

Important information regarding Apprenticeship and Preceptors: Effective July 1, 2006 it is unlawful for any acupuncture apprentice to perform acupuncture, or for an acupuncturist to permit an apprentice to perform acupuncture, unless the practice occurs in an apprenticeship approved by the Director of the Office of Professional Regulation. 26 V.S.A. 3402(d)(2).

Please note that preceptors must meet NCCAOM standards. For more information please go to their website at www.nccaom.com

The 2007 laws sunset the route to licensure via apprenticeship. 26 V.S.A. § 3405(2). After December 31, 2007 Vermont law will no longer permit new apprenticeships. Those which are already in progress and meet the requirements of the current law will be permitted to continue. But note: if an apprenticeship is not completed by December 31, 2010, the apprentice will not be eligible to take the NCCAOM examination required for licensure in Vermont.

Important information for new licensees who intend to practice Chinese herbology: The 2006 amendments to the statutes require the examination in Chinese herbology for those licensed after January 1, 2007 who intend to employ nonprescription remedies and herbal therapies. Anyone licensed after that date who has not taken the examination in Chinese herbology is not permitted to employ nonprescription remedies and herbal remedies.