

481—572.3(147,153) Licensure.

572.3(1) Applicants for licensure to practice dentistry or dental hygiene in this state who meet the requirements of this rule may be eligible for a license on the basis of examination or credentials.

a. Applicants who have held a license issued in another state, district or territory for one year or longer must apply for licensure by credentials.

b. Applicants who are licensed in another jurisdiction and who are unable to satisfy the requirements for licensure by examination or credentials may be eligible for licensure by verification pursuant to rule 481—572.7(272C).

572.3(2) Applications for licensure on the basis of examination or credentials must include the following:

a. Satisfactory evidence of graduation from an accredited dental or dental hygiene school.

(1) Applicants for dental license must have been issued a doctor of dental surgery (DDS) or doctor of medicine in dentistry (DMD) degree.

(2) Graduates of foreign dental schools who have not obtained a DDS or DMD degree from an accredited dental school shall also satisfy the requirements of rule 481—572.4(153).

b. Certification by an authorized representative of the school that the applicant was a student in good standing while attending that school.

c. Evidence of successful passage of the examination administered by the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations (JCNDE). Applicants who have lawfully practiced dentistry or dental hygiene in another state, district or territory for five or more years are exempt from presenting this evidence.

d. Evidence of successful passage of a board-approved clinical examination pursuant to rule 481—572.14(147,153) and a statement of all other clinical examinations taken by the applicant with an indication of pass/fail for each.

(1) Applicants on the basis of examination must have successfully completed the clinical examination within five years of the date of application.

(2) Applicants who have lawfully practiced dentistry or dental hygiene in another state, district or territory for five or more years may be exempt from presenting this evidence.

e. Certification of all licenses issued to the applicant. The certification should include, at a minimum, the name, license number, status, expiration date, and an indication of whether the applicant has been subject to disciplinary action.

f. The applicable application fees, including the background check fee, as specified in 481—Chapter 571.

g. A completed packet to facilitate a criminal history background check by the DCI and FBI.

h. Evidence of successful completion of a jurisprudence examination pursuant to rule 481—572.15(147,153).

572.3(3) Applicants on the basis of credentials must also submit the following:

a. Pursuant to Iowa Code section 153.21, evidence that the applicant has met at least one of the following:

(1) Holds a license in another state, district, or territory under requirements substantially similar to those of this state, and has three consecutive years of lawful practice immediately prior to the date of application; or

(2) Has less than three consecutive years of practice immediately prior to the filing of the application and evidence of successful passage within the previous five-year period of a board-approved clinical examination pursuant to rule 481—572.14(147,153).

b. Results of a self-query of the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB).

572.3(4) The board or committee may also require such examinations as may be necessary to evaluate the applicant for licensure by credentials.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 272C.12 and chapters 147 and 153.

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