

# Board of Licensed Dietitians

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Friday, October 11, 2019 at 9:00 AM

Public Minutes

The October 11, 2019 meeting of the Board of Licensed Dietitians (the “Board”) convened at 9:04 a.m. at the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification, Room 127, 121 South Fruit St., Concord, NH with the following members present:

Jeanne Brown, RD, Chair

Lisa Prospert, RD, Member

Heather McMahon, Public Member

Dena Shields, RD, Member

Carole Palmer, RD, Member

OPLC staff:

Jon Lavalley, Board Counsel

Yvonne Marcotte, Administrator

## 1. ADMINISTRATIVE

- a. Upon motion by Dena Shields with a second by Lisa Prospert, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the August 23, 2019 meeting
- b. Board Chair Jeanne Brown will draft a notice to be posted on the NHAN website to invite members to join the board when Jeanne Brown’s term ends in December 2019.
- c. The board reviewed notes from an OPLC meeting attended by Dena Shields. OPLC may review documents required for licensure which would require a change in board rules. Regarding reciprocity, other New England states’ requirements will be researched and information will be posted on the website as determinations are made.
- d. The link for the state’s new legislative season was given to the board to assess legislation that might affect the board.

## 2. RULES - NA

## 3. PUBLIC HEARING – N/A

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## 4. QUALIFICATIONS AND LICENSURE

Upon motion by Jeanne Brown with a second by Carole Palmer, the board approved all new applications, online renewals, and reinstatements with the exception of Gina Puorro's reinstatement application.

a. New Applications (10)

EBERSTADT, Amanda

HARRIS, Kristin Lee

KENT, Louise Lambert

MURRAY, Amber

O'ROURKE, Victoria

PIERRO, Eileen Figueroa

SALERNO-SHORTT, Michelle

SPIELMAN, Patricia

VERNALI, Cara

WILSON, Staci

b. Reinstatement (5)

BROWN, Maureen

BRUNELLE, Renee

HAMLIN, Catherine

PAGE, Carey

PUERRO, Gina – no update

c. Online Renewals - 8-23-19 to 10-11-19

FALLON, Kristina

DONNELLY, Amy

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## 5. QUESTIONS

QUESTION #1 (From Jean Copeland)

- 1) Does NH have guidelines around telehealth and nutrition counseling?
- 2) Does NH have guidelines around the circumstances under which dietitians are permitted to recommend dietary supplements to their patients?

Answer: 1) If the patient is a resident of New Hampshire, the dietitian must be licensed in New Hampshire. 2) Please refer to the CDR website for scope of practice and the code of ethics (<https://www.eatrightpro.org/practice/quality-management/scope-of-practice> and <https://www.eatrightpro.org/practice/code-of-ethics/what-is-the-code-of-ethics>) regarding recommending dietary supplements to patients. Telehealth inquiries will be answered on the Board's FAQ website which is in development.

QUESTION #2 (from Haylee Shelton)

As a licensed dietitian in the state of Florida, am I legally allowed to provide my telehealth services to patients/clients residing in your state?

Answer: Yes. Please refer to the answer to Question #1 above. If the patient is a resident of New Hampshire, the dietitian must be licensed in New Hampshire.

## 6. MOTION TO COMMENCE NON-PUBLIC SESSION

At 9:40 a.m., upon motion by Acting Chair Lisa Prospert with a second by Heather McMahon, the Board voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c), RSA 91-A:3 II (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, RSA 329:18, I, RSA 329:18-a, IV, RSA 329:29, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

### [Minutes kept separately]

At 9:55 a.m., upon motion by Dena Shields, with a second by Carole Palmer, the Board unanimously voted to go out of non-public session and back into public session.

At 9:56 a.m., upon motion by Heather McMahon with a second by Dena Shields, the Board unanimously voted to withhold and seal the minutes of the preceding non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3 III, that divulgence of the information likely would affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a Board member and to render the proposed action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

At 11:10 a.m., upon motion by Jeanne Brown with a second by Heather McMahon, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.