

United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE) Step 2 Clinical Skills (CS) Component

Beginning with the Class of 2005, every medical school graduate must pass the USMLE to gain licensure to practice medicine.

Subcomponents of Clinical Skills

1. **Integrated Clinical Encounters (ICE)**
 - Data gathering
 - Documentation

2. **Communication and Interpersonal Skills (CIS)**
 - Questioning skills
 - Information sharing skills
 - Professional manner and rapport

3. **Spoken English Proficiency (SEP)**
 - Pronunciation of consonants and vowels
 - Intonation/prosody
 - Voice projection
 - Word choice
 - Grammar/syntax.