

**ORDER DISSOLVING NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL BOARD ORDER POSTPONING  
BACKGROUND CHECK LICENSING REQUIREMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, on March 31, 2020, the North Carolina Medical Board (“Board”), as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, issued an Order postponing the licensing application background check requirements for all licenses the Board regulates until such time as it was deemed reasonable to discontinue the postponement (“March 31, 2020, Background Check Order”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has learned that applicants have adequate access to the fingerprinting and related services required to complete a background check in association with applying for licenses that the Board regulates; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the public interest for the Board to take this action; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board voted to dissolve the March 31, 2020, Background Check Order at its July 2021 meeting with an effective dissolution date of August 31, 2021.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, it is **ORDERED** that:

The March 31, 2020, Background Check Order is hereby **DISSOLVED EFFECTIVE AUGUST 31, 2021**. All persons who apply for licensure on September 1, 2021, and thereafter must meet and fulfill all licensure requirements related to background checks.

This the 16th day of July, 2021.

NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL BOARD

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Venkata Jonnalagadda, M.D.  
President

