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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

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**CHAPTER 112-01-01  
ORGANIZATION OF BOARD**

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112-01-01-01	Organization and Functions of the Board of Integrative Health Care

**112-01-01-01. Organization and functions of the board of integrative health care.**

1. **History.** The board of integrative health care was established in 2011 under North Dakota Century Code chapter 43-57 to provide a means to regulate integrative health care practitioners. The first integrative health care practitioners to be licensed and regulated by the board are naturopaths in accordance with North Dakota Century Code chapter 43-58 and music therapists in accordance with North Dakota Century Code chapter 43-59. Acupuncturists became licensed and regulated by the board in 2015 under North Dakota Century Code chapter 43-61. North Dakota is the sixteenth state of the United States to license naturopaths and the forty-fifth state to license acupuncturists.
2. **Functions.** The function of the board is to determine if acupuncturists, naturopaths, and music therapists meet the qualifications to practice in the state of North Dakota and to prevent unqualified acupuncturists, naturopaths, and music therapists from practicing in North Dakota. The board establishes and enforces the education, licensing examinations, and professional conduct of acupuncturists, naturopaths, and music therapists in accordance with North Dakota Century Code chapters 43-58, 43-59, and 43-61.
3. **Board membership.** The initial board consists of five to seven members appointed by the governor: one acupuncturist, one naturopath, one music therapist, one medical or osteopathic doctor, one advanced practice registered nurse, one pharmacist, and up to two public members. Members of the board serve three-year terms, except for the initial board members which shall be staggered. Two to three three-year terms expire each year. Board members annually elect from the board membership the chairman, vice chairman, secretary, and treasurer of the board.
4. **Secretary and treasurer.** The secretary and the treasurer are elected by the board.
5. **Executive director.** The board may hire an executive director to oversee the clerical needs of the board, and who will answer to the board chairman.
6. **Inquiries.** Any questions or suggestions concerning these rules should be sent to the executive director or to the secretary during any time period that the executive director position is unfilled.

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