MyIntealth Supplement to ECFMG 2024 *Information Booklet*

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About MyIntealth

MyIntealth™, which launched in mid-January 2024, is the online environment for accessing services offered by Intealth™ and its divisions, ECFMG® and FAIMER®. The result of a multi-year development effort, MyIntealth represents a dramatic upgrade in user experience for international medical students and graduates (IMGs) pursuing ECFMG Certification, their medical schools, and the U.S. graduate medical education (GME) programs where IMGs train.

MyIntealth replaced dozens of older applications, centralizing access to services and offering a consistent user experience across services. With MyIntealth, applicants for ECFMG Certification enjoy fewer logins and passwords, less data entry, and more transactions that can be completed online.

MyIntealth consists of:

- **Portal for Applicants** (such as IMGs pursuing ECFMG Certification),
- **Portal for Entities** (organizations, such as medical schools and U.S. GME programs) and
- **Related Web-based Applications** (for certain services, such as the Pathways application).

For more information on MyIntealth, how to access the MyIntealth Applicant Portal, and additional resources, please visit the [Online Services Overview](#).

Establishing a MyIntealth Account

A MyIntealth account is required to apply for any of our services, including ECFMG Certification. Applicants will be issued a MyIntealth ID once they establish their MyIntealth account and should always provide their MyIntealth ID when contacting us for assistance.

Once you have a MyIntealth account, you can begin or continue your pursuit of ECFMG Certification.

- **New Applicants.** If you never used ECFMG's former Online Services (for example, IWA or OASIS), you must establish a MyIntealth account before requesting services related to ECFMG Certification.

- **Existing Applicants.** If you used ECFMG's former Online Services (for example, IWA or OASIS), your account information has been transferred to MyIntealth. Due to changes in the processes for requesting some services, applicants may be required to repeat certain parts of an application/request process, such as resubmitting medical education credentials or completing our identity verification process. These changes in process are outlined below. When you log into MyIntealth, you will have the opportunity to complete any steps required to access our services.

Information for new and existing applicants on how to access MyIntealth is available in the Online Services Overview.

Fees & Payment

In determining our fees, we prioritize affordability and strive to keep costs for applicants as low as possible. For 2024, we have once again decided not to increase the Intealth fees that applicants pay for our services. Please note that some of our fees include costs that we collect on behalf of and pay to third parties. Increases in third-party fees may be reflected in the fees we charge.

As outlined in this Supplement, some of the processes for requesting our services changed with the introduction of MyIntealth. The structure of some fees changed to align with these new processes in MyIntealth. Please visit the Fees Overview for more information on the fees related to ECFMG Certification and to Payment for our current payment policies.

Additional Resources

Please visit the Online Services Overview to learn more about MyIntealth and to access the MyIntealth Applicant User Guide and other resources.

About this Supplement

The launch of MyIntealth resulted in changes to some of the policies and procedures described in the ECFMG *Information Booklet*, which is required reading for medical students and graduates who apply for ECFMG Certification. This Supplement provides an overview of the most significant changes and is intended to be used in conjunction with the ECFMG 2024 *Information Booklet*. The ECFMG 2024 *Information Booklet* is available in HTML format, for online viewing, and in PDF format, for downloading or printing.

What Changed? – Overview

The following is a high-level overview of changes to the information in the ECFMG 2024 *Information Booklet* resulting from the implementation of MyIntealth. Applicants:

- Must have a MyIntealth account in order to request services related to ECFMG Certification.
- Use MyIntealth to access all services. MyIntealth replaced most of our web-based applications and many of our paper-based forms.
- Use their email address as their user ID to access MyIntealth.

- Are issued a MyIntealth ID and should always provide their MyIntealth ID when contacting us for assistance.
- Complete our identity verification requirements when they establish a MyIntealth account, instead of when completing the Application for ECFMG Certification. The *Certification of Identification Form* (Form 186) has been replaced by the *Intealth Identification Form* (IIF).
- Will be issued a USMLE ID after they complete the Application for ECFMG Certification and after it is accepted by ECFMG. Applicants do not need to request a USMLE ID, and they do not need a USMLE ID to submit the Application for ECFMG Certification.
- Must provide their medical education credentials when they complete the Application for ECFMG Certification, instead of when applying for examination. Medical education credentials must be verified and accepted by ECFMG before an applicant can apply for examination. If information about an applicant's medical education or status as a student or graduate changes, the applicant must update the Application for ECFMG Certification.
- Must upload copies of all required documents, such as medical education credentials, in MyIntealth. Copies of documents sent by mail, courier, or email will no longer be accepted.

What Changed? – Summary by Chapter

The following provides a more detailed summary of changes to the ECFMG 2024 *Information Booklet*, by chapter. If information has changed, the relevant chapter is listed with its location in both the HTML and PDF versions of the ECFMG 2024 *Information Booklet* and the new information is provided.

