COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN MEDICINE

POLICY 19-01

Adopted May 2, 2019[[1]](#footnote-1)

REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF 243 CMR 2.03(1)(d) – REQUIREMENT FOR SATISFACTORY COMPLETION OF THIRTY-SIX (36) MONTHS OF POSTGRADUATE TRAINING FOR INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GRADUATES

When an international medical graduate has successfully completed thirty-two (32) months of ACGME accredited, AOA approved or accredited Canadian postgraduate training, the full license applicant may submit a written request to the Board for a waiver, pursuant to 243 CMR 2.03(1)(e), of the requirement to complete an additional four (4) months of accredited postgraduate training prior to Board consideration of the application. The applicant must provide evidence that he or she meets the standards of M.G.L. c. 112, Sections 2 through 9B; and that such a waiver would promote the public health, safety or welfare.

In order to be considered under this policy, the applicant must submit the following:

1. A completed application that does not contain either additional waiver requests OR any issues or affirmative answers that would require review by the Board’s Licensing Committee; and
2. A waiver request asking the Board to process his or her application following successful completion of at least thirty-two (32) months of progressive ACGME accredited, AOA approved or accredited Canadian postgraduate training; and
3. A total of four (4) Supervisory Board Evaluation forms completed by the applicant’s program director, with one evaluation for each year of training and a summative evaluation covering at least thirty-two (32) months of training.

Only applicants who have achieved a rating of “Superior” on each of the eight evaluation categories on all four (4) Supervisory Board Evaluation forms will qualify for a waiver pursuant to this policy.

Applicants who do not meet the Board’s requirement for a waiver will be processed pursuant to the Board’s standard procedure, following submission of documentation of successful completion of thirty-six (36) months of progressive ACGME accredited, AOA approved or accredited Canadian postgraduate training and a summative evaluation covering thirty-six (36) months of training.

1. On December 19, 2019, the Board of Registration in Medicine stated that this policy will be in effect until the Board promulgates a new regulation incorporating the subject matter of this Policy into 243 CMR 2.00. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)