POLICY

TENNESSEE BOARD OF DIETITIANS/NUTRITIONIST CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS-APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

Any person who has applied for a license or submits a renewal application as a dietitian/nutritionist who has one or more criminal convictions may be required to appear before the Board.

Offenses relating to alcohol, drugs, or impairment may require a professional evaluation prior to licensure or licensure renewal to ensure the applicant is fit to practice as a dietitian/nutritionist. The evaluator shall be approved by the Board or Board Director prior to evaluation.

The following persons **ARE REQUIRED** to appear before the Board before any license may be issued:

- 1. Any applicant who has a felony conviction; and
- 2. Any applicant who has been convicted of a serious misdemeanor(s) within five (5) years from the date of application.

Any person who applies for a license or submits a renewal application as a dietitian/nutritionist who has a criminal conviction that directly relates to the occupation of a dietitian/nutritionist may be denied.

This policy was adopted by the Board of Dietitians/Nutritionist on March 15, 2013. This policy was amended by the Board of Dietitians/Nutritionist on March 6, 2020.

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