

**21 NCAC 68 .0605 METHOD OF DISCIPLINE**

(a) In the course of the disciplinary investigation or hearing the Board may:

- (1) deny a credential;
- (2) revoke a credential;
- (3) suspend a credential until further order of the Board or for a specified period of time;
- (4) admonish, reprimand, or censure the Respondent; or
- (5) take other actions not to be considered a disciplinary action, including a letter of caution or letter of warning without the consent of the Respondent.

(b) Disciplinary or other actions by the Board with the Respondent's consent may be stayed while the Respondent satisfies all of the conditions of the consent order.

(c) For the purposes of this Chapter:

- (1) "Admonish" means a written warning from the Board to a person making application for certification or licensure by the Board or registered, certified, or licensed by the Board. An admonishment is more severe than a reprimand and less severe than a censure.
- (2) "Reprimand" means a written warning from the Board to a person making application for certification or licensure by the Board or registered, certified, or licensed by the Board. A reprimand is more less severe than an admonishment.
- (3) "Censure" means a written warning from the Board to a person making application for certification or licensure by the Board or registered, certified, or licensed by the Board. A censure is the most severe level of discipline that allows the professional to continue to practice.

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