

148F.5 Qualifications for licensure as orthotist, prosthetist, or pedorthist.

1. To qualify for a license to practice orthotics or prosthetics, a person shall meet the following requirements:

- a. Possess a baccalaureate degree from a college or university.
- b. Have completed the amount of formal training, including but not limited to an orthotic and prosthetic education program, and clinical practice established and approved by the board.
- c. Complete a clinical residency in the professional area for which a license is sought in accordance with standards, guidelines, or procedures for residencies established and approved by the board. The majority of training must be devoted to services performed under the supervision of a licensed practitioner of orthotics or prosthetics or a person certified as a certified orthotist, certified prosthetist, or certified prosthetist orthotist whose practice is located outside the state.
- d. Pass all written, practical, and oral examinations that are required and approved by the board.
- e. Be qualified to practice in accordance with accepted standards of orthotic and prosthetic care as established by the board.

2. To qualify for a license to practice pedorthics, a person shall meet the following requirements:

- a. Submit proof of a high school diploma or its equivalent.
- b. Have completed the amount of formal training, including but not limited to a pedorthic education program, and clinical practice established and approved by the board.
- c. Complete a qualified work experience program or internship in pedorthics that has a minimum of one thousand hours of pedorthic patient care experience in accordance with any standards, guidelines, or procedures established and approved by the board. The majority of training must be devoted to services performed under the supervision of a licensed practitioner of pedorthics or a person certified as a certified pedorthist whose practice is located outside the state.
- d. Pass all examinations that are required and approved by the board.
- e. Be qualified to practice in accordance with accepted standards of pedorthic care as established by the board.

3. The standards and requirements for licensure established by the board shall be substantially equal to or in excess of standards commonly accepted in the professions of orthotics, prosthetics, or pedorthics, as applicable. The board shall adopt rules as necessary to set the standards and requirements.

4. A person may be licensed in more than one discipline.

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