

Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services

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NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE EXAMINING BOARD

LIMITED SCOPE AND NATUROPATHIC DOCTOR APPLICATION INFORMATION

Find license exceptions and use of titles information in [Wis. Stat. § 466.02](#).

THERE ARE TWO LICENSE TYPES.

- **Limited-Scope Naturopathic Doctor** – Applicant must have been continually practicing naturopathic medicine in Wisconsin for at least the 10-year period preceding the application for a license. Limited-Scope Naturopathic Doctor applications must be submitted by February 28, 2025. Applications will not be accepted after that date ([Wis. Stat. § 466.04\(2\)\(c\)](#)). **See page ii for Limited-Scope Naturopathic Doctor license requirements.**
- **Naturopathic Doctor** – **License requirements are below.**

NATUROPATHIC DOCTOR – LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS ([Wis. Stat. § 466.04\(1\)](#))

1. Apply and pay fee(s) in [LicensE](#). If needed, you can save your application and complete and submit it later.
2. *Education requirements can be satisfied by **one** of the following: (Click links for details.)
 - a. Completion of a naturopathic medical education program offered in the U.S. fulfilling requirements under [Wis. Stat. § 466.04\(1\)\(d\)1](#).
 - b. Completion of a program at a diploma-granting, degree-equivalent institution of higher education located in Canada fulfilling requirements under [Wis. Stat. § 466.04\(1\)\(d\)2](#).
 - c. Completion of a program at a U.S. degree-granting institution fulfilling requirements under [Wis. Stat. § 466.04\(1\)\(d\)3](#).
 - d. Completion of a program at a diploma-granting, degree-equivalent institution of higher education located in Canada fulfilling requirements under [Wis. Stat. § 466.04\(1\)\(d\)4](#).
3. Examinations (a, b, **and** c are required)
 - a. Item “a” can be satisfied by either i **or** ii.
 - i. Part I Biomedical Science Examination and Part II Core Clinical Science Examination of the Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Examinations (NPLEX), **or**
 - ii. For graduates of approved naturopathic medical programs prior to 1978, a competency-based state naturopathic medicine licensing exam or equivalent Canadian provincial licensing exam for the practice of naturopathic medicine approved by the Board.
 - b. Part II Core Clinical Science Examination of the NPLEX for the pharmacology exam (required).
 - c. **A signed statement by the applicant committing to complete a jurisprudence exam approved by the Board before the end of the first renewal period. The passing score is 85 percent (required). Submit statement within [LicensE](#) when completing your application. (The renewal date is January 1 of each odd-numbered year.)

Note: In some instances, additional documentation or an Oral Examination may be required. Such requests are populated in your Due Diligence list.

*Transcripts must be submitted by your school or program directly to the Department. The school or program may email verification directly to DSMSCREDHealthCred@wisconsin.gov. If a school or program is closed, contact the custodian of records for the school or program. The accrediting body or the Educational Approval Board or Program (in the state where your education was obtained) may be able to assist. For schools or programs in Wisconsin contact the Educational Approval Program (EAP) at DSPEAP@wisconsin.gov or (608) 266-2112, ext. 8. If all efforts fail, upload a statement detailing your attempts to obtain transcripts and any available documents.

**The Wisconsin Jurisprudence Exam access is anticipated in June 2024. When available, jurisprudence exam information will be emailed to you.

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LIMITED-SCOPE NATUROPATHIC DOCTOR – LICENSE REQUIREMENTS ([Wis. Stat. § 466.04\(2\)](#))

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1. Apply and pay fee(s) in [LicenseE](#). If needed, you can save your application and complete and submit it later.
2. Applicant has been continually practicing naturopathic medicine in Wisconsin for at least the 10-year period preceding the application for a license.
3. *Evidence of completion of a naturopathic health care program prior to 2013 offered in the U.S. that provided a degree of Doctor of Naturopathy.
4. Satisfy **one** of the following:
 - a. Evidence the program in Item 3 provided at least 250 hours of education in 2 or more clinical sciences.
 - b. Three options: (i) Evidence of completion in 2 or more clinical sciences at least 250 hours of education provided by the naturopathic health care program described in Item 3; (ii) a minimum of 250 hours of qualifying training subsequent to completing the naturopathic health care program described in Item 3, **or** (iii) a combination of at least 250 hours of such education and training.
 - c. You are a licensed registered nurse under [Wis. Stat. § 441.06](#) as of the date of application.
 - d. You sign a statement committing to satisfying the requirement in Item 4(b) ([Wis. Stat. § 466.04\(2\)\(b\)5.d](#)) within 5 years after issuance of your initial license. (See [Wis. Stat. § 466.04\(3\)\(b\)](#).) Submit statement within [LicenseE](#) when completing your application.
5. **A signed statement by the applicant committing to completing a Board-approved jurisprudence exam approved by the board before the end of the first renewal period. The passing score is 85 percent. Submit statement within [LicenseE](#) when completing your application. (The renewal date is January 1 of each odd-numbered year.)

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NOTE: A Limited-Scope Naturopathic Doctor license granted under [Wis. Stat. § 466.04\(2\)\(b\)](#) shall not be considered to be a Naturopathic Doctor license for purposes of the law of any other state that offers reciprocal licensure or licensure by endorsement in that other state to individuals who are licensed in this state ([Wis. Stat. § 466.04\(2\)\(d\)](#)).