Cleaning up the mysteries of Licensing and Visas

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Permanent

• Renewable in 3yr cycles (7/31/2017; 7/31/2020)

• Online, credit card, pdf immediate

• Apply now, renewal fee <12mo $230

• TN-MED 24 months Verifies minimum IL requirements, not completion of training (7/1/13 – 3/23/17 = 44 mo)

• Controlled substance application in tandem, if required

• Authorization form
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Fingerprints

• **Illinois:**
  1. Go to LiveScan vendor
  2. Add receipt to application
  3. Sit back and relax/hope you pass the background check 😊!

• **Out of State:**
  1. Call IDFPR for card (mailed)
  2. Go to Police station for prints
  3. Send copy of OOS-FP with ap/IDFPR
  4. Send prints and OOS-FP and fee to LiveScan vendor in IL
  5. Sit back and relax/hope you pass the background check 😊!

  **OR**

  1. Take a trip to Chicago and do as the natives do!!!
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Temporary

• Max 3yrs at a time
• Program specific, but transferable
• Moonlighting prohibited
• Non-standard program description required with every application

Temporary Physician Licensure
Temporary Physician Extension/Reissue
Temporary Physician Transfer

Start of program OR day after current license expires if continuing at McGaw

End of program OR three* years later, whichever is shorter
* Two years if transferring from IL intern

PGY of the year they are entering
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- Original paperwork
- Ink signatures
- 14 dy grace period for temp.
- Transfers/Extensions/Reissues require letter of request from PD

**Temp-LTD (130)**

- Program responsible for application
- Deficiencies/license issued to GME
- Please Inform me of:
  - Applicant Name
  - Program

**IDFPR license issue is PAPERLESS**
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[Image of a website interface for eLicense Search, showing options for Financial Services, Licensed Professionals, and Licensed Businesses.]
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- All license info in New Innovations:
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**F1 - Student**

- Candidate will already have visa from their Med School
- Need to apply for the **OPT (Optional Practical Training)** in order to join your program PGY-1
- At Match advise them to start the application process
- Approx 3mo to issue; duration 1yr, non-renewable, they should carefully choose start date!
- They will want an H1B for Pgy-2+, therefore you must get pre-approval before ranking
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**H1B**
- Program pays $$$
- McGaw approval needed PRIOR to ranking or offering
- Max 6yr duration, up to 3yr increment
- Filing dependent on license expiration
- *Transfer to Green card allowed*

**Scholastic criteria**
1. USMLE scores (step 1, 2, and 3) that are all above the median of McGaw’s incoming trainees (228 | 235 | 218);
2. First authorship of 2 or more peer reviewed articles;
3. Top 25 medical school or residency;
4. AOA membership;
5. MD, PhD status;
6. Exceptional case approval by the GMEC.
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**H1B**
- Premium Processing (requires ~6 weeks) was mandatory!
- USCIS halting PP from 4/3/17 for ~6mo
- Normal processing times currently 7-9mo (can’t file >6mo in advance)

- H1B – H1B *external transfers* can work with a pending petition
- H1B – H1B *internal extensions* can work for 240 days with a pending petition
- H1B – *initial applications* can’t work until approved
- Other visa – H1B *change of status* can’t work until approved
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**J1**
- Candidate pays
- Exchange visitor’s visa
- Max 7yr duration (8th yr extn)
- Renewed yearly
- Processing 6-8 wks

- Fellows - Step 3 waived ONLY if residing outside of USA
- NO Gaps in training (unless official program late start e.g. surgery fellowships – DoS)
- Subject to “2 year home rule”
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Appointment checklist:
• Complete New Innovations profile
• Stipend B
• Application (ERAS/GME/dept)
• CV
• Step scores
• ECFMG cert. (except Canadians)
• License/pending
plus:
• Current visa status info
  J1 = DS-2019
  H1B = I-797 Approval notice

• No need to send paper copies of Steps/license/ECFMG because you have uploaded pdfs to New Innovations

Subsequent steps:
J1 - I follow up with PC/candidate to request further documents and file for the visa

H1B - Get license ASAP. Attorney will follow up with candidate to request further documents and file for the visa.
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**DS-2019**

**I-797A, Notice of Action**

**Visa**

(For travel re-entry)
Timeline

**Incoming Housestaff Licenses**
As soon as appointed ("incoming" in NI) I email application pdfs; please bring CA-MEDs ASAP

**Temp License Renewal**
Start November
CA-MEDs to me ASAP and by 1/31
Ask trainees to submit papers to me ASAP and by 1/31

**J1 Visa**
New - Start as soon as appointed ("incoming" in NI) – ASAP
Renewal - Start as soon as re-appointed in NI – ASAP

**H1B**
New - Start as soon as appointed ("incoming" in NI) – ASAP
Renewals - Start ASAP, can only file 6mo prior to start (but if PP reinstated there's not so much rush)
BUT must get license first.
Ask about Green Card!!!!
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