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North Carolina Board of Dietetics/Nutrition

Deadlines

Renewal Open:

January 1 – March 31

Late Renewal:

April 1 – May 31

License Lapse:

June 1

All License Needs:

Licensee Gateway:

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Board Officer Positions for 2022-2023

Each year, the NCBDN votes to fill the officer positions within the Board. This year's vote took place at the NCBDN's July 22, 2022 Board meeting. The NCBDN's officers for 2022-2023 are:

Chair: Amanda S. Holliday, MS, RDN, LDN

Vice Chair: Ananya Sen, MD

Treasurer: Christie Nicholson, MS, RD, LDN

Secretary: Patricia Pitts, MS, RDN, LDN

Lapsed Licensees 2022

For the third renewal season in a row, due to the ongoing disruption the Covid-19 pandemic created globally, the Board elected not to collect any late fees from licensees who renewed late. Currently, the NCBDN has 3,788 Active licensees. As we look ahead to the 2023 renewal season, we presently have 53 licensees from our 2022 renewal season who are lapsed and who have not informed the Board of their status. As it does annually, the Board attempted to contact these individuals to ensure that they were aware of their lapsed licensed status.

If you are aware of someone who allowed their license to lapse, we ask that you advise them that they should take action to relinquish their license. To relinquish a license and remain in good standing, individuals should log into the licensee gateway system, click on their lapsed license, and request **Relinquished** status under the area called "Options." If an individual is Lapsed but has retired, following these instructions to relinquish one's license is the appropriate choice. Persons not able to use the online system to Relinquish their license may write the Board via email (info@ncbdn.org) or USPS to inform the NCBDN that they wish to Relinquish.

Board Member Transitions

Amy Beros, MBA, served three years on the NCBDN as the Board's Public Member. Amy also served as the Board's Treasurer during her three-year appointment. Her insight and experience in the non-profit and financial space helped the Board immensely as it weathered the economic impact of the pandemic and worked to make sound fiscal decisions for the Board and its licensees. Amy's vacancy has been filled by newly appointed Public Board member, Sarah Thomas, JD.



Sarah Thomas, JD was appointed to the NCBDN as a Public Board Member, effective July 1, 2022. A native of Wilson, NC, Sarah graduated with honors from UNC-Chapel Hill with a BA in Journalism. She also received her law degree from UNC-Chapel Hill and was a member of Holderness Moot Court. Sarah began her law career as an attorney at the Mason and Mason law firm in Wilmington, and currently works as a Sr. Contract Specialist at PPD in Wilmington, NC.

Sarah actively volunteers her time to Teen Cancer America, and enjoys being active through tennis, wakeboarding, swimming, running, and pickleball.

Proposed Rule Changes

In 2018 the North Carolina Dietetics/Nutrition Practice Act was modernized via Session Law 2018-91. Pursuant to G.S. § 150B-21.3A(d)(2), select rules were readopted in 2019 to implement some of the changes instigated by the 2018 statutory changes. Since that time the Board's Rules Committee, in conjunction with the full Board, and other stakeholders, has been working diligently to draft amendments, repeals, and new rules to address the changes brought by Session Law 2018-91. The Board hopes these changes, if approved, will assist in streamlining processes and providing clarity to the public, licensees, and licensure applicants.

On July 15, 2022, a notice of text was published in the North Carolina Register outlining many of the Board's proposed rule changes. On August 15, 2022, a second notice of text was published in the North Carolina Register to address additional rule changes. An electronic public hearing to receive comments on both sets of rules is scheduled for September 7, 2022. Written public comments on the rules published on July 15, 2022 will be received through September 15, 2022. For the rules published on August 15, 2022, written comments will be received through October 15, 2022. Details on the proposed edits, a link to the public hearing, and instructions on submitting public comments may be found on the [Board's website](#). The Board welcomes public participation in the rule amendment and adoption process.