healing arts in which he desires a license to practice, which course
 15 of study and the educational institution providing that course of study are acceptable to the Board; and

16 4. Has completed at least 12 months of satisfactory postgraduate training in one program or
 17 institution approved by an accrediting agency recognized by the Board for internships or residency
 18 training. At the discretion of the Board, the postgraduate training may be waived if an applicant for
 19 licensure in podiatry has been in active practice for four continuous years while serving in the military
 20 and is a diplomate of the American Board of Podiatric Surgery. Applicants for licensure in chiropractic
 21 need not fulfill this requirement.

22 In determining whether such course of study and institution are acceptable to it, the Board may
 23 consider the reputation of the institution and whether it is approved or accredited by regional or national
 24 educational or professional associations, including, ~~but not limited to,~~ such organizations as the
 25 Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, Liaison Committee on Medical Education,
 26 Council on Postgraduate Training of the American Osteopathic Association, Council on Osteopathic
 27 College Accreditation, College of Family Physicians of Canada, Committee for the Accreditation of
 28 Canadian Medical Schools, Education Commission on Foreign Medical Graduates, Royal College of
 29 Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, or their appropriate subsidiary agencies; by any appropriate agency
 30 of the United States government; or by any other organization approved by the Board. ~~Supervised~~
 31 ~~clinical training that is received in the United States as part of the curriculum of an international medical~~
 32 ~~school shall be obtained in an approved hospital, institution or school of medicine offering an approved~~
 33 ~~residency program in the specialty area for the relevant clinical training or in a program acceptable to~~
 34 ~~the Board and deemed a substantially equivalent experience. The Board may also consider any other~~
 35 ~~factors that reflect whether that institution and its course of instruction provide training sufficient to~~
 36 ~~prepare practitioners to practice their branch of the healing arts with competency and safety in the~~
 37 ~~Commonwealth.~~

38 **2. That § 54.1-2935 of the Code of Virginia is repealed.**

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