



## CATHERINE HARRISON BALESTRA MD

License Number: ME97715

Profession	Medical Doctor
License Status	Clear/Active
Year Began Practicing	Not Provided
License Expiration Date	01/31/2027

## General Information

### Primary Practice Address

CATHERINE HARRISON BALESTRA MD  
MINARS DERMATOLOGY  
4060 SHERIDAN STREET  
HOLLYWOOD, FL 33021

### Medicaid

This practitioner does NOT participate in the Medicaid program.

### Staff Privileges

This practitioner currently holds staff privileges at the following hospital/medical/health institutions:

Institution Name	City	State
JACKSON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	MIAMI	FLORIDA

### Email Address

Please contact at: [balestramd@gmail.com](mailto:balestramd@gmail.com)

### Other State Licenses

This practitioner has not indicated any additional state licensures.

### Florida Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Association

If you are a Florida Allopathic (MD) or Osteopathic (DO) Physician, you are required to provide proof of payment of the Florida Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Association (NICA) assessment as required by section 766.314, Florida Statutes. Payment of the initial and annual assessment are required of all Florida Allopathic and Osteopathic Physicians who do not qualify for an exemption as set forth in section 766.314(4)(b)4, Florida Statutes.

This practitioner has indicated that he/she has submitted payment of the assessment.

## Education and Training

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Institution Name	Degree Title	Dates of Attendance	Graduation Date
UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI	MD	8/1/1998 - 5/30/2003	

Other Health Related Degrees

This practitioner does not hold any additional health related degrees.

Professional and Postgraduate Training

This practitioner has completed the following graduate medical education:

Program Name	Program Type	Specialty Area	Other Specialty Area	City	State or Country	Dates Attended From	Dates Attended To
MOUNT SINAI MEDICAL CENTER	INTERNSHIP	IM - INTERNAL MEDICINE		MIAMI	FLORIDA	07/01/2003	06/30/2004
UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI	RESIDENCY	D - DERMATOLOGY		MIAMI	FLORIDA	07/01/2004	06/30/2007

Academic Appointments

Graduate Medical Education

This practitioner has had the responsibility for graduate medical education within the last 10 years.

Academic Appointments

This practitioner currently holds faculty appointments at the following medical/health related institutions of higher learning:

Title	Institution	City	State
VOLUNTARY FACULTY	UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI SCHOOL OF MEDICINE	MIAMI	FLORIDA

Specialty Certification

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This practitioner holds the following certifications from specialty boards recognized by the Florida board which regulates the profession for which he/she is licensed:

Specialty Board	Certification	Date Certified
AMERICAN BOARD OF DERMATOLOGY	D - DERMATOLOGY	

Financial Responsibility

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I have hospital staff privileges and I have professional liability coverage in an amount not less than \$250,000 per claim, with a minimum annual aggregate of not less than \$750,000 from an authorized insurer as defined under s. 624.09, F. S., from a surplus lines insurer as defined under s. 626.914(2), F. S., from a risk retention group as defined under s. 627.942, F.S., from the Joint Underwriting Association established under s. 627.351(4), F. S., or through a plan of self insurance as provided in s.627 .357, F.S.

Proceedings and Actions

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Criminal Offenses

The criminal history information, if any exists, may be incomplete; federal criminal history information is not available to the public. Information is verified by the Department at the time of initial licensure and renewal.

This practitioner has indicated that he/she has no criminal offenses required to be published on this profile.

**Medicaid Sanctions and Terminations**

This practitioner has not been sanctioned or terminated for cause from the Medicaid program.

**Final Disciplinary Actions Reported by the Department of Health within the last 10 years:**

The information below is self reported by the practitioner.

**Final disciplinary action taken by a specialty board within the last 10 years:**

This practitioner has indicated that he/she has \*NOT\* had any final disciplinary action taken against him/her within the last 10 years by a specialty board.

