



From Passing to Practicing Wisconsin Act 130 | The Licensing of Naturopathic Doctors

Once naturopathic doctors are licensed in Wisconsin, it will be several years before they can fully practice to their scope due to the length of time it will take to establish a board, develop rules, and determine qualifications.

	Estimate Time
1. Establish the Naturopathic Medicine Examining Board. The members of the Board are appointed by the Governor.	Up to 12 months
2. The Board is then tasked with writing Rules based on the statutory language in the new law. The Rules determine how the bill is implemented and are bound by the bill language.	18-24 months
3. The Board, in consult with the Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS), determines the licensing examination requirements to satisfy the new law, including the pharmacy examination.	6-12 months
4. The Board, in consult with DSPS, determines the amount and timing for continuing education requirements to satisfy the new law.	6-12 months
5. The Board may determine the minimum malpractice requirements to satisfy the new law.	1-3 months
6. The Rules must be presented and approved by the Legislature.	6-9 months
7. The Board works with DSPS to create licensing applications and fees.	6-9 months
8. The Board, in consult with DSPS, creates the licensing examination.	6-12 months
9. Eligible licensees take the examination.	6 months
10. Once they pass the examination, eligible licensees apply for licensure and pay the licensing fee.	1 month
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: flex-end;"> Total Estimate 3+ Years </div>	

Only until all of these steps have been taken, will licensed Naturopathic Doctors practice with their full scope.