

GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
PUERTO RICO BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS  
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**General Requirements to Apply for a Regular License in Puerto Rico by  
Endorsement**

1. All alien candidates must present adequate evidence of his/her legal residency (notarized copy of your visa(s), passport, etc.) or any other document requested by the Puerto Rico Board.
2. To have approved the NBME, FLEX or USMLE. The transcript must be sent directly from the Federation State Medical Board ( [www.fsmb.org](http://www.fsmb.org) ) to the Puerto Rico Board of Medical Examiners. If you are using a combination of the former examination sequences (NBME Parts, FLEX or USMLE Component according to Resolution 94-5, said examination must have been completed before the year 2000; see combination on Page 3: Note: (2)).
3. Submit the "Application for Examination and Licensure to Practice Medicine and Surgery in Puerto Rico" duly sworn.
4. Submit the "Application for Regular License by Endorsement".
5. Submit a payment for the amount of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars in a money order pay to Secretary of Treasury. If the payment is made in our offices and not by mail, we accept ATH, VISA, Mastercard.
6. Certification from the State(s) where you holds a regular license(s) sent directly from the Board(s) of the State(s) to the Puerto Rico Board.
7. Submit an official transcript from the institution(s) where the applicant obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree (B.S.), approved pre-medical courses, or equivalent courses to the Pre-Medical curriculum. The lowest grade point average accepted is 2.5 or its equivalent. The transcript(s) must be sent directly from the institution(s) to the Puerto Rico Board of Medical Examiners.
8. Transcript(s) from the institution(s) where applicant completed medical studies with Title of Doctor in Medicine. The transcript(s) must be sent directly from the institution to the Puerto Rico Board.
9. Certification of the Dean of the School of Medicine that certifies the completion of Basic and Clinical Sciences. Certification must be sent directly from the institution to the Puerto Rico Board of Medical Examiners.

10. Certification of Title of Doctor in Medicine sent directly from the School of Medicine to the Puerto Rico Board.
11. Certification of having completed the first year of internship. This certification must specify the date that the applicant began and finished the internship signed by the Director of Medical Education of Health of the hospital in cases of internships accredited by ACGME. Certification must be sent directly from the institution to the Puerto Rico Board.
12. Birth certificate copy (for people born in Puerto Rico has to be issued by the Puerto Rico Department of Health, after July 1, 2010).
13. Submit a certificate of police record, from the Puerto Rico Police Department. The certificate must not be older than 12 months.
14. Submit a background check by the appropriate agency of where you currently live. The background check must not be older than 12 months.
15. Submit a sworn statement with the following requirements: (Law 139, article 21 (A))
  - a. State(s) of the United States of America or country (countries) where you holds a current regular license to practice medicine. Indicate the license(s) number(s), issued date(s) and place(s).
  - b. If you have not been practicing medicine for some period of time, explain the reasons why and specify dates.
  - c. Indicate place(s) of work; specify dates and place(s), hospital(s), institution(s), and/or office(s) where you have worked for the last five (5) years.
  - d. Indicate if your license to practice medicine in any state or country has been revoked, suspended, cancelled, put in probation or under disciplinary action. Explain the reasons why and submit certified copy of the decision or resolution submitted in the case, if any.
  - e. Explain if you have been investigated or have been requested to appear before any of the Board(s) of the state(s) or country (countries) where you have practiced medicine.
  - f. Explain if you have been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor in Puerto Rico or in another state or country where you have practiced or currently practice medicine.
  - g. Explain if you have been under medical treatment for substance abuse or alcohol. Submit certified copy of your medical record and a written statement from your doctor about your current condition.
  - h. Submit a letter to maintain informed the Puerto Rico Board of Medical Examiners about any procedure that may be started against you.
  - i. Accept and agree that if any state or country revokes, suspends, cancels or assigns a probation period to your medical license for misconduct or for professional incompetence, your license in Puerto Rico will be immediately revoked, cancelled, suspended or assigned a probation period as well.

16. Submit "Formulario de Certificación Médica" completed and signed by a physician duly authorized to practice in Puerto Rico with a regular license to practice medicine in Puerto Rico.
17. Notarized copy of your ECFMG certificate that show valid indefinitely.
18. Complete and sign the application for medical registry "Solicitud de Registro".
19. Submit a payment for the amount of two hundred and fifty (\$250.00) dollars in payment for your medical registry in money order pay to Secretary of Treasury. If the payment is made in our offices and not by mail, we accept ATH, VISA, Mastercard.
20. Negative Certification of the Administration for Child Support Enforcement (ASUME) (787) 767-1500.
21. Original and copy of your driver license or American Passport.
22. Formulary "Formulario de Certificación Médica" complete and signed by a physician with regular license to practice medicine in Puerto Rico.
23. CME <https://academia.prsciencetrust.org/courses/phsu-certificacion-de-muerte-con-enfasis-en-muertes-relacionadas-a-desastres>

NOTE:

- (1) Clauses 1, 3, 4, 5, 12,13, 14,15,16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 must be presented jointly in order to open up your record.
- (2) The Puerto Rico Board of Medical Examiners, by means of its resolution #94-5 approved on March 10, 1994, adopted the following combinations of examinations as a requirement for obtaining a regular or temporary license besides complying with all the other provisions of law. Said examinations must have been completed before the year 2000.

USMLE I	+	NBME II	+	NMBE III
USMLE I	+	USMLE II	+	NBME III
USMLE I	+	NBME I	+	USMLE III
NBME I	+	USMLE II	+	USMLE III
NBME I	+	USMLE II	+	NMBE III
NBME I	+	NBME II	+	USMLE III
FLEX I	+	USMLE III		
FLEX II	+	USMLE I	+	NBME II
FLEX II	+	USMLE I	+	USMLE II
FLEX II	+	NBME I	+	USMLE II
FLEX II	+	NBME I	+	NBME II

Note \*If the candidate has completed the necessary requirements for an accredited residence program need apply for the specialty or sub specialty certificate. Note: The candidate must satisfactorily meet all the requirements of the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) that applies to his (her) specialty.