**Final disciplinary action taken by a licensing agency within the last 10 years:**

This practitioner has indicated that he/she has \*NOT\* had any final disciplinary action taken against him/her within the last 10 years by a licensing agency.

**Disciplinary action taken by a health maintenance organization, pre-paid health clinic, nursing home, licensed hospital or ambulatory surgical center within the last 10 years:**

This practitioner has indicated that he/she has \*NOT\* had any final disciplinary action taken against him/her within the last 10 years by a health maintenance organization, pre-paid health clinic, nursing home, licensed hospital or ambulatory surgical center.

The following discipline has been reported as required under 456.041(5), F.S. within the previous 10 years.

**Resignation from or non-renewal of medical staff membership or the restriction or revocation of staff privileges within the last 10 years by a health maintenance organization, pre-paid health clinic, nursing home, licensed hospital or ambulatory surgical center in lieu of or in settlement of a pending disciplinary case related to competence or character.**

This practitioner has indicated that he/she has \*NEVER\* been asked to or allowed to resign from or had any medical staff privileges restricted or revoked within the last 10 years by a health maintenance organization, pre-paid health clinic, nursing home, licensed hospital or ambulatory surgical center.

**Liability Claims Exceeding \$100,000.00 Within last 10 years.**

Settlement of a claim may occur for a variety of reasons that do not necessarily reflect negatively on the professional competence or conduct of the physician. A payment settlement of a medical malpractice action or claim should not be construed as creating a presumption that medical malpractice has occurred.

**Additional claims information may have been reported to the Department of Financial Services. To check their web site, please click [here](#).**

There have not been any reported liability actions, which are required to be reported under section 456.049, F. S., within the previous 10 years.

**Optional Information**

**Committees/Memberships**

This practitioner has not indicated any committees on which they serve for any health entity with which they are affiliated.

**Professional or Community Service Awards**

This practitioner has provided the following professional or community service activities, honors, or awards:

Community Service/Award/Honor	Organization
ALPHA OMEGA ALPHA, MEDICAL HONOR SOCIETY	
BEST STUDENT IN ANATOMY AWARD CLASS OF 2002	
BEST STUDENT IN PHYSIOLOGY AWARD, CLASS OF 2002	
BEST STUDENT IN PHARMACOLOGY AWARD, CLASS OF 2002	
ALPHA EPSILON LAMBDA, GRAD. STUDENT HONOR SOCIETY	
WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMER. UNIV AND COLLEGES	
2ND PLACE WINNER AS CO INVESTIGATOR	SYMPOSIUM ON ADVANCED WOUND CARE
1ST PLACE WINNER AS CO INVESTIGATOR	S FL DERM. SOCIETY RESIDENTS & FELLOWS RESEARCH DAY
CAMILLUS HEALTH CLINIC COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD	FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Publications

This practitioner has authored the following publications in peer-reviewed medical literature within the previous ten years:

Title	Publication	Date
A WOUND-ISOLATED PSEUDOMONAS AERUGINOSA GROWS....	DERMATOLOGIC SURGERY	06/01/2003
LIFESTYLES OF BACTERIA IN WOUNDS: PRESENCE OF BIOFILMS?	WOUNDS	01/01/2001
RECOMBINANT HUMAN PLATELET-DERIVED GROWTH FACTOR...	DERMATOLOGIC SURGERY	08/01/2002
PULSED DYE LASER IN THE TREATMENT OF SURGICAL SCARS...	DERMATOLOGIC SURGERY	01/01/2003

Professional Web Page

DRBALESTRA.COM

Languages Other Than English

This practitioner has indicated that the following languages other than English are used to communicate with patients, or that a translation service is available for patients, at his/her primary place of practice.  
SPANISH

Other Affiliations

This practitioner has provided the following national, state, local, county, and professional affiliations:

Affiliation
AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MOHS SURGERY
MEMBER OF AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
MEMBER OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION