



North Carolina Board of Dietetics/Nutrition

1135 Kildaire Farm Road Suite 200 • Cary, NC 27511 • (919) 388-1931 • info@ncbdn.org • www.ncbdn.org

October 20, 2025

Virginia Barlow
Joint Legislative Administrative Procedure Oversight Committee (APO)
P.O. Box 629
Raleigh, NC 27601

Dear Ms. Barlow:

In accordance with North Carolina General Statute 93B-2(a) & (b), the North Carolina Board of Dietetics/Nutrition submits this Annual Report along with the attached Financial Report for the fiscal year 2024-2025. If you have any questions regarding either report or need further elaboration on the activities of the Board, please do not hesitate to contact the Board office at (919) 678-7609.

Annual Report for fiscal year July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025:

(1) The address of the board, and the names of its members and officers:

ADDRESS: North Carolina Board of Dietetics/Nutrition (NCBDN)
1135 Kildaire Farm Road, Suite 200
Cary, NC 27511

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Sarah Thomas, JD	Public Member	Chair	July 2024 – June 2025
Margaret King, MS, CNS, LN	Professional Member; Consulting	Vice Chair	July 2024 - June 2025
Christie Nicholson, MS, RDN, LDN	Professional Member, Clinical	Treasurer	July 2024 – June 2025
Patricia Pitts, MS, RDN, LDN	Professional Member, Consulting	Secretary	July 2024 – June 2025
Janice Shannon, MS, CNS, LN	Professional Member		July 2024 – June 2025
Deanna Didiano, DO	Public Member, Physician Member		July 2024 – June 2025
Babbi Hawkins, MS, RD, LDN	Professional Member, Education		July 2024 - June 2025

(1a) The total number of licensees supervised by the Board:

- 4695 (Category A Licensees, Category F Licensees & Provisional Licensees)

(2) The number of persons who applied to the board for examination:

- 0

(3) The number of persons who were refused examination:

- 0

(4) The number who took the examination:

- 0

(5) The number to whom initial licenses were issued:

- 743 (includes Category A initials, Category F initials, Category B initials (current and transitioned), Upgrades from B to A licensure, and Reinstatements)

(5a) The number who failed examination:

- 0

(6) The number who applied for license by reciprocity or comity:

- 0

(7) The number who were granted licenses by reciprocity or comity:

- 0

(7a) The number of official complaints received involving licensed and unlicensed activities.

- 6

(7b) The number of disciplinary actions taken against licensees, or other actions taken against non-licensees, including injunctive relief:

- 1

(8) The number of licenses suspended or revoked:

- 1

(9) The number of licenses terminated for any reason other than failure to pay the required renewal fee:

- 0

(9a) The number of applicants for a license and, of that number, the number granted a license.

- **775** applicants for a license in fiscal year 2024-2025 (includes initial Category A, initial Category F, initial Category B (current and transitioned), Reinstatements, and Upgrades to full licensure)
- Of those that applied in fiscal year 2024-2025, **668** (includes initial Category A, initial Category F, initial Category B (current and transitioned), Reinstatements, and Upgrades to full licensure) were granted a license within the fiscal year

(9b) The number of applicants with a conviction record and, of that number, the number granted a license, denied a license for any reason, and denied a license because of a conviction.

- 8 applicants with a conviction record
- Of that number, 7 granted a license, and 1 granted a license in the following fiscal year.
- 0 applicants with a conviction record denied a license for any reason
- 0 applicants with a conviction record denied a license because of a conviction.

(9c) The number of applicants who are **active-duty military or military veterans**, the number granted a license, the number denied a license for any reason, and a summary of the reasons for denial. The information provided in accordance with this subdivision shall not disclose any identifying information of any applicant.

- **20 active-duty military (7) or military veteran (14)** applicants
- **20 active-duty military or military veteran** applicants granted a license.
- 0 military trained applicants denied a license for any reason

(9d) The number of applicants who are military spouses, the number granted a license, the number denied a license for any reason, and a summary of the reasons for denial.

- 27 military spouse applicants
- 26 military spouse applicants granted a license – 1 applicant still pending, not yet granted.
- 0 military spouse applicants denied a license for any reason

(10) The substance of any anticipated request by the occupational licensing board to the General Assembly to amend statutes related to the occupational licensing board:

- There are no anticipated requests by the NCBDN to the General Assembly to amend the Dietetics/Nutrition Practice Act in the coming Fiscal Year. However, the NCBDN is aware of an effort to put forward legislation in 2026 for a Dietitian Compact.

(11) The substance of any anticipated change in rules adopted by the occupational licensing board or the substance of any anticipated adoption of new rules by the occupational licensing board:

- There are no anticipated rule changes by the NCBDN in the coming Fiscal Year. However, the NCBDN will be going through the mandated Periodic Rules Review process during FY 25-26 to readopt its rules.

Respectfully submitted,



Marnie Jones
Executive Director
North Carolina Board of Dietetics/Nutrition