Article - State Government

Section 8-403(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

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BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

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Section 8-403(b)(1)

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Health Occupations

1A-302.

- (a) To qualify for a license, an applicant shall be an individual who meets the requirements of this section.
 - (b) The applicant shall:
 - (1) Be of good moral character;
 - (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