

## **GUIDELINES FOR Osteopathy LICENSURE WITHIN DHCC**

### **Licensure:**

In addition to licensure requirements as per the “Application for Osteopathy License”, each licensure applicant must meet all of the following education and training per category:

### **For Doctor of Osteopathy Licensure**

- a) Active medical license (D.O. from the United States only) to practice medicine in DHCC and be current in certification from DHCC for emergency medical procedures (e.g. cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR)); **AND**
- b) Graduation from an Osteopathic medical school in the United States. The osteopathic medical school that offers the Osteopathic medical education program shall be accredited as a medical school in the United States; **AND**
- c) At least 3 years full time experience practicing Osteopathy including Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine (OMM); **AND**
- d) Applicants may be required to have a personal interview.

### **For Doctor of Medicine with the Complementary & Alternative Medicine (CAM) specialty of Osteopathy**

#### **Licensure**

- a) Active medical license (not including D.O. from the United States) to practice medicine in DHCC and be current in certification from DHCC for emergency medical procedures; **AND**
- b) At least 240 hours of formal training in Osteopathy in a recognized Osteopathy educational institution with certification of having successfully completed the program; **AND**
- c) The educational program should focus on Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine (OMM) including cranial osteopathy; **AND**
- d) At least 3 years full time experience practicing Osteopathy including Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine (OMM); **AND**
- e) Applicants may be required to have a personal interview.

### **For Doctor of CAM in the specialty of Osteopathy Licensure**

- a) Bachelor's degree in Osteopathy from a recognized and accredited University, or a general Bachelor's degree from a recognized and accredited University; **AND**
- b) The applicant will have graduated from a recognized Osteopathy education program (see list of recognized training programs and associations below) ; **AND**
- c) The institution that offers the Osteopathy education program shall be accredited as an institution of higher education by the country in which it is based; **AND**
- d) The program shall be comprised of a full-time didactic curriculum in basic sciences and supervised clinical training in Osteopathic medical education. This program should have been not less than of 2,400 clock hours of classes (over 4 academic years); **AND**
- e) Any qualified person who has graduated from a recognized Osteopathy training program as outlined above must also be licensed in the countries of practice, current in certification from DHCC for emergency medical procedures (e.g. cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR)); **AND**
- f) Full-time Osteopathy practice experience of at least 5 years; **AND**
- g) Applicants must have a personal interview.

### **For Associate Doctor of CAM in the specialty of Osteopathy Licensure**

- a) Requirements “a” through “e” of Osteopathy Practitioner licensure; **AND**
- b) Applicants must have a personal interview.

**Please note:** After 5 years completion of full-time practice as an Associate Doctor of CAM in the specialty of Osteopathy, that may include full-time practice experience as a licensed Osteopath in another country, and with the recommendation of a Doctor of Osteopathy, a Doctor of Medicine with the CAM specialty of Osteopathy or a Doctor of CAM in the specialty of Osteopathy with whom they have been affiliated, they may apply for a license as a Doctor of CAM in the specialty of Osteopathy

### **Recognized Training Programs and Associations**

- a) American Academy of Osteopathy (AAO) – United States
- b) Australian Osteopathic Association
- c) Cranial Academy – United States
- d) General Osteopathic Council – United Kingdom
- e) OSEAN - International
- f) Osteopathic International Alliance

### **Re- License**

- a) Continuous Education requirement of thirty (30) accredited hours within the last two (2) years. Of these 30 hours, 20 hours shall be in the area of Osteopathy and 10 shall be in the area of general medicine.

**Please note: Evidence of malpractice insurance is required before a license can be issued, make sure to provide the licensing department with a copy of your insurance policy whenever applicable.**

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**For further information on the licensing procedure please contact:**

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