

NEW MEXICO BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY CLINICAL SKILLS EXAMINATION

CLINICAL EXAMINER INFORMATION AND APPLICATION

The New Mexico Board of Examiners in Optometry is currently recruiting currently licensed Optometrist to assist with the annual examination as a clinical examiner.

Under its legislative authority and in the interest of public safety, the New Mexico Board of Examiners in Optometry requires licensing candidates to pass a clinical practicum examination that demonstrates their knowledge of and skill in the diagnostic and treatment techniques of optometrists.

The two-hour clinical practicum examination is conducted and recorded by two clinical examiners in a clinical setting, along with a board member. Clinical examiners are to observe the candidates and take complete notes on what is spoken, what is heard and what was done by the candidate that shows competency of optometry during the exam. The examination record is a legal document used to determine the pass or fail of the licensing candidate.

An exam day will require about twelve hours including a lunch break.

1. **REQUIREMENTS FOR CLINICAL EXAMINERS:**
 - a. Must be a licensed practitioner of Optometry for a minimum of at least five (5) years at the time of application, and have a minimum of three (3) years with New Mexico licensure.
 - b. Be willing to participate in all required training sessions.
 - c. Be willing to participate as an observer during the clinical skills exam.
 - d. Agree that any information regarding persons or procedures, whether written or oral, encountered while serving as a Clinical Examiner for the New Mexico Board of Optometry, Clinical Practicum Examination, is confidential and may not be repeated or discussed outside of the examination setting at any time during or after the examination.
 - e. Be on time to the scheduled clinical practicum examination.
2. Once trained, Clinical Examiners will receive 6 hours of continuing education for a full day examination and an additional 2 hours for a half day of examination.
3. Clinical examiners will also receive a monetary compensation fee for either a one or two-day examination. Fees paid also include mileage and overnight accommodations.

**CONFIDENTIAL CLINICAL EXAMINATION APPLICATION
FOR THE 2014 NM BOARD OF OPTOMETRY CLINICAL PRACTICUM EXAM**

Name: _____

Address: _____ City _____, Zip Code _____

Day Ph# _____ Eve Ph # _____ Cell Ph# _____

Email address: _____

Licensed since: _____ OPT # _____ exp. Date: ____ - _____

Graduated from what Optometry school _____

Located at City: _____ State _____ Country _____

What specialties do you practice: _____

Why do you want to be a clinical examiner for the NM Board of Optometry?

Are you available for the exam dates of June 8-10, 2018? Yes _____ No _____

All information is confidential. I understand and agree to the REQUIREMENTS FOR CLINICAL EXAMINERS. The information I have given is accurate and complete.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Please mail this original application form and the attached W-9 to the NM Board of Optometry at PO Box 25101, Santa Fe, NM 87505. Thank you!

For questions contact the Board Office at 476-4622, OptometryBd@state.nm.us