**Section 1140.30 Application for Licensure**

a) An applicant for licensure as an acupuncturist shall file an application with the Division that includes the following:

1) Acupuncture Program

A) An official transcript certifying that the applicant has graduated from a school accredited by ACAOM or a similar accrediting body approved by Division; or

B) An official transcript certifying that the applicant has graduated from a comprehensive educational program approved by the Division in accordance with Section 1140.40;

2) For applications submitted on or before December 31, 2019, proof of passage of the NCCAOM examinations for Acupuncture with Point Location, Biomedicine, and Foundations of Oriental Medicine or a substantially equivalent examination approved by the Division;

3) For applications submitted on or after January 1, 2020, proof of status as a Diplomate of Acupuncture (3-year program) or Diplomate of Oriental Medicine (4-year program) with NCCAOM, or a substantial equivalent approved by the Division;

4) Proof of successful completion of the CNT course administered by CCAOM; and

5) The required fee specified in Section 1140.20.

b) All documents shall be submitted to the Division in English.

c) If the applicant has ever been licensed as an acupuncturist in another state, he/she shall also submit a certification from the state in which the applicant was originally licensed and in which the applicant is currently licensed, stating:

1) The time during which the applicant was licensed as an acupuncturist in that jurisdiction, including the date of the original issuance of the license;

2) A description of the examination in that jurisdiction; and

3) Whether the file on the applicant contains any record of disciplinary actions taken or pending.

d) When the accuracy of any submitted documentation or experience is questioned by the Division or the Board because of lack of information, discrepancies or conflicts in information given or a need for clarification, the applicant seeking licensure shall be requested to:

1) Provide such information as may be necessary; and/or

2) Appear for an interview before the Board to explain such relevance or sufficiency, clarify information, or clear up any discrepancies or conflicts in information.

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