



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
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DENTAL QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMISSION
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
Friday, March 10, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lyle McClellan, DDS, Chair
Ronald Marsh, DDS, Vice- Chair
Aaron Stevens, DMD
David Carsten, DDS
Sonia Pal, DMD
Tiffany Bass, DDS
Marlynnne Fulton, Public Member
Bryan Swanson, DDS
Miryam Nossa, EFDA
Joy McDaniel, DMD
Mac Rainey, Public Member
Sarah Khan, DMD
Karen Clements, DDS

Nisha Sharoff, DDS
Samantha Kofler

MEMBERS ABSENT

Kathleen Elling, EFDA

STAFF PRESENT

James Chaney, Executive Director
Amber Freeberg, Program Manager
Adriana Barcena, Assistant Program Manger
Bill Kellington, Supervising Staff Attorney
Heather Carter, Assistant Attorney General

OPEN SESSION

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1. CALL TO ORDER – Dr. Lyle McClellan, D.D.S., Chairperson

- 1.1. Introduction of commission members and staff.
 - Ms. Freeberg introduces all present commissioners.
- 1.2. Public Comment - The public will have an opportunity to provide comments. If you would like to comment during this time, please limit your comments to two minutes. Please identify yourself and who you represent, if applicable, when the Chair opens the floor for public comment.
 - There are no public comments at this time.
- 1.3. Approval of agenda.
 - There is an amendment to include item 5.2, correspondence from Washington State Dental Association.
 - The motion to accept the amended agenda is moved and seconded.
- 1.4. Approval of the January 20, 2023, Business Meeting Minutes.

- The motion to approve the January 20, 2023, business meeting minutes is moved and seconded.

2. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

- Ms. Freeberg announces five current bills.
- HSB 1009 Military spouse employment- alters temporary practice permit requirements to expedite the issuance of professional licenses for military spouses.
- The bill has passed house and is scheduled for hearing on March 13.
- HB 1327 Faculty in dental school- includes any institution of higher education in Washington state accredited by the commission on dental accreditation (CODA) for faculty licensure.
- The bill will be heard by the House postsecondary education and workforce committee on March 14.
- ESBH 1503 Collecting health care professionals' information- will request applicants who submit applications to the Department of Health to provide following information on their application: race, ethnicity, gender, language spoken, provider specialty where applicable, practice locations.
- The bill has passed House and is currently in Senate.
- ESBH 1576 Dentist and dental hygienist compact- intended to facilitate the interstate practice of dentistry and dental hygiene by providing a pathway for dentists and dental hygienists licensed in a participating state to obtain a compact practice privilege that authorizes them to practice in another participating state where they are not already licensed.
- The compact was only introduced into 7 state legislatures this year. Ms. Freeberg was told by American Association of Dental Administrators (AADA), it already did not get passed in one state – so even if it passes in Washington State, the compact cannot be enacted until 7 states participate.
- The bill has passed House and is currently in Senate.
- ESHB 1678 Dental Therapy- creates dental therapists as a new profession under Title 18 RCW. A dental therapist could only work in a federally qualified health center (FQHC) or a FQHC look-a-like.
- The bill has passed house and is currently in Senate.

3. DENTAL ANESTHESIA COMMITTEE - Committee meeting held on January 27, 2023. – Dr. Marsh

- 3.1. Review draft language for moderate sedation permit with parenteral agents interpretive statement. – Commission may vote.
 - Dr. Marsh shares the revised interpretive statement recommended by the anesthesia committee. The interpretative statement will provide guidelines for the approval of permits.
 - There is a motion to approve the moderate sedation permit with parenteral agents interpretive statement.
 - The motion is seconded.
 - The commission makes a vote, and the motion is adopted.

- Ms. Carter shares the approved interpretive statement will be submitted to the secretary for review and will be returned to the commission with any comments.

