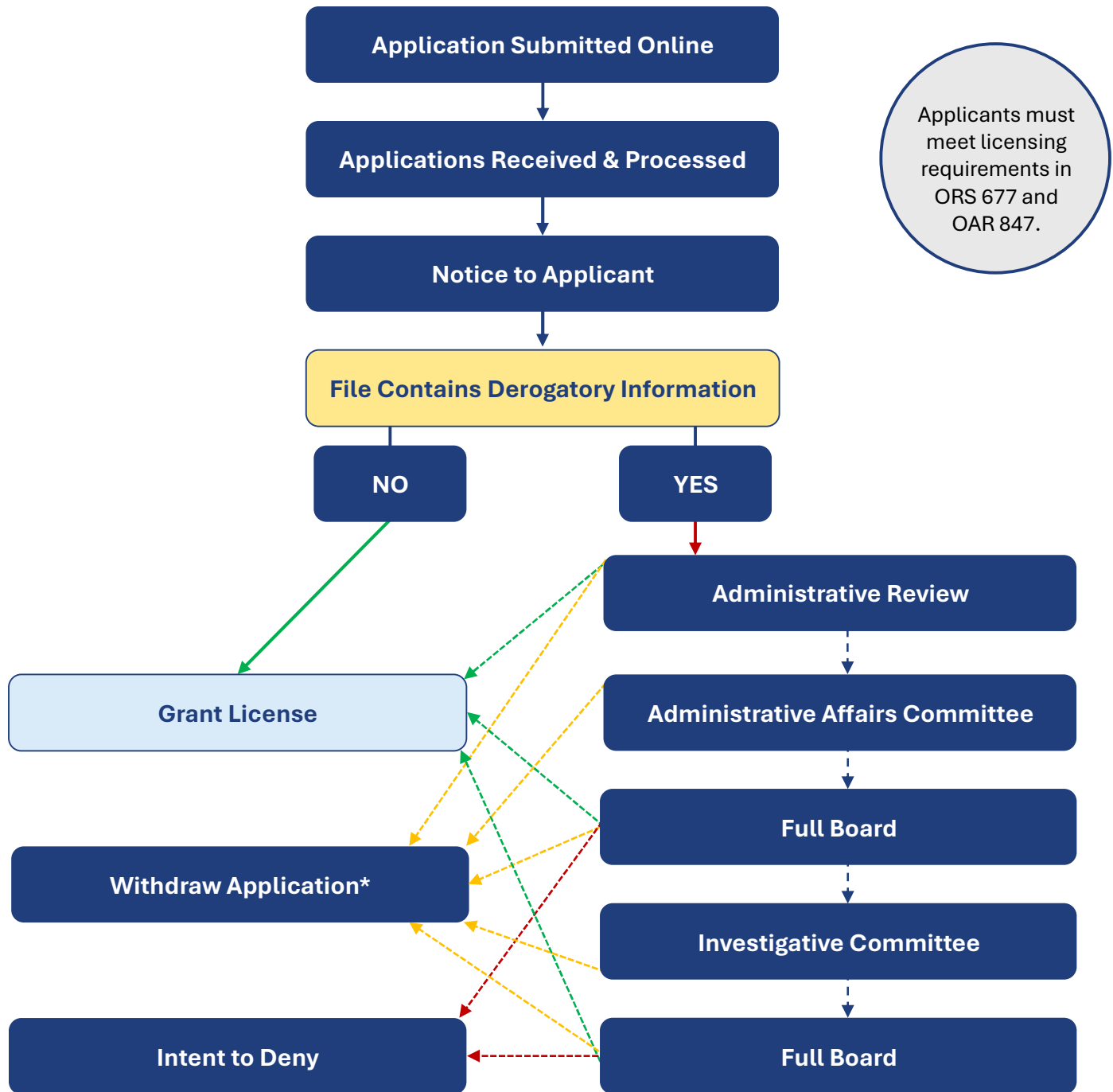




Oregon Medical Board

Licensing Process



*Withdrawal or Denial may result in a report to the national databanks.

Derogatory Information

The Board evaluates any derogatory information in a license application or license renewal. Derogatory information generally falls into one of the following categories: criminal history, educational or training issues, previous employment issues, malpractice claims, board orders or investigations from other states, and health concerns. Each application is reviewed individually and all factors are considered.

Administrative Review

The Executive Director, Licensing Manager, senior licensing staff member and, occasionally, the Medical Director review the completed application file. If the group determines that the applicant meets the qualifications for licensure and is safe to practice, the applicant will be licensed. If there are remaining questions, the applicant will be subject to further review by the Administrative Affairs Committee and full Board.

Administrative Affairs Committee

The Administrative Affairs Committee (AAC) is a sub-committee of the Board that reviews administrative issues. This AAC reviews application files with derogatory information and makes recommendations that the applicant be licensed, licensed with a Board Order placing limits or requirements on the license, interviewed by the Medical Director, allowed to withdraw, sent to the Investigative Committee for a full investigation, or denied licensure. The full Board will consider the AAC's recommendations but retains final decision-making authority. Acupuncture applicants are reviewed by the Acupuncture Advisory Committee but follow the same process.

Investigatory Committee

The Investigatory Committee (IC) is a sub-committee of the Board that investigates derogatory information in a license application or license renewal to determine the applicant's ability to safely practice in Oregon. The IC makes recommendations that the applicant be licensed, licensed with a Board Order placing limits or requirements on the license, interviewed by the Medical Director, allowed to withdraw, sent to the Investigative Committee for a full investigation, or denied licensure. The full Board will consider the IC's recommendations but retains final decision-making authority.

Full Board

The Board reviews recommendations from AAC or IC and determine whether the applicant will be licensed, licensed with a Board Order placing limits or requirements on the license, possibly allowed to withdraw, or denied licensure.