California Licensing Process for Foreign-Educated Nurses

Overview

RN Exam Application

Request for Transcripts
- FROM Your School of Nursing
- TO California State Board of Nursing

Education Meets Requirements
- Sign-up for NCLEX Exam

Education Does Not Meet Requirements
- Deficiencies Identified
  - Take Additional Coursework
  - Submit Fulfilled Requirements to the Board

Interim Permit Application (optional)
- TOEFL*

Transcripts Evaluated by California State Board
- Translate Transcripts to English

NCLEX EXAM

License to Practice as a Registered Nurse
CONFIRMED

* TOEFL PASS scores do not have to be submitted with initial application. TOEFL is only required if an applicant is requesting an interim permit and their nursing education was not taught in English.

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