

148.11 Special license to practice medicine and surgery.

1. Whenever the need exists, the board of medical examiners may issue a special license. The special license shall authorize the licensee to practice medicine and surgery under the policies and standards applicable to the health care services of a medical school academic staff member or as otherwise specified in the special license.

2. A person applying for a special license shall:

a. Be a physician in a professional specialty.

b. Present a diploma issued by a medical college.

c. Present evidence of an unrestricted license to practice medicine and surgery which has been issued by a foreign state or territory or an alien country.

d. Present a letter of recommendation from the dean of a medical school in this state indicating that the applicant has been invited to serve on the academic staff of the medical school.

e. Present letters of recommendation from universities, other educational institutions, or research facilities that indicate the noteworthy professional attainment by the applicant.

f. Present biographical background information concerning the applicant's education and qualifications.

3. The fee for initial issuance of a special license shall be established in an amount sufficient to cover the costs of issuing the special license. If the special license is extended beyond one year, an annual renewal fee shall be established in an amount sufficient to cover the costs of renewing the special license.

4. Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 17A, the board may cancel a special license at any time without hearing. However, when such license is proposed to be canceled, the board shall promptly notify the licensee by certified mail sent to the last known address of the licensee. Thirty days after the service of such notice, the special license shall be canceled.

5. A special license issued under this section shall automatically expire upon the special licensee discontinuing service on the academic staff of a medical school in this state. An expired special license shall not be renewed. However, a former special licensee may reapply for a special license.

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