INTRODUCTION

HTML: Guide to On-line Services and Forms / PDF: page 5

- MyIntealth has replaced the following online services: Interactive Web Applications (IWA), ECFMG Credentials Upload Tool, and the On-line Applicant Status and Information System (OASIS).
- The Application for Pathways for ECFMG Certification for Match has been incorporated into MyIntealth and can be accessed at www.myintealth.app.
- MyIntealth replaced all of the forms listed in this chapter. Applicants can submit these requests online in the MyIntealth Applicant Portal.
- Applicants must upload copies of their final medical diploma and all other credentials and documents in MyIntealth. Copies of these documents sent by mail, courier, or email will no longer be accepted.

ECFMG CERTIFICATION

HTML: Requirements for ECFMG Certification / PDF: page 9

- When completing the Application for ECFMG Certification in MyIntealth, applicants provide detailed information about their medical education and upload copies of medical education credentials, as described below.
  - Students must upload transcript(s) to document transfer credits, if applicable.

- o Graduates must upload their final medical diploma and, if applicable, transcript(s) to document transfer credits.
- The *Certification of Identification Form* (Form 186) has been discontinued. Applicants verify their identity when they establish their MyIntealth account using the *Intealth Identification Form* (IIF).

HTML: Standard ECFMG Certificate / PDF: page 11

- The MyIntealth ID has replaced the Certificate Number on the certificate.
- The certificate expiration date is based on the Pathways season in which the applicant's Pathways application was completed and accepted as meeting the clinical and communication skills requirements for ECFMG Certification. See Information on Expiration of the ECFMG Certificate.

YOUR RECORD

HTML: USMLE/ECFMG Identification Number / PDF: page 12

- The USMLE/ECFMG Identification Number is now called the USMLE ID.
- Applicants are issued a USMLE ID after they complete the Application for ECFMG Certification and it is accepted by ECFMG. Applicants do not need to request a USMLE ID, and they do not need a USMLE ID to submit the Application for ECFMG Certification.

HTML: Your Name / PDF: page 13

- The *Certification of Identification Form* (Form 186) has been replaced by the *Intealth Identification Form* (IIF). If an applicant has a valid *IIF* on file with us and the applicant's name of record is changed, the *IIF* will be invalidated, and the applicant will be required to complete a new *IIF* before requesting services.

HTML: Changing Your Name / PDF: page 14

- The *Request to Change Applicant Biographic Information* form (Form 182) has been discontinued. Applicants can submit name change requests online in the MyIntealth Applicant Portal.
- The *Certification of Identification Form* (Form 186) has been replaced by the *Intealth Identification Form* (IIF). If an applicant has a valid *IIF* on file with us and the applicant's name of record is changed, the *IIF* will be invalidated, and the applicant will be required to complete a new *IIF* before requesting services.

APPLICATION FOR ECFMG CERTIFICATION

HTML: [Application for ECFMG Certification](#) / **PDF: page 22**

- When completing the Application for ECFMG Certification in MyIntealth, applicants provide detailed information about their medical education and upload copies of medical education credentials.
  - **Students** must provide transcript(s) to document transfer credits, if applicable, and these transcript(s) must be verified and accepted by ECFMG before the Application for ECFMG Certification is accepted. Once the Application for ECFMG Certification is accepted, students can apply for examination.
  - **Graduates** must provide the final medical diploma and, if applicable, transcript(s) to document transfer credits, and the graduate's medical education credentials must be verified and accepted by ECFMG before the Application for ECFMG Certification is accepted. Once the Application for ECFMG Certification is accepted, graduates can apply for examination.
- Applicants complete the identity verification process when they establish a MyIntealth account, instead of when completing the Application for ECFMG Certification. The *Certification of Identification Form* (Form 186) has been replaced by the *Intealth Identification Form* (*IIF*), which is completed and notarized as part of the MyIntealth account establishment process.
- The USMLE ID is issued after the Application for ECFMG Certification has been completed and it is accepted by ECFMG. Applicants do not need to request a USMLE ID, and they do not need a USMLE ID to submit the Application for ECFMG Certification.

ELIGIBILITY FOR EXAMINATION

HTML: [International Medical School Students](#) / **PDF: page 27**

- As soon as a student graduates and receives the medical diploma, the applicant must update the Application for ECFMG Certification and upload a copy of the final medical diploma. The applicant's medical education credentials must be verified and accepted by ECFMG before the Application for ECFMG Certification is accepted. Once the Application for ECFMG Certification is accepted, the applicant can apply for examination.
- If there are other changes to an applicant's medical education information, status, or eligibility for examination, the applicant is required to update the Application for ECFMG Certification immediately. Examples of such changes include transfer to another medical school, dismissal or withdrawal from medical school, and leave of absence from medical school.
  - Students who transfer credits to their medical school must upload a copy of transcript(s) to document these transfer credits when they update the Application for ECFMG Certification. These transcript(s) must be verified and accepted by ECFMG before the Application for ECFMG Certification is accepted. Once the Application for ECFMG Certification is accepted, students can apply for examination.
  - If a student has applied for but not yet taken an exam and transfers to another medical school, the student's exam application/registration will be rejected and the student will be required to reapply for examination based on the new medical school.

