## North Carolina Board of Dietetics/Nutrition



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Harrison Moore Joint Legislative Administrative Procedure Oversight Committee N.C. General Assembly 300 N. Salisbury Street, Suite 545 Raleigh, NC 27603

Dear Mr. Moore:

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 2016-2017. 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, 2016 – June 30, 2017:

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

## **ADDRESS:**

North Carolina Board of Dietetics/Nutrition (NCBDN) 140 Preston Executive Drive, Suite 205-C Cary, NC 27513

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

Christie Nicholson, MS, RD, LDN	Professional Member, Consulting	Chair	July 2016 – June 2017
Shaynee Roper, RD, LDN	Professional Member, Management	Vice Chair	July 2016 – June 2017
Cathleen Ostrowski, MS, RD, LDN	Professional Member, Education	Treasurer	July 2016 – June 2017
Shelia Garner Link, MS, RD, CDE, LDN	Professional Member, Clinical	Secretary	July 2016 – June 2017
Helene Edwards, MS, RD, LDN	Professional Member, Public Health		July 2016 – June 2017
Maurene Rickards	Public Member		July 2016 – June 2017
Kayla Saunders	Public Member		October 2016 – June 2016
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CBDN Annual Repo 2016-2017 Page **1** of **3**  (1a) The total number of licensees supervised by the Board:

• 2867

(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:

• 307

(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:
  - The Board issued one consent order, which involved a letter of reprimand.
  - The Board is aware of continued pursuit of matters involving a non-licensee who has been on probation for actions related to past violations of the NC Dietetics/Nutrition Practice Act. Local prosecutors in various counties are aware of this individual and possible violations involving the NC Dietetics/Nutrition Practice Act, obtaining property by false pretenses, and identity theft. The Board's current understanding is that this individual was arrested in North Carolina, this individual was extradited to South Carolina where there was a bench warrant for this individual's arrest, and the District Attorney in Chatham County is currently seeking return of this individual to prosecute this individual there.

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- (8) The number of licenses suspended or revoked:
  - 0
- (9) The number of licenses terminated for any reason other than failure to pay the required renewal fee:
  - 0
- (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:
  - House Bill 357, which was intended to amend and modernize the NC Dietetics/Nutrition Practice Act, passed through the House in the 2017 long session, but did not make it out of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate to be heard by the Senate. The NCBDN was/is fully supportive of this Bill, and is hopeful that HB 357 may be heard and passed in the 2018 short session. Please review the attached copy of HB 357 for the substance of what this bill addresses.
- (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:
  - Although no specific language has been devised, it is anticipated, that should HB 357 be passed in the 2018 short session, many rules will need to be amended, and/or new rules adopted, in order for the NCBDN rules to be in accordance with the revised legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

Charla M. Burill Executive Director/Secretary North Carolina Board of Dietetics/Nutrition

Enclosure: Copy of HB 357

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