

Category	Requirements for eligibility for the Competent Authority Pathway
Category A	UNITED KINGDOM General Medical Council (GMC)
	Successful completion of the Professional and Linguistic Assessments Board (PLAB) test since 1975, AND: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • successful completion of the Foundation Year 1 in the United Kingdom, or • 12 months supervised training (internship equivalent) in the United Kingdom.
Category B	UNITED KINGDOM General Medical Council (GMC)
	Graduate of a United Kingdom medical program quality assured by the General Medical Council, and for courses conducted wholly or partially outside the UK, on a list published on the Medical Board of Australia's website, AND: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • successful completion of the Foundation Year 1 in the United Kingdom, or • 12 months supervised training (internship equivalent) in the United Kingdom.
Category C	CANADA Medical Council of Canada (MCC)
	Successful completion of the licentiate examinations of the Medical Council of Canada (LMCC) since 1992, AND: 12 months postgraduate education or residency training in Canada NOTE: This period of practice can be undertaken as part of the LMCC, or separately.
Category D	UNITED STATES Education Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG)
	Successful completion of the United States Medical Licensing Examination Step 1, Step 2 and Step 3 since 1992, AND Successful completion of a minimum of two years of graduate medical education within a residency program accredited by the Accreditation Council of Graduate Medical Education. OR Successful completion of the National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME) licensing examinations Part I, II and III before 1992, AND Successful completion of a minimum of two years of graduate medical education within a residency program accredited by the Accreditation Council of Graduate Medical Education.
Category E	NEW ZEALAND Medical Council of New Zealand (MCNZ)
	Successful completion of the New Zealand Registration Examination, AND Successful completion of the required rotating internship (four runs accredited by the MCNZ).
Category F	IRELAND Medical Council of Ireland (MCI)
	Graduate of a program of basic medical education and training accredited and approved by the Medical Council of Ireland, and for courses conducted wholly or partially outside Ireland, on a list published on the Medical Board of Australia's website, AND Successful completion of an internship in Ireland (Certificate of experience).

Notes:

1. Eligibility for the competent authority pathway requires both a qualification (Category B and F) or assessment (Category A, C, D, E) component AND the prescribed post-examination or post-training experience. Applicants are not eligible for the competent authority pathway unless they have also completed the prescribed post-examination or post-training experience.
2. Experience in another competent authority country can be substituted for the post-examination or post-training experience, for the purposes of meeting the criteria for eligibility for the Competent Authority pathway.

The Board will accept an application based on completion of a medical program or assessment from one category and the experience component from another category. Where an applicant has completed the experience component from a different category, the experience component completed must be exactly as defined in that category¹ and approved by the competent authority of the country in which it was completed.

For example:

- Completion of the LMCC (Category C) AND 12 months supervised training (internship equivalent) in the UK (Category A or B). In this case, the experience component is approved by the General Medical Council in the UK, not by the Medical Council of Canada.
 - Completion of the LMCC (Category C) AND Successful completion of a minimum of two years of graduate medical education within a residency program accredited by the Accreditation Council of Graduate Medical Education.
3. Australian clinical experience can be substituted for the post-examination or post training experience, for the purposes of meeting the criteria for eligibility for the Competent Authority pathway.

This period of practice in Australia may also be accepted as meeting the requirements for the 12-month period of supervised practice which is required to gain general registration via the Competent Authority pathway.

¹ The experience component in Category D (USA) is two years.