Board of Licensed Dietitians

Diet 300, Notice #2024-149 Summary of Comments on Initial Proposal with Board Responses October 11, 2024

Background

The public hearing was held on October 11, 2024 at 9:15 a.m. No members of the public were present to provide testimony.

Public Comments

Verbal Comments:

<u>Jennifer Messer, MS, RDN, LD, President, NH Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics</u>

Diet 302.02(b) Application Forms:

Comment:

- (1) remove "and" from the end;
- (2) change "registration number" to "registered dietitian number"; and
- (3) change "(4)" to "(3)" and add a comma after "is in the affirmative"

<u>Response</u>: The Board will not make changes to (1) and (3) as (3) and (4) are being removed from the list of questions on the application. The Board will make the change to (2).

Diet 302.03 Required Supporting Materials:

<u>Comment</u>: Change "In addition to the completed application forms, the applicant shall submit or cause to be submitted to the OPLC a letter verifying the applicant's registration with the CDR, sent by CDR directly to the OPLC." to "In addition to the completed application forms, if the OPLC is unable to verify the applicant's active dietitian registration utilizing CDR's Online Credential Verification System, upon request, the applicant shall submit or cause to be submitted to the OPLC a letter verifying the applicant's registration with the CDR, sent by CDR directly to the OPLC.

Response:

Diet 303.02 Additional Qualifications:

<u>Comment</u>: With regards to the repeal of Diet 303.02. Considering PLC 326-H:12, which states that "an applicant shall be a person of good character," we seek clarification on what specific actions may lead to a denial of licensure based on a determination that an applicant does not meet the "good character" standard. Will the OPLC rely on the provisions outlined in 326-H:16, which address suspension and revocation of a license, when considering a denial, or will another section of New Hampshire law apply?

<u>Response</u>: Section Diet 303.03 is not going to be repealed but, based on the comment, changed to "Denial of Initial Registration" providing the criteria for denial.