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Board Membership *(as of the Date This Report was Approved)*

Date of Final Board Approval: 5/16/2025

Crystal Herring – Professional Counselor – Board Chair
Mary Elkins – Professional Counselor
Ashley Martin – Professional Counselor
Carrie Elaine Border – Professional Counselor
Vacant - Public

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Accomplishments

- Submitted a draft of Regulations for the Associate License and Supervisor License Regulations to the Department of Law for review in October 2024
- Updated applications by credentials to remove CE requirements, as the requirement was a barrier to licensure
- Onboarded 4 new LPC's to the Board and elected new Board Chair
- Conducted continuous review of Statutes and Regulations with right touch regulation, working toward updating of regulations and statutes to provide national consistency
- Closed 15 investigations from the beginning of the fiscal year to April 8, 2025.
- Consistent review and assistance with investigations as needed
- Posted Frequently asked questions on the website for applicants for easier public information

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Activities

- Conducted 5 board meetings
- Sent a representative to multiple conferences to ensure current practices were consistent and the board is working with the most updated information available. Travel included: the CLEAR conference in Sept 2024, AASCB in Feb 2025, AMHCE in June 2025, and CRBS in June 2025.
- Board went through investigations training
- Consistent bi-monthly review and approvals for new LPC and supervisor LPC licenses.

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Needs

- Update Regulations for consistency
- Fill vacant position
- New Board member training