

North Carolina Medical Board
License Committee Report
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Open Session

Old Business

1. USMLE/COMLEX/LMCC – 3 attempt limit

Issue: At the July Board meeting, the Licensing Committee requested the staff to contact the FSMB regarding the percentage pass rate for initial and multiple attempts for USMLE steps 1, 2, and 3 and to contact other state medical boards to determine if they have experienced more disciplinary issues with licensees who have taken multiple attempts at the USMLE.

Recommendation: Defer to licensing committee for further discussion by on data.

New Business

1. Reentry Process

Issue: Dr. Kirby has modified the NCMB Reentry Process diagram. Changes to the diagram are indicated in bold.

Recommendation: Accept proposed changes. (Kirby)

2. Misdemeanor charge or convictions that do not require Legal review.

Issue: In July 2014, the Board voted to approve and to allow the Licensing Department to process otherwise clean applications where the applicant truthfully reports one minor misdemeanor charge and/or conviction that occurred more than five years ago, and prior to professional school without the need for the application to be reviewed by the Legal Department or Senior Staff Review Committee. Additionally, these applications would not be reviewed by a Board Member. Importantly, if the applicant does not truthfully report the charge or conviction or if there are any other issues on the application, the application will still require Legal Department and/or OMD review. The Legal Department is requesting adding additional misdemeanor charges/convictions to the “applicable misdemeanors” list.

Recommendation: Add additional misdemeanor charges/convictions to the “applicable misdemeanors” list. (SSRC)

3. Amendment to rule NCAC 32B .1303 – Application for Physician License

Issue: It was recently discovered the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (ABOMS) was not included in the list of approved speciality boards in rule 21 NCAC 32B .1303.

Recommendation: Amend rule to include ABOMS to the list of approved speciality boards in 21 NCAC 32B. 1303. (SSRC)