Licensure

Purpose
To clearly define the licensure requirements for residents participating in the residency.

Responsibilities
Each resident is required by Minnesota State Law to have a Residency Permit while participating in an approved residency program. The permit must be in effect by July 1st of each year. The registration fee is paid by the residency program. Residents with previous professional licensure must notify the Program before orientation, as different requirements may apply.

It is a Program requirement that each resident fulfill all of the criteria, (specifically, successful completion of exams and paperwork, etc.) to obtain a permanent license in the State of Minnesota by completion of the first year of residency, (June 30th) for domestic graduates, and by completion of two years of residency for international graduates. Residents must take and pass USMLE Step III by the end of their EM-1 year.

After passing Step III and completing the intern year, a resident may elect to obtain a Minnesota medical license or may choose to continue to practice under the Residency permit. If applied for, the license application fee is paid for by the resident. If the Minnesota license is granted, the resident must maintain current Minnesota licensure status until graduation as the Residency Permit is no longer in effect and cannot be reinstated.

Contact the MN Board of Medical Practice at 612-617-2130 to obtain an application and deadline information, or visit MN Board of Medical Practice online at www.bmp.state.mn.us. Residents who intend to moonlight independently must also pay for and obtain DEA certification.

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