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Board of Registration in Pharmacy

Policy 2020-03: Pharmacist Graduates of Canadian Pharmacy Schools

Under certain conditions, schools of pharmacy located in the Canadian Provinces that are accredited by the Canadian Council for Accreditation of Pharmacy Programs (CCAPP) may be considered approved schools of pharmacy for pharmacist applicants to the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy (Board).

- I. For those applicants who have graduated from a CCAPP approved school of pharmacy between 1993 and 2004, the following provisions apply:
 - A. must hold a valid license to practice as a pharmacist in the Canadian Province;
 - B. must complete a 300 hour internship in a Massachusetts pharmacy; and
 - C. following completion of the above requirements, a prospective candidate will be permitted to apply to the Board, pass the North American Pharmacy Licensing Examination (NAPLEX) and Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination (MPJE), and meet other terms and conditions as the Board may require.
- II. The current foreign pharmacy graduate process must be followed if the applicant:
 - A. graduated from a CCAPP approved school of pharmacy between 1993 and 2004, but does not hold a license to practice as a pharmacist in a Canadian Province;
 - B. graduated from a CCAPP approved school of pharmacy after 2004; or
 - C. holds a valid license to practice as a pharmacist in a Canadian Province, but has not graduated from a CCAPP approved school of pharmacy.

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