

**Q: Are there differences in licensure or scope of practice between MDs and DOs?**

**A:** No. MDs and DOs have the same license and scope of practice. Both: have undergraduate degrees, graduated from medical school and have post-graduate training;

- are licensed by the state to diagnose, treat and perform surgery;
- are able to prescribe medicine;
- may pursue a specialty (two or more years of further education/training);