HTML: International Medical School Graduates / **PDF: page 29**

- Graduates must upload a copy of the medical diploma when they complete the Application for ECFMG Certification, instead of when applying for examination. If an applicant has graduated and met all requirements for the medical diploma but the medical diploma has not yet been issued, the applicant must upload a copy of a letter signed by an authorized official of the medical school, as described in this chapter. As soon as the diploma is issued, the applicant must upload a copy of the medical diploma by updating the Application for ECFMG Certification.
- A graduate's medical education credentials must be verified and accepted by ECFMG before the Application for ECFMG Certification is accepted. Once the Application for ECFMG Certification is accepted, the graduate can apply for examination.
- If there are changes to an applicant's medical education information, status, or eligibility for examination, the applicant is required to update the Application for ECFMG Certification immediately.
- Verification of graduate status by the medical school is no longer required at the time of exam application. Because a graduate's medical education credentials are verified and accepted by ECFMG before the graduate can apply for examination, there is no need for subsequent verification.

THE UNITED STATES MEDICAL LICENSING EXAMINATION (USMLE)

HTML: Applying for Examination / **PDF: page 34**

- The prerequisites for applying for examination changed with the launch of MyIntealth. Before applying for examination in MyIntealth:
  - IMGs must submit an Application for ECFMG Certification, including submission of any required medical education credentials. As noted above, the *Certification of Identification Form* (Form 186) has been discontinued and is no longer a requirement for completing the Application for ECFMG Certification.
  - Medical education credentials must be verified and accepted by ECFMG.
  - ECFMG must accept the Application for ECFMG Certification.
  - IMGs must read the applicable editions of the ECFMG *Information Booklet* and the USMLE *Bulletin of Information*.
- Applicants should read the overview of the application for examination available in MyIntealth before beginning the exam application. The overview will help applicants plan the timing of the application and outline any necessary items that require advance planning.
- The *Request to Change USMLE® Step 1/Step 2 CK Testing Region* form (Form 312) has been discontinued. Applicants can submit a request to change their testing region online in the MyIntealth Applicant Portal.

HTML: Scheduling the Examination / **PDF: page 37**

- The *Request to Change USMLE® Step 1/Step 2 CK Testing Region* form (Form 312) has been discontinued. Applicants can submit a request to change their testing region online using the MyIntealth Applicant Portal.

MEDICAL EDUCATION CREDENTIALS

HTML: ECFMG Policy on Transfer Credits / PDF: page 48

- Applicants must upload copies of the following credentials, if applicable, when they complete the Application for ECFMG Certification, instead of when applying for examination:
  - Transcript(s) to document credits transferred to the medical school that awarded or will award the final medical degree.
  - Letter from the medical school that awarded or will award the medical degree confirming that the credits were transferred to the pre-medical portion of the curriculum only.

HTML: Credentials for ECFMG Certification / PDF: page 50

- Applicants must submit the credentials and other documents described in this chapter when they complete the Application for ECFMG Certification, instead of when applying for examination.
- Copies of all required documents must be uploaded in MyIntealth. Copies of documents sent by mail, courier, or email will no longer be accepted.

HTML: Final Medical Diploma and Transcript / PDF: page 52

- Applicants must submit the credentials and other documents described in this chapter when they complete the Application for ECFMG Certification, instead of when applying for examination.
- Copies of all required documents must be uploaded in MyIntealth. Copies of documents sent by mail, courier, or email will no longer be accepted.

HTML: Transcript(s) to Document Transferred Credits / PDF: page 53

- Applicants must submit the credentials and other documents described in this chapter when they complete the Application for ECFMG Certification, instead of when applying for examination.
- Copies of all required documents must be uploaded in MyIntealth. Copies of documents sent by mail, courier, or email will no longer be accepted.

HTML: Name on Medical Diploma and Transcript(s) / PDF: page 54

- Applicants must upload documentation to verify that the name on their credentials is (or was) their name, as described in this chapter, with their credentials when completing the Application for ECFMG Certification. If the documentation submitted is not acceptable, ECFMG will contact the applicant to request additional information. ECFMG cannot complete verification of an applicant's credentials until acceptable name documentation has been received. If acceptable documentation is not received, the credentials will be rejected.