3.2. Review changes made to WAC 246-817-701 – Commission may vote.

- On behalf of the anesthesia committee, Dr. Marsh presents and reviews recommended changes for the dental anesthesia rules.
- Rule 246-817-722 proposes every dental office administering anesthetic agents of any kind to have an AED or defibrillator.
- The commission and stakeholders discuss proposed rule.
- 246-817-724 proposes patients aged 13 or younger and are classified as an ASA 1, whether to take vitals is at the discretion of the dentist. Outside of the exception, any time anesthesia is administered, vitals must be obtained.
- The commission and stakeholders discuss proposed rule.
- A roll call of commissioners for support on moving forward with section 246-817-724 is completed; 13 yay, 1 nay and 1 abstention.
- 246-817-740; 246-817-745; 246-817-755 proposes requirement of a second individual to be in the office and immediately respond to any request from the person administering minimal sedation with or without nitrous oxide or moderate sedation with parenteral agents.
- The commission and stakeholder discuss and clarify proposed rule.
- 246-817-755; 246-817-760; 246-817-760 proposes requirements of a patients BMI to be assessed as part of a pre-procedural workup.
- The commission and stakeholders discuss proposed rule.
- 246-817-760 proposes requirement a backup suction device be available.
- The commission and the stakeholders discuss proposed rule.
- 246-817-760 proposes moderate sedation with parenteral agents, providers must perform continuous EKG monitoring is required in patients with clinically significant cardiovascular disease.
- The commission and stakeholders discuss proposed rule.
- 246-817-760; 246-817-770 proposes requirement of a consultation with the patients PCP or consulting medical specialist when the patient is an ASA classification.
- The commission and stakeholders discuss proposed rule.
- 246-817-774 proposes permitholders to keep a written declaration that a minimum of 12 emergency drill scenarios were performed at least two times per year.
- The commission and stakeholders discuss proposed rule.
- There is a motion to approve the recommended proposed rules by the anesthesia committee as presented.
- The motion is moved and seconded.
- A roll call vote is made for all proposed anesthesia rule listed under chapter 246. 14 commissioners vote in favor and the motion is adopted.
- WAC 246 will move forward to CR 102.

4. DENTAL COLLABORATION COMMITTEE – Committee meeting held on March 6, 2023 – Dr. McClellan

- Dr. McClellan shares updates on dental collaboration committee.
- Mr. Josh Brooks, with the board of Denturists, shared update on prefabricated implant abutments and that rulemaking is in progress.
- The committee held discussion with Dr. Kapur with the Washington State Medical Commission who discussed treatment of sleep apnea by dentists.
- Dr. McClellan shares conclusion of meeting was home test are diagnostic in nature and need to be specialized to each patient by a MD.
- Discussions are still ongoing, and the committee has scheduled another meeting for April.
- The committee will seek assistance from the dental college on current curriculum as it relates to sleep apnea.
- As the meeting went over time, future agenda items include discussion of vaccine administration by dentists.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- 5.1. Commission will discuss correspondence dated January 12, 2023, from Dr. John Bial regarding the use of the Periodontal Screening and Recording examination and the art of Biomimetic Restorative Dentistry.
 - Ms. Carter shares in response to the letter, the commission is unable to provide blanket statements regarding standard of care as each case is unique.
 - Ms. Carter also shares the provided letter states that Perio exams are no longer required and is not the case in Washington State- Perio exams are a requirement for licensure.
 - Ms. Freeberg and Ms. Carter will draft response for Dr. Bial.
- 5.2. Commission will discuss correspondence dated March 6, 2023, from Washington State Dental Association.
 - The commission discusses stakeholder participation and concerns during commission meetings as format has been primarily virtual.

6. OTHER

- 6.1. Dr. Clements' resignation effective 6/30/2023
 - Ms. Freeberg shares Dr. Clements' resignation letter and gives thanks for her time and work on the commission.
- 6.2. Update on commission member recruitment
 - Ms. Freeberg announces Ms. Elling has confirmed she will be resigning from the commission at the end of June.
 - Dr. McClellan and Dr. Stevens will also be completing their final term at the end of June.
 - Ms. Fulton has completed her first term and has completed her application to remain for an additional term.
 - Program staff will begin recruiting for three dental members and one EFDA member.

7. ADJOURN

- The meeting is adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

Submitted by:

Amber Freeberg, Program Manager
Dental Quality Assurance Commission

Approved by:

Lyle McClellan, DDS, Chair
Dental Quality Assurance Commission

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