

**§ 90-353. Creation of Board.**

- (a) The North Carolina Board of Dietetics/Nutrition is created.
- (a1) The Board shall consist of the following seven members:
  - (1) Three members shall be dietitian/nutritionists licensed under this Article.
  - (2) Two members shall be nutritionists licensed under this Article.
  - (3) One member shall be a physician licensed under Article 1 of this Chapter.
  - (4) One member shall not be licensed under this Article and shall represent the public at large.
- (b) Licensed dietitian/nutritionist and licensed nutritionist members of the Board shall meet all of the following criteria:
  - (1) Be citizens of the United States and residents of this State.
  - (2) Have practiced in the field of dietetics or nutrition for at least three years.
  - (3) Be licensed under this Article, except that the first appointed licensed nutritionists are not required to be licensed under this Article or to have practiced for three years at the time of their appointment to a first term on the Board; provided, however, that each appointed licensed nutritionist must meet all of the following criteria:
    - a. Possess the qualifications necessary for licensure under this Article.
    - b. Apply for licensure under this Article within six months of its availability.
  - (b1) The licensed physician member of the Board shall be a citizen of the United States and a resident of this State.
- (c) The member of the Board appointed from the public at large shall be a citizen of the United States and a resident of this State and shall not be any of the following:
  - (1) A dietician/nutritionist or nutritionist.
  - (2) An agent or employee of a person engaged in the profession of dietetics or nutrition.
  - (3) A licensed health care professional or enrolled in a program to become prepared to be a licensed health care professional.
  - (4) An agent or employee of a health care institution, a health care insurer, or a health care professional school.
  - (5) A member of any allied health profession or enrolled in a program to become prepared to be a member of an allied health profession.
  - (6) The spouse of an individual who is not eligible to serve as a public member of the Board. (1991, c. 668, s. 1; 2018-91, s. 3.)