



FROM THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF DIETETICS AND NUTRITION

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January 2020

Licensure Information:

- An individual no longer in a student/intern/practicum status preparing to enter the workforce, must remember that **a license is required before an individual is authorized to practice.**
 - **Supervised Practice Approval** – A Board approved status which allows an individual with a complete* licensure application and negative criminal background check (CBC) results the opportunity to work, while the application is in the processing phase. A Request for Supervised Practice Form must be submitted to the Board and approved before any provision of services can begin.
***A complete application means: all required forms and documents have been received, meet the requirements, and there is no positive criminal background result.**

Updated Continuing Education Information:

- An application for renewal of a license expiring on November 1, 2021, and all subsequent licensure terms, shall complete, thirty (30) continuing education units (CEU).
- Two (2) hours of CEU of the thirty (30) CEU are required in cultural competence and appropriate clinical treatment specifically for individuals who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, gender non-conforming, queer, or questioning their sexual orientation or gender identity and expression.
- All licensed health care providers in the District of Columbia are now required to complete 10% or three (3) CEU of the required total of continuing education in the public health priorities of the District as determined by the Director and published every five (5) years or less frequently as deemed appropriate. Please follow the link and refer to the identified subjects areas for the public health considerations: <https://dchealth.dc.gov/page/policy-statement-identifying-public-health-issues-continuing-education>
- Proof of successful completion shall be submitted within thirty (30) days after it is requested by the Board.
- The LGBTQ and the public health priorities CEU are also required for a reactivation and reinstatement application.



Board Information:

- **Formation of Voluntary Subcommittee:** The Board is forming a voluntary subcommittee, who will review the current laws and regulations and make recommendations to the Board as it updates its laws and regulations for dietitians. The Board welcomes the participation from practitioners working in various settings as well as other stakeholders.

TIME COMMITMENT:

- The subcommittee work will begin in April 2020 and is expected to conclude within a year.
 - The subcommittee will meet at least once a month for the next 6-12 months.
 - If selected to serve you will be notified by the Board and informed of meeting times and dates.
 - If you can make the above commitment and are interested in being considered to serve on the voluntary subcommittee, please submit a resume along with a short statement indicating the current client population you work with and why you want to participate on the committee to ashley.balma@dc.gov by February 21, 2020.
- **If you are interested in joining the Board**, please contact the Mayor's office of Talent and Appointments: <https://motaboardstheresumator.com/apply/>.
 - **The public is invited to attend the Open Session** of Board meetings, which are held the second Tuesday of every three (3) months (except August) at 9:00 a.m. at 899 North Capitol Street, NE, Second Floor, Washington, DC, 20002. View the web page at <https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/146182> for agendas and the meeting schedule.

Questions for the Board? Contact Ms. Ashley Balma, Health Licensing Specialist, at ashley.balma@dc.gov