



**NORTH CAROLINA BOARD**  
LICENSED CLINICAL  
MENTAL HEALTH  
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The Honorable Roy Cooper, Governor  
The State of North Carolina  
State Capitol  
Raleigh, NC 27603 -8001

Secretary of State's Office  
Publications Division  
PO Box 29622  
Raleigh, NC 27626-0622

Dear Governor Cooper:

In keeping with North Carolina General Statute § 93B-2, the North Carolina Board of Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselors submits the attached annual report. This report covers the activities of the Board during the period from *July 1, 2023*, through *June 30, 2024*. All financial reporting will be submitted by the Board's Certified Public Accountant. If you have any questions regarding any part of the report, or if you wish further elaboration on the Board's activities, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Respectfully submitted,

*Melonie Davis*

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Executive Director

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Controller  
Office of Attorney General  
Joint Legislative Administrative Procedure Oversight Committee  
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# North Carolina Board of Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselors 2022-2023

1. Address of Board, and the names of its members and officers:  
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Board members after June 30, 2024  
 Chair Yasmin Gay, LCMHC,  
 Vice Chair Nicole Stargell, LCMHC  
 Mark Schwarze, LCMHC,  
 Edward Neal, Public Member  
 Bruce Garris, LCMHC Treasurer- , LCMHC  
 Levette Scott, LCMHC  
 Vanessa Diggs - Public Member

1a. The total number of licensees supervised by the board:	<b>13,970</b>
2. The number of persons who applied to the board for examination:	<i>N/A</i>
3. The number who were refused examination:	<i>N/A</i>
4. The number who took the examination:	<b>618</b>
<p>*Per 21 NCAC 53 .0305, one of the requirements for licensure is that applicants shall take and pass one of the following examinations: the National Counselor Examination (NCE), the National Clinical Mental Health Counselor Examination (NCMHCE), the Certified Rehabilitation Counselor Examination (CRC), or another examination administered by other state counselor licensing boards and professional counselor credentialing associations if the Board determines that such examinations are equivalent to the NCE, NCMHCE or CRC. Since the examinations are administered by external sources, the Board does not require applicants to apply to the board for examination and does not refuse examination. Based on licensure application and examination data from 2023-2024, 618 examinations were completed.</p>	
5. The number to whom initial licenses were issued:	<b>960</b>
5a. The number who failed the examination:	<b>190</b>
6. The number who applied for license by reciprocity or comity:	<b>208</b>
7. The number who were granted licenses by reciprocity or comity:	<b>108</b>
7a. The number of official complaints received involving licensed and unlicensed activities:	<b>87</b>
7b. The number of disciplinary actions taken against licensees, or other actions taken against non-licensees, including injunctive relief:	<b>6</b>
8. The number of licenses suspended or revoked:	<b>2</b>
9. The number of licenses terminated for any reason other than failure to pay the required renewal fee:	<b>2</b>

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10. The substance of any anticipated request by the occupational licensing board to the General Assembly to amend statutes related to the occupational licensing board: N/A

11. The substance of any anticipated change in rules adopted by the occupational licensing board or the substance of any anticipated adoption of new rules by the occupational licensing board: **21 NCAC 53 .0206 GRADUATE COUNSELING EXPERIENCE (Council for Accreditation of Counseling & Related Educational Programs) requirement went into effect July 1, 2022 (G.S. 90-336.b2).**

Link to administrative rules:

[https://www.ncblcmhc.org/Assets/LawsAndCodes/NCBLCMHC\\_Administrative\\_Rules\(NCACTitle21Chapter53\).pdf](https://www.ncblcmhc.org/Assets/LawsAndCodes/NCBLCMHC_Administrative_Rules(NCACTitle21Chapter53).pdf)

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| 12. Number of applicants for license (Number of granted license):           | 2155 (1663) |
| 13. Number of applicants with a conviction record (Number granted license): | 64 (40)     |
| 14. Number of applicants with military training (Number granted license):   | 4(4)        |
| 15. Number of applicants with military spouse (Number granted license):     | 90(90)      |