

AN ACT concerning State government.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Medical Practice Act of 1987 is amended by changing Section 15.5 as follows:

(225 ILCS 60/15.5)

Sec. 15.5. International medical graduate physicians; licensure. After January 1, 2025, an international medical graduate physician may apply to the Department for a limited license. The Department shall: ~~adopt rules~~

(1) establish ~~establishing~~ qualifications and application fees for the limited licensure of international medical graduate physicians; ~~and may adopt other rules as may be necessary for the implementation of this Section.~~

~~(2) The Department shall adopt rules that provide a pathway to full licensure for limited license holders after the licensee successfully completes a supervision period and satisfies other qualifications as established by the Department;~~

(3) after January 1, 2026, establish, in collaboration with the Department of Public Health and the Governor's Office of New Americans, a clinical readiness program to

provide direct services to international medical graduate physicians seeking to reestablish their medical careers and obtain residency in this State. The establishment and administration of the clinical readiness program for international medical graduate physicians shall be subject to appropriation. The clinical readiness program shall be implemented pursuant to a New American Plan developed by the Department in accordance with the Governor's Office of New Americans Act and administered by the licensing liaison for international applicants under Section 2105-405 of the Department of Professional Regulation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. The Department may, in its discretion, contract with a vendor or with another State agency, through an intergovernmental agreement, to assist in the implementation and administration of this program; and

(4) adopt rules as may be necessary for the implementation, administration, and enforcement of this Section.

(Source: P.A. 103-102, eff. 6-16-23.)