

Licensee Information

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License #: 2009-00610 **License Status:** Active **Public Action:** Yes
Issue Date: 04/17/2009 **Renewal Date:** 08/14/2023 See: Actions-Adverse & Administrative Tab

Active Supervisees

Name	Type	Status	Approved
None Reported			

North Carolina Hospital Admitting Privileges

Location
None Reported

Out of State Active/Inactive Licenses

State
Florida
Kentucky
Michigan
Mississippi

Out of Country Active/Inactive Licenses

Country
None Reported

Address

Charlotte, NC

Information

Days patients are seen at this practice:

Practice philosophy:

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

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

Participates in Medicare:

Accepting new Medicare patients:

Participates in Medicaid:

Accepting new Medicaid patients:

Uses electronic medical records:

Medical School

School	Graduation
Indiana University School of Medicine Indianapolis	2003

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
Henry Ford Hospital	Emergency Medicine	MI, US	Residency	2006

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
Emergency Medicine	2021

Area of Practice

Area Of Practice	Primary
Emergency Medicine	Yes

Current Membership in Medical Professional Organizations

Membership
None Reported

Honors & Awards

Honor/Award	Given By	Date
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

This section indicates whether the North Carolina Medical Board has taken adverse public action regarding the licensee. Click on the link or links below to see an electronic copy of public documents associated with the licensee.

Certain public documents, such as hearing transcripts, are listed but are not posted on the site. If the record indicates a transcript is available, it may be obtained by contacting the Board.

NCMB public actions are posted on this site indefinitely.

Date	Description	Link
01/06/2023	Public Letter of Concern	View

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

This section indicates whether the licensee has been the subject of a malpractice judgment, award, payment or settlement. In accordance with NC law, the board posts this information for a period of seven years after the date of the judgment, award, payment or settlement. Settlements of less than \$75,000 or that occurred prior to May 1, 2008 are not included in this information.

The Board encourages the public to consider malpractice payment information in context and in combination with other information about the licensee's education, training and professional experience.

Please see [Interpreting Malpractice Payment Information](#) below.

The Board reviewed this payment and took public action against the licensee. Select the Actions Tab to view the public action taken in response to this case.

Incident Date	Payment Date	Area of Practice	City, State, Country	Response
07/15/2017	07/16/2021	Emergency Medicine	biloxi, MS, US	Pt presented to the Emergency Department with complaints of non-radiating chest discomfort ongoing and constant for nearly 12 hours prior to seeking evaluation for said complaint. According to the medical record, her symptoms were worsened with

eating. Upon arrival, she had an EKG performed which was not remarkable for any abnormalities, as were her vitals and laboratories. Her history and exam appeared to be more suggestive of a gastrointestinal cause and therapy was directed in that manner. The medical record stated she had marked improvement with the administration of oral medications and after being observed in the ED she was discharged home in stable condition. She however presented to another facility several hours later in extremis and later went into cardiac arrest and expired.

The Board reviewed this payment and determined that no public action was warranted.

Incident Date	Payment Date	Area of Practice	City, State, Country	Response
03/01/2015	02/02/2018	Emergency Medicine	Tupelo, MS, US	

Interpreting Malpractice Payment Information

North Carolina Medical Board Public Action associated with a malpractice payment

An important factor to consider when interpreting malpractice payment information is whether the payment is associated with a public action of the NC Medical Board. The Board reviews the quality of care associated with every malpractice payment involving a North Carolina licensee. The Board takes public action when its investigation determines patient care was below accepted and prevailing standards.

When considering malpractice payment data, please keep in mind:

- The existence of a payment does not necessarily mean that malpractice has occurred. Nor is a payment necessarily evidence of incompetence, misconduct or an admission of wrongdoing on the part of the licensee.
- It often takes years for a malpractice claim to move through the legal and/or liability insurance systems. The incident that resulted in a payment may have taken place years before the payment was made.
- Malpractice payment histories vary by area of practice. Some licensees may have a higher-than-average incidence of malpractice payments because they specialize in treating patients who are at a high risk for problems.
- Malpractice insurance companies sometimes settle cases because it is less costly to make a monetary settlement than it is to defend a case in court. Many times, such cases are settled without a finding of fault or admission of negligence by the licensee.

Misdemeanor/DUI/DWI Conviction Information

Conviction Date	Conviction	Jurisdiction	Sentence
None Reported			

Felony Conviction Information

Conviction Date	Conviction	Jurisdiction	Sentence
None Reported			