

Acronyms and Website Links

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Acronym/Full Name	Comments
<u>DEA</u> Federal Drug Enforcement Administration	Licensed physicians who prescribe controlled substances must complete a DEA registration. Pursue this only after a medical license is issued.
<u>DSPS</u> Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services	Umbrella Agency; provides administrative services to various professional boards. Within the DSPS, the Bureau of Health Professionals provides administrative services to the Medical Examining Board (MEB). Phone: 608-266-2112
<u>ECFMG</u> Education Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates	Through its program of certification, ECFMG assesses the readiness of international medical graduates to enter residency or fellowship programs in the United States that are accredited by the ACGME.
<u>FCVS</u> Federation Credentialing Verification Service (FCVS)	Applicants who complete the verification process can establish a permanent, lifetime portfolio of primary-source verified credentials. It allows easy access to your medical credentials. There is a charge for this service. See the website for more information.
<u>FSMB</u> Federation of State Medical Boards	FSMB is a national organization comprised of the 50 medical boards of the United States.
<u>MEB</u> Wisconsin Medical Examining Board	The MEB licenses, certifies and regulates physicians.
<u>NBME</u> National Board of Medical Examiners	For those who took National Boards Parts I, II and III administered by NBME.
<u>NBOME</u> National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners	The NBOME is a not-for-profit corporation dedicated to serving the public and state licensing agencies by administering examinations testing the medical knowledge of those who seek to serve the public as osteopathic physicians. Only those who took COMLEX Level 1, 2CE 2PE, & 3 need to pursue this. Obtain "Transcript Request" form. Have COMLEX scores sent directly to MEB.

REL
Resident Educational License
(Replaces TEP effective april
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Under direction of a person licensed to practice medicine, the REL holder may perform services requisite to their training program.