

POLICY:

International Medical Graduates


RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT:


Administration  
 Family Medicine Asheville  
 Addiction Medicine Fellowship  
 Sports Medicine Fellowship  
 Family Medicine Boone  
 Sports Medicine Fellowship  
 Family Medicine Hendersonville  
 Gen Practice Dental Residency  
 General Surgery  
 Critical Care Surgery Fellowship  
 Internal Medicine  
 Obstetrics and Gynecology  
 Maternal Fetal Medicine  
 Psychiatry  
 Child & Adolescent Fellowship  
 Consultation-Liaison Fellowship  
 Transitional Year

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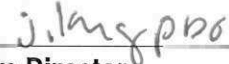
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 Designated Institutional Official Date  
 Graduate Medical Education

 7/21/21  
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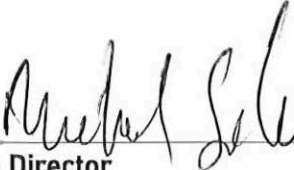
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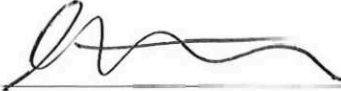
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 Family Medicine - Hendersonville


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Addiction Medicine Fellowship


  
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General Surgery Residency

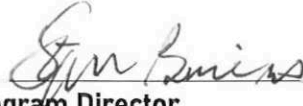
  
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Critical Care Surgery Fellowship


  
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Internal Medicine Residency

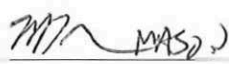
  
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Obstetrics & Gynecology Residency


  
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Maternal Fetal Medicine Fellowship

  
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General Practice Dental Residency

  
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Psychiatry Residency

  
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Program Director                      Date  
Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship

  
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Program Director                      Date  
Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry Fellowship

  
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Program Director                      Date  
Transitional Year Residency

**PURPOSE:**

Special laws and regulations apply to international medical graduates who wish to enter the United States to undertake graduate medical education. MAHEC's policies and procedures regarding graduates of international medical schools comply with federal and state laws and regulations and MAHEC's commitment to graduate medical education.

**POLICY:**

Graduates of medical schools outside the United States or Canada must meet one of the following additional qualifications:

1. Hold a current-valid certificate from the Education Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) prior to appointment;
2. Hold a full and unrestricted license to practice medicine in a United States and be eligible for a full and unrestricted license to practice medicine in North Carolina;
3. Have completed a Fifth Pathway program provided by an LCME-accredited medical school.

The ECFMG certified applicant must be in one of the following categories: a US citizen, permanent resident, or hold a valid visa permitting work in a Graduate Medical Education program (i.e. J1 visa). MAHEC is not a "sponsor" for visas (i.e. H1B).

An international medical graduate must complete all other application requirements required by MAHEC and the GME Residency or Fellowship program.

The North Carolina Medical Board requires that physicians who are graduates of schools that are not accredited by the LCME or the AOA must be individually certified by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates, and have passed the USMLE or its equivalent to be eligible for application for full licensure.

Effective: July 1, 1990

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