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FOREIGN MEDICAL GRADUATE (FMG) TASK FORCE

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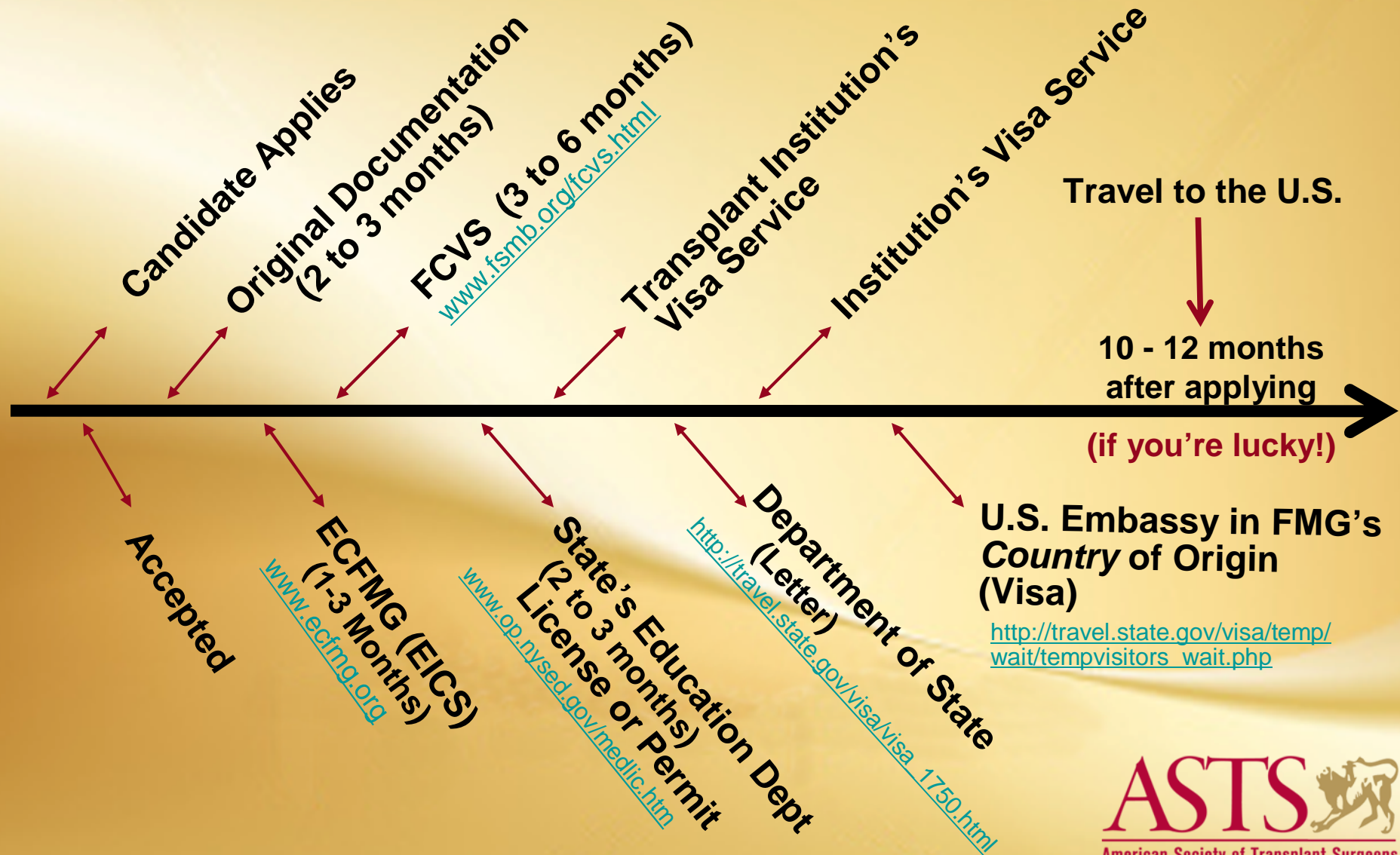
FMG TASK FORCE

- Appointed to evaluate special issues regarding Foreign Medical Graduates (FMGs)
- 2008 Match: 28 Foreign Medical Graduates & 25 US Medical Graduates
- FMGs make up >50% of our fellows

FOREIGN MEDICAL GRADUATES

The current process to place an FMG with a U.S. Transplant Center is lengthy, frustrating, **and may lead to delays.**

Sample Process Timeline



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Federation Credentials Verification Service (FCVS)

FCVS was established in September 1996 to provide a centralized, uniform process for state medical boards to obtain a verified, primary source record of a physician's core medical credentials.

This service is designed to lighten the workload of credentialing staff and reduce duplication of effort by gathering, verifying and permanently storing the physician's and/or physician assistant's credentials in a central repository at the FSMB's offices.

FCVS obtains primary source verification of medical education, postgraduate training, examination history, board action history, board certification and identity. This repository of information allows a physician and/or physician assistant to establish a confidential, lifetime professional portfolio with FCVS which can be forwarded, at the physician's request, to any state medical board that has established an agreement with FCVS, hospital, health care or any other entity.



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For your convenience, [FedEx Kinko's](#) offers discounted services to FCVS applicants, including photocopies and passport quality photographs. Most of the documentation that you will be requested to send to FCVS can be taken to your local FedEx Kinko's location for one-

Acceptance Letters

Sample acceptance letter should contain:

“Acceptance is contingent upon completion and verification (by a credentialing body) of all documentation in a timely manner”

“It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure compliance”

“The program may release the candidate from the match for failure to comply with the above without penalty to the program”

Useful Websites:

- www.ecfmg.org
- www.fsmb.org/fcvs.html
- www.op.nysed.gov/medlic.htm
- http://travel.state.gov/visa/visa_1750.html
- http://travel.state.gov/visa/temp/wait/tempvisitors_wait.php
- www.fsmb.org/fcvs_physboards.html