

Licensee Information

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License #: 200301457 **License Status:** Active **Public Action:** No
Issue Date: 11/26/2003 **Renewal Date:** 02/17/2027

Active Supervisees

Name	Type	Status	Approved
Benjamin, Anjeanette Christine	Physician Assistant	Active	08/28/2023
Cabaniss, Karen Lynn	Nurse Practitioner	Active	01/19/2025
Goodwin, Gregory Wayne	Physician Assistant	Active	12/30/2025
Herman, Carrie Chestnut	Nurse Practitioner	Active	07/11/2024
Schoenfeldt, Robin	Nurse Practitioner	Active	01/15/2025
Slager, Nicholas Jay	Nurse Practitioner	Active	06/26/2025

North Carolina Hospital Admitting Privileges

Location
VAMC

Out of State Active/Inactive Licenses

State
Louisiana

Out of Country Active/Inactive Licenses

Country
None Reported

Address

HICKORY CBOC VA MEDICAL CENTER
 2440 CENTURY PL SE
 Hickory, NC 28602
[828-431-5600](tel:828-431-5600)

Information

Days patients are seen at this practice:

Mon-Fri

Practice philosophy:

Participates in Medicare:

Yes

Accepting new Medicare patients:

Non-English languages in which office is able to provide clinical services (e.g. Hindi, Spanish):

Yes

Non-English languages in which practitioner is able to provide clinical services (e.g. Hindi, Spanish):

Participates in Medicaid:

Yes

Accepting new Medicaid patients:

Yes

Uses electronic medical records:

Yes

Medical School

School	Graduation
College of Medicine, Manila Central University Filemon D Tanchoco	1988

Post Graduate Training

"Last Year" does not necessarily mean that the licensee completed his/her training program. (In NC, a physician can be licensed without completing such a program.)

Institution	Specialty	State, Country	Training Program	Last Year
LSU Health Sciences Center	Other - Physical Medicine & Rehab	LA, US	Residency	2001
LSU Health Sciences Center	Other - Physical Medicine & Rehab	LA, US	Internship	1998

Current Board Certification and Year of Certification/Recertification

Physicians should not list non-ABMS or non-AOA specialty boards unless the board meets the criteria set forth in the NC Medical Board's Advertising and Publicity Position Statement.

Primary/Subspecialty	Year
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation	2022

Area of Practice

Area Of Practice	Primary
Pain Management	
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation	Yes

Current Membership in Medical Professional Organizations

Membership
American Academy of Pain Medicine
American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
American Medical Association
Catawba County Medical Society
International Spinal Injection Society
NC Medical Society

Honors & Awards

Honor/Award	Given By	Date
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None Reported

Public Service

Name of Clinic	Service Description	Date
None Reported		

Current Academic Appointments

Title	Institution	City, State, Country
None Reported		

Publications

Title
None Reported

Section 1: Adverse Actions

North Carolina Medical Board Public Actions

Date	Description	Link
None Reported		

Other Regulatory Board or Agency Public Actions

Date	Name of Board/Agency	Action Taken	Link
None Reported			

Health Care Institution Suspensions and Revocations

Date	Health Care Institution	Action Taken
None Reported		

Section 2: Administrative Actions

Actions listed in this section are considered non-disciplinary by the Board. In situations where administrative actions are taken, the licensee may not have met certain statutory requirements or may have failed to follow correct administrative procedures.

North Carolina Medical Board Reentry Agreement

Date	Description	Link
None Reported		

North Carolina Special Purpose Licensing Agreement

Date	Description	Link
None Reported		

Malpractice Information

Date	Description	Link
None Reported		

Incident Date	Payment Date	Area of Practice	City, State, Country	Response
None Reported				

Misdemeanor/DUI/DWI Conviction Information

Conviction Date	Conviction	Jurisdiction	Sentence
None Reported			

Felony Conviction Information

Conviction Date	Conviction	Jurisdiction	Sentence
None Reported			

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