

Chapter 326

(House Bill 1159)

AN ACT concerning

**State Board of Dental Examiners – University of Maryland School of Dentistry
Faculty – Qualifying for Examination**

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which a dentist who is a faculty member at the University of Maryland School of Dentistry and trained at a foreign dental school must be qualified by the State Board of Dental Examiners to take an examination offered by the American Board of Dental Examiners, Inc., or its successor organization; and generally relating to the qualifying of faculty members at the University of Maryland School of Dentistry by the State Board of Dental Examiners for examination.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 4–306.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2021 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

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

Article – Health Occupations

4–306.1.

(a) A dentist who is a faculty member at the University of Maryland School of Dentistry and was trained at a foreign dental school shall be qualified by the Board to take an examination offered by ADEX, as defined in § 4–306 of this subtitle, if the applicant:

(1) ~~(I)~~ **1.** ~~‡~~Completes training in a dental specialty recognized by the Board; **AND**

~~(2)~~ **2.** Is board certified in a dental specialty recognized by the Board; **OR**

~~(3)~~ **(II) IS A GENERAL DENTIST WHO:**

1. HAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED:

A. A GENERAL DENTAL PRACTICE RESIDENCY; OR

B. ADVANCED EDUCATION IN A GENERAL DENTISTRY PROGRAM; OR

2. IS BOARD CERTIFIED BY THE AMERICAN BOARD OF GENERAL DENTISTRY;

(2) At the time the application is made, is a full-time faculty member at the University of Maryland School of Dentistry who has completed at least 7 consecutive years as a full-time faculty member; and

~~[(4)] ~~(2)~~ **(3)** Submits to the Board a written letter of support from the University of Maryland School of Dentistry stating that the school supports the applicant to take the ADEX examination.~~

(b) If the dentist receives a passing score on the ADEX examination, the dentist may apply for a general license to practice dentistry.

(c) A dentist who applied for a general license to practice dentistry under subsection (b) of this section and was issued a general license shall surrender the license if the dentist violates any provision of this title or any regulation adopted by the Board.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2023.

Approved by the Governor, May 3, 2023.