

(2) Be at least 18 years old;

(3) Demonstrate competence in performing acupuncture by meeting one of the following standards for education or training:

(i) Graduation from a course of training of at least 1,800 hours IN ACUPUNCTURE, including 300 clinical hours, that is:

1. Approved by the Maryland Higher Education Commission;

2. Accredited by the [National Accreditation Commission for Schools and Colleges of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine] ACCREDITATION COMMISSION FOR ACUPUNCTURE AND ORIENTAL MEDICINE; or

3. Found by the Board to be equivalent to a course approved by the [National Accreditation Commission for Schools and Colleges of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine] ACCREDITATION COMMISSION FOR ACUPUNCTURE AND ORIENTAL MEDICINE; or

(ii) Achievement of a [passing score on an examination that is]:

1. [Given by the National Commission for the Certification of Acupuncturists] DIPLOMATE IN ACUPUNCTURE FROM THE NATIONAL CERTIFICATION COMMISSION FOR ACUPUNCTURE AND ORIENTAL MEDICINE; or

2. [Determined] PASSING SCORE ON AN EXAMINATION THAT IS DETERMINED by the Board to be equivalent to the examination given by the [National Commission for the Certification of Acupuncturists] NATIONAL CERTIFICATION COMMISSION FOR ACUPUNCTURE AND ORIENTAL MEDICINE;

(4) Demonstrate the ability to communicate in the English language; and

(5) Meet any other qualifications that the Board establishes in regulations.

1A-502.

Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the MARYLAND Program Evaluation Act, this title and all rules and regulations adopted under this title shall terminate and be of no effect after July 1, [2005] 2015.

Article - State Government

8-403.

(a) On or before December 15 of the 2nd year before the evaluation date of a governmental activity or unit, the Legislative Policy Committee, based on a preliminary evaluation, may waive as unnecessary the evaluation required under this section.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (a) of this section, on or before the evaluation date for the following governmental activities or units, an evaluation shall be made of the following governmental activities or units and the statutes and regulations that relate to the governmental activities or units: