

Overview of Oriental Medicine Regulation in US States

	Certification or licensure for acupuncturists	Within scope of practice for physicians	Within scope of practice for chiropractors	Within scope of practice for dentists	Within scope of practice for podiatrists	Within scope of practice for naturopaths
Alabama	No	Yes	Yes* 100h	+	+	+
Alaska	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Arizona ++	Yes	Yes	Yes* 50h	+	+	Yes
Arkansas	Yes	+	Yes* 100h	+	+	+
California	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	+
Colorado	Yes	Yes	Yes* 100h	+	+	+
Connecticut ++ 	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Delaware	No	Yes	+	+	+	+
District of Columbia	Yes	Yes* 250h	No	No	No	+
Florida	Yes	Yes	Yes* 100h	No	No	+
Georgia	No	Yes* 100h	No	No	No	+
Hawaii	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Idaho	+	+	+	+	+	+
Illinois	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	+
Indiana	No	Yes	No	+	+	+
Iowa	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	+	+
Kansas ++	No	Yes	Yes	+	+	+
Kentucky	No	Yes	No	+	+	+
Louisiana	Yes \$	Yes* 6mo	No	+	No	+
Maine ++ 	Yes	Yes	Yes* 100h	+	+	Yes*
Maryland	Yes	Yes* 200h	No	Yes	+	+
Massachusetts	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	+
Michigan ++ 	No	Yes	No	+	No	+
Minnesota	Yes	Yes	Yes* 100h	+	+	+
Mississippi	No	Yes	No	Yes	+	+
Missouri	Yes\$	Yes	Yes* 100h	+	+	+
Montana	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Nebraska	No	Yes	No	+	No	+
Nevada	Yes	Yes	No	+	Yes	+
New Hampshire	Yes	Yes	Yes	+	+	Yes*
New Jersey	Yes	Yes* 300h	No	Yes* 300h	No	+
New Mexico	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	+
New York	Yes	Yes* 300h	No	Yes* 300h	No	+

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North Carolina	Yes	Yes*	Yes* 100h	No	No	+
North Dakota	No	Yes	Yes* 100h	+	+	+
Ohio	No	Yes*	No	No	No	+
Oklahoma	No	Yes	Yes*	+	+	+
Oregon	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No
Pennsylvania	Yes	Yes* 200h	No	No	No	+
Rhode Island	Yes	No	No	No	No	+
South Carolina	Yes\$	Yes*	No	Yes*	Yes*	+
South Dakota	No	+	Yes* 400n	+	+	+
Tennessee ++ 	No	Yes	No	+	+	+
Texas	Yes	Yes	Yes* 100h	+	+	+
Utah	Yes	Yes	Yes*	No	No	Yes
Vermont	Yes	No	No	+	+	Yes
Virginia	Yes	Yes* 200h	Yes* 200h	+	+	+
Washington	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No
West Virginia 	Yes	Yes	Yes* 100h	+	+	+
Wisconsin	Yes	Yes	No	+	+	+
Wyoming	No	+	+	+	+	+

* Additional training and sometimes an exam are required.
+ State regulatory agency has not provided a ruling.
++ Physician's assistant may practice under supervision.
\$ Acupuncture can only be practiced under supervision of physician or other certificated health professional.
|| Nurse may practice under supervision.

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LIST OF STATES WITH STATUTES, REGULATIONS, AND BILLS IN PROGRESS

Jurisdictions With Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Statutes					
	Initial St.	Modified St.		Initial St.	Modified St.
Alaska	1990		Nebraska*		
Arizona	1998		Nevada#	1973	
Arkansas			New Hampshire		
California	1976		New Jersey	1983	
Colorado	1989		New Mexico	1981	
Connecticut	1995		New York	1991	
DC	1989		North Carolina	1993	
Florida	1981		Ohio*		
Georgia			Oregon	1973	

Hawaii	1974	Pennsylvania\$	
Idaho		Rhode Island	1978
Illinois	1997	South Carolina	1974
Indiana*		Tennessee*	
Iowa	1993	Texas	1993
Louisiana\$	1975	Utah	1983
Maine	1987	Vermont	1985
Maryland	1973	Virginia	1993
Massachusetts		Washington	1985
Minnesota	1995	West Virginia	1996
Missouri*	1998	Wisconsin	1989
Montana	1974		

\$ no exam * no license # own exam

States That Allow Practice Through a Ruling by the Board of Medical Examiners

Kansas
Michigan

States in Which Legislation Has Been Introduced

Alabama	Oklahoma
Kentucky	Wyoming
Michigan	

States In Which There Is No Legislation or Rule Authorizing Practice by Licensed Acupuncturists

Delaware	North Dakota
Mississippi	South Dakota

Source: http://www.energetique.net/legal/0_history.htm