

## **How can foreign physician register to practice medicine in Thailand**

### **A. Full Registration/License**

#### **Necessary**

1. Having obtained degree in medicine (MBBS or MD) from institute recognized by the Medical Council of Thailand. If not yet recognized see detail in A-2
2. Holding valid license to practice issued by the country of origin, not less than 5 years.
3. Passed all 3 parts of Licensing Examination conducted by Center for Medical Competency Assessment and Accreditation.
4. Acquired member of the Medical Council of Thailand. (see A-1)

#### **N.B.**

The registration fee for registration is 500 Thai baht.

### **A-1 To be member of the Medical Council of Thailand**

1. Age 20 years or above.
2. Having obtained degree of certificate in medicine from medical school which is recognized by the Medical Council of Thailand from the country of origin.
3. In good standing and no Freud to profession or in bad conduct which may dishonor to the profession.
4. No legal irregularity or being sentenced by lawful order to imprisonment which will bring dishonor to the profession.
5. No mental disorder or the diseases prescribed in the Rule of the Medical Council of Thailand.

#### **N.B.**

The fee for Membership is 4,000 Thai baht.

### **A-2 Recognition Medical schools/Degree**

If training medical school of the country of origin is not recognized by The Medical Council of Thailand as listed in our website (See the list in [www.tmc.or.th](http://www.tmc.or.th)), the applicant has to submit the request form to the Secretariat Office of the Medical Council of Thailand for consideration and approval.

### **Qualification of applicant for foreign physician**

1. Hold valid license from the country of origin for at least 5 years
2. Hold valid specialist Board certification for at least 3 years

### **Process for approval**

1. The Secretariat Office will send a letter usually within a week after receiving the request to the Dean of the referred medical School to fill all details of their curriculum in the Information Sheet of Foreign Medical School or Institutes for approval based on Approval version 2013 and send back to our office together with signature of the Dean and the logo of the Medical School stamp in every pages of the document. (This process will not allow to be done by the students/graduates/or applicant)
2. The Sub-committee on Accreditation will analyze and consider the standard and teaching process of the curriculum and give their suggestion to the Executive Board Committee of the Medical Council of Thailand for approval. The conclusion will be “approve” or “disapprove”.
3. The Medical Council of Thailand conserves the right to review and disapprove the accreditation at any time if there is any substantial change in the curriculum, the teaching method or the teaching hospitals
4. The duration of the process of 2 and 3 may take not less than 3 months up to the co-operation of the Dean of medical schools.
5. The Sub-committee on Accreditation usually sets the meeting once in every 3 months.
6. The medical school or institute that has been recognized and pass WFME standard (WFME Global Standards for Quality Improvement 2015) by its country of origin Accreditation Agency may be beneficial as a special condition for consideration.
7. In case of the result of consideration is approved, the applicant will receive personal recognition certification which will be 7 years long validity. After the personal recognition expired the applicant could request for renewal by repeating the process and paying the fee, the second personal recognition certificated will be lifelong.

### **N.B.**

- Consideration fee for accreditation is 200,000 Thai baht net per medical school.
- The fee has to be paid within 15 days after The Medical Council of Thailand has issued the acknowledgement letter to the medical school otherwise the request for accreditation will be repealed. We conserve the rights for no refunding.

**Remark: In case of the medical school has been recognized by The Medical Council of Thailand and the period of recognition is still valid, foreign physician who wants to take the examination still need to make personal recognition and pay the fee for Thai Medical Council membership at the amount of 200,000 Thai baht net.**

### **A-3 Licensing Examination (see details in [www.cmathai.org](http://www.cmathai.org))**

Part 1 Basic Medical Science	(fee = 3,000 Thai baht)
Part 2 Clinical Science	(fee = 3,000 Thai baht)
Part 3 Modify Essay Question / Long Case Examination / Objective Structure Clinical Examination	(fee = 5,000 Thai baht each)
Manual Skill	(fee = 3,000 Thai baht)

**Remark: The part 1 and part 2 of examinations are conducted in English. The part 3 is conducted in Thai. However, the applicants have to be able to acquire Thai language for each process of the application.**

**Requirement for each part:** Valid license issued from the country of origin.  
The license has to be approved by the Sub-committee on Administration

**Validity of each part exam result:** 7 years

### **B. Temporary Permission/Registration**

1. Obtained valid license to practice issued by the country of origin not less than 5 years.
2. Obtained Specialty/Sub-specialty Board Certification issued by the country of origin. General medical practitioner (non-specialist) will be considered in details by the Executive Board Committee of the Medical council of Thailand.
3. Work in specific place(s) and condition(s) (e.g. research, new-medical technology demonstration, humanitarian or other conditions) will need to be prior approved by the Executive Board Committee of the Medical council of Thailand.
4. Work under control of the doctor(s) who have fully registered with The Medical Council of Thailand will also need prior notification and received approval from the Medical Council of Thailand.
5. **The application has to be submitted by the Director of the government organization/hospital. We do not accept any application from the individual doctor.**
6. Permission period is not more than 1 year, with renewable.

**N.B.**

7. The duration of the process will need not less than 1 month after receiving the application form and all required documents from the director of the government.
8. Practicing medicine before the permission of The Medical Council of Thailand is illegal.
9. **Fee of Permission:** 30,000 Thai Baht each year.