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To	<ul style="list-style-type: none">All Healthcare Practitioners in the State of QatarAll Healthcare Facilities/ focal points in the state of Qatar (Government and Private Sector)
Subject	List of qualifying exams that are exempt from the qualifying exam (Prometric) required for licensing purposes in the state of Qatar
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Greetings from the Department of Healthcare Professions (DHP)

As part of the Department of Healthcare Professions’ ongoing commitment to align with international best practices, enhance reliance on globally trained healthcare professionals, and ensure the competence and preparedness of practitioners within Qatar’s healthcare sector, all healthcare practitioners are required to successfully pass the Prometric licensing examination. This examination constitutes a key requirement for obtaining licensure as a Healthcare Professional from the Department of Healthcare Professions.

DHP hereby announce the List of qualifying exams that can exempt applicants from the State of Qatar’s qualifying exam (Prometric) as follows:

A. Physicians (General Practitioners):

	Name of the Exam
1	The International Foundation of Medicine (IFOM) Clinical Science Exam (CSE)
2	United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE, Step 2)
3	The Professional and Linguistic Assessments Board (PLAB) Part 1
4	The Medical Council of Canada Qualifying Examination (MCCQE) Part 1
5	The Australian Medical Council (AMC) Multiple Choice Question (MCQ)
6	MRCGP (Membership of the Royal College of General Practitioners) Part 1 Applied Knowledge Test (AKT)
7	The Pre-Registration Examination System (PRES - MCQ) Part 2

B. General Dentists:

	Name of the Exam
1	Documented evidence of passing NJCE –II.
2	Documented evidence of passing all parts of the National Dental Examining Board of Canada examination.
3	Registration with the Australian Dental Board for graduates of accredited dental programs in Australia.
4	Documented evidence of passing all parts of the Irish Dental Council Examination (I and II).
5	Registration with the Irish Dental Council for graduates of accredited dental programs in Ireland.
6	Documented evidence of passing all parts of the New Zealand Dental Registration Exam (NZDREX)
7	Registration with the NZ Dental Board for graduates of accredited dental programs in NZ.
8	Documented evidence of passing all parts of the Overseas Registration Exam (ORE) for non-UK graduates, this shall not be older than 5 years.

C. Pharmacists:

	Name of the Exam
1	NAPLEX: North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination
2	PEBC: Pharmacy Examining Board of Canada
3	OSPAP: The Overseas Pharmacists Assessment Program
4	OPRA: Overseas Pharmacists Readiness Assessment
5	CAOP®: Competency Assessment of Overseas

D. Nurse:

	Name of the Exam
1	NCLEX/RN: National Council Licensure Examination

E. Allied Health Professions (AHP):

	Name of the Exam
1	NBDHE: National Board Dental Hygiene Examination

NOTE:

- A. The qualifying examination must be valid.
- B. Any exam must be verified by a verification company.

No exam will be accepted without a verification report after the date 01-01-2026

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Thank you for your cooperation

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