## North Carolina

### Initial Licensure Requirements

| CDCA, CITA including periodontal portion of exam |

### Dental School(s) and Exam Administration Dates

| East Carolina University  
| CITA  
| August 26-27, 2016 (manikin and patient) |
| University of North Carolina  
| CITA  
| April 22-23, 2016 (manikin and patient) |

### License by Credential: Clinical experience requirements (years and/or hours)

Applicant has provided at least 5,000 hours of clinical care directly to patients, not including post graduate training, residency programs or an internship

### Other License by Credential Requirements

Statute § 90-36. Licensing practitioners of other states.

(a) The North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners may issue a license by credentials to an applicant who has been licensed to practice dentistry in any state or territory of the United States if the applicant produces satisfactory evidence to the Board that the applicant has the required education, training, and qualifications, is in good standing with the licensing jurisdiction, has passed satisfactory examinations of proficiency in the knowledge and practice of dentistry as determined by the Board, and meets all other requirements of this section and rules adopted by the Board. The Board may conduct examinations and interviews to test the qualifications of the applicant and may require additional information that would affect the applicant's ability to render competent dental care. The Board may, in its discretion, refuse to issue a license by credentials to an applicant who the Board determines is unfit to practice dentistry.

(b) The applicant for licensure by credentials shall be of good moral character and shall have graduated from and have a DDS or DMD degree from a program of dentistry in a school or college accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association and approved by the Board.

(c) The applicant must meet all of the following conditions:

1. Has been actively practicing dentistry, as defined in G.S. 90-29(b)(1) through (b)(9), for a minimum of five years immediately preceding the date of application.

2. Has not been the subject of final or pending disciplinary action in the Armed Forces of the United States, in any state or territory in which the applicant is or has ever been licensed to practice dentistry, or in any state or territory in which the applicant has held any other professional license.

3. Presents evidence that the applicant has no felony convictions and that the applicant has no other criminal convictions that would affect the applicant's ability to render competent dental care.

4. Has not failed an examination conducted by the North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners.

(d) The applicant for licensure by credentials shall submit an application to the North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners, the form of which shall be determined by the Board.

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(2) if the applicant is or has ever been employed as a dentist by or under contract with a federal agency, a letter certifying the applicant’s current status and disciplinary history from each federal agency where the applicant is or has been employed or under contract;
(3) a certificate of the applicant’s licensure status from the dental regulatory authority or other occupational or professional regulatory authority and a full, fair and accurate disclosure of any disciplinary action taken or investigation pending, from all licensing jurisdictions where the applicant holds or has ever held a dental license or other occupational or professional license;
(4) a report from the National Practitioner Databank;
(5) a report of any pending or final malpractice actions against the applicant verified by the malpractice insurance carrier covering the applicant. The applicant shall submit a letter of coverage history from all current and all previous malpractice insurance carriers covering the applicant;
(6) a score certification letter from a dental professional regulatory board or regional testing agency of a passing score on a clinical licensure examination substantially equivalent to the clinical licensure examination required in North Carolina by Rule .0303 of this Subchapter. The examination shall be administered by the dental professional regulatory board or a regional testing agency. The score certification letter shall:
(A) state that the examination included procedures performed on human subjects as part of the assessment of restorative clinical competencies and included evaluations in periodontics and at least three of the following subject areas:
(i) endodontics, clinical abilities testing;
(ii) amalgam preparation and restoration;
(iii) anterior composite preparation and restoration;
(iv) posterior ceramic or composite preparation and restoration;
(v) prosthetics, written or clinical abilities testing;
(vi) oral diagnosis, written or clinical abilities testing; or
(vii) oral surgery, written or clinical abilities testing; and
(B) state that licensure examinations after January 1, 1998 included:
(i) anonymity between candidates and examination graders;
(ii) standardization and calibration of graders; and
(iii) a mechanism for post exam analysis;
(7) the applicant’s passing score on the Dental National Board Part I and Part II written examination administered by the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations; and
(8) the applicant’s passing score on the licensure examination in general dentistry conducted by a regional testing agency or independent state licensure examination substantially equivalent to the clinical licensure examination required in North Carolina as set out in Subparagraph (b)(6) of this Rule.
(c) All information required shall be completed and received by the Board office as a complete package with the initial application and application fee. Incomplete applications shall be returned to the applicant.
(d) All applicants shall submit to the Board a signed release form, completed Fingerprint Record Card, and other form(s) required to perform a criminal history check at the time of the application. The forms are available at the Board office.
(e) An applicant for dental licensure by credentials must pass written examinations as set out in G.S. 90-36 and, if deemed necessary based on the applicant’s history, a clinical simulation examination administered by the Board. An applicant who fails the written examination may retake it two additional times during a one year period. The applicant shall wait at least 72 hours before attempting to retake a written examination. Individuals seeking dental licensure are strongly urged to consult with the state board of dentistry and their professional advisors for current dental licensure information.
who fail the clinical examination or do not pass the written examination after three attempts within one year may not reapply for licensure by credentials.

(f) Should the applicant reapply for licensure by credentials, an additional licensure by credentials fee shall be required at the time of each reapplication.

(g) Any license obtained through fraud or by any false representation shall be void ab initio and of no effect.