



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 4731-6-05 Medical and osteopathic examination.

Effective: January 31, 2022

(A) The medical and osteopathic examinations shall be all steps of the USMLE or all levels of the COMLEX-USA.

(B) An applicant shall have passed all steps of the USMLE or all levels of the COMLEX-USA within a ten-year period, and achieved a recognized passing performance on each step or level. No applicant may have exceeded the maximum number of attempts for any step or level established by the national board of medical examiners or the national board of osteopathic medical examiners, as effective on the date of application for a license.

(C) The board may waive the requirements of paragraph (B) of this rule, if the applicant meets one or more of the following, as applicable:

(1) Holds current specialty board certification from a member board of the American board of medical specialties or the AOA; or

(2) Demonstrates that a step or level was completed within the maximum number of attempts permitted by the national board of medical examiners or the national board of osteopathic medical examiners, at the time the step or level was successfully completed, provided that the applicant did not exceed six attempts for the step or level.

(3) Demonstrates good cause, as determined by the board, for not having passed all steps or levels with a ten-year period.

(4) Steps or levels of the USMLE and COMLEX-USA cannot be combined to fulfill an acceptable testing sequence as required by this rule.
