

# **Kentucky Medical Licensure**

# Kentucky State Law

- PG 1 residents in Kentucky are not licensed
- Under Kentucky State Law, a license is required for residents at level PG 2 and above. Those who are not licensed cannot be appointed above PG-1 until their license has been issued.
  - PG 1 residents apply for licensure through the GME office starting in the fall of their PG 1 year.

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## ■ Training Licenses

### ■ IP

- Requirements: 1 year of residency training and participation in ACGME-accredited training program
  - Allows resident write prescriptions *except for narcotics*. Moonlighting not allowed

### ■ R

- Requirements: 1 year of residency training, passing score on Step 3, and participation in ACGME-accredited training program.
  - Allows moonlighting with program director's approval. May prescribe narcotics with DEA number.

### ■ FT (Fellowship Training) License

- Issued for one year only
- Requirements: Participation in accredited program, or medical school graduate from outside US or Canada and licensed in the subject specialty of the fellowship in home country

## ■ Full License

- Requirements: Two years of residency training, passing score on Step 3.
  - Same benefits as R license, except participation in training program is not required. Fellows must utilize a Full license.

# Licensure Application Process

## for U of L PGY 1 Residents

- Individual Meetings begin in October
  - 45 minutes
  - Bring documentation—(original birth certificate or passport, copy of medical school diploma), etc.
- Applications and cost
  - Initial application \$75 (paid by GME)
  - FCVS \$460-\$560 (Paid by resident. A no-interest loan is available)
  - When to take Step 3
    - It is recommended that PG1's take Step 3 by end of January of their PG 1 year to request R license. If not, IP license will be requested. (After Step 3 is passed, IP license may be switched to R license)

# Step 3 Registration Fee Loan Program

- GME offers a loan program to cover Step 3 and fees.
- Residents register for Step 3 online in GME office.
- Fee is reimbursed to University through payroll deductions in a maximum of 10 installments. Loan is interest-free and must be paid in full by June 30.

# Training License Renewals

- IP and R licenses expire each June 30. The renewal fee is \$65.
- Licenses are renewed via an online form. Completion of this process is handled via the programs.
- Some programs pay the renewal fee and some do not.

# Full License Renewals

- Full licenses expire the last day of February. The renewal fee is \$150. Physicians renew their own licenses online. As with training licenses, some programs pay for renewals and some do not.

# What to do now if you are an incoming PG 1

- Start gathering documents needed for FCVS:
  - Original birth certificate or passport.
  - Copy of medical school diploma (8.5 x 11) **Copy it before you frame it!**
- Decide when to take Step 3 and register for the exam if you want an R license.
  - Make an appointment with Kathy in the GME office after July 1 if you want to take advantage of the Step 3 loan program.



Questions about licensure or  
Step 3 Loan program?

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