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It has now been two years since my appointment to serve as Executive Director for the Ohio State Dental Board, and we have been as busy as ever. The Board is striving to continue to improve the quality of dental care delivered to the dental consumer while at the same time working to improve the services delivered by the Board to our licensees and the general public. In this vein, we are currently in the process of designing a Web Page which will include information on licensure and renewal, disciplinary action, licensure verification, law and rules, information on the Board and the meetings, and other relevant information.


The Board has also created the *Law and Rules Review Committee* whose purpose is to review the Board's rules and make any necessary changes to keep the rules current. During the last review cycle, the Board amended approximately nine rules, including the rules regarding the qualifications of those dentists wishing to obtain a permit which would allow them to utilize conscious sedation, deep sedation, and general anesthesia, in their dental practices. These amended rules, which are now in effect (copies available by calling the Board office), now require a higher level of education and training for those utilizing these modalities, and the rules provide strict parameters for those practicing in this area once they receive a permit from the Board to do so. The Ohio State Dental Board is a leader among dental boards across the United States with rules regulating the use of anesthesia and sedation by its licensees.

As most of you are well aware, the Board received additional funding in 1997, through a fee increase, enacted in the statute, to augment its ability to conduct administrative hearings. This enabled the Board to better protect Ohio's dental consumers by ensuring that those who are charged with violating the Dental Practice Act appear before the Board to present their cases in a more timely fashion.

The continuing demands placed on practitioners by managed care, the increased competition for the health care dollar, and ever-improving consumer awareness promise to present the Board with another busy and challenging year. The Board members and staff eagerly await these challenges and the opportunities they present to improve the dental care delivered to all Ohioans.

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See inside for articles covering current law and policy changes.
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Rule Review Process Under Way

 Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 119.032, the Ohio State Dental Board (Board) is in the process of a five year review of Chapter 4715 of the Ohio Administrative Code, which contain the rules regulating the profession. The Board's task is to review and make any necessary changes to keep the rules current. In this vein the Board has created the *Law and Rules Review Committee* (Committee) which currently consists of eleven members from the Board and dental community. Dr. William J. Lightfoot is Chair. Committee meetings are open for the public to attend.

The Committee submitted a rule review schedule to the *Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review* (JCARR), and each year the Committee reviews the rules scheduled for that year and makes recommendations to the Board as to any changes that have been proposed. The Board then holds a public rules hearing in which testimony by the dental community or public may be presented. Subsequently, the Board considers any testimony, votes on the changes and submits a final draft of proposed changes to JCARR. JCARR then holds public hearings to complete the rule review process. Once JCARR approves the proposed changes to the rules., the new rules become effective ten (10) days thereafter.

After completing the first year of the rule review process, the following nine (9) rules regarding dental examination, general anesthesia, conscious sedation, biennial sponsors and qualified personnel were amended:

- 4715-5-01 Criteria for admission to dental licensing examination. eff. 04/27/98
- 4715-5-02 Written work authorization eff. 04/27/98
- 4715-5-03 "Criteria approval"; personal appearance and examination. eff. 04/27/98
- 4715-5-05 Use of general anesthesia and deep sedation. eff. 06/08/98
- 4715-5-06 Reports of adverse occurrences. eff. 04/27/98
- 4715-5-07 Use of conscious sedation. eff. 04/27/98
- 4715-8-03 Standards for approval of biennial sponsors. eff. 04/27/98

- 4715-8-04 Continuing education requirements for renewal or reinstatement. eff. 04/27/98
- 4715-11-03 Non-delegable dental tasks and/or procedures. eff. 04/27/98

In addition, the Board also reviewed 4715-5-04 & 08, 4715-8-01 & 02, and 4715-11-01, 02 & 04, and decided that no changes were required to update these rules.

Currently the Committee is reviewing Sections 4715-9-01 through 04 regarding dental hygienists and 4715-21-01 covering treatment providers and centers. The Committee will then present any proposed changes to the Board at it's October meeting. The Board will vote on the proposed changes in December and hold a public rules hearing in the early months of 1999. Once completed, the Committee will start the next set of rules to review. The rules scheduled for review in 1999 are Chapters 4715-13, inclusive, and 4715-20, inclusive.

You may obtain a copy of the first year's rule changes by contacting the Board office at 614/466-2580. If you wish to obtain a current copy of the complete Dental Practice Act, you may obtain a copy by sending your request, along with \$3.00 to cover postage and printing, to the Ohio State Dental Board, 77 South High Street, 18th Floor, Columbus, Ohio, 43266-0306.

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1997-1998 Meeting Highlights

- February, 1997 - Treatment Centers Approval Committee presented the Board with approval criteria guidelines which included intensive inpatient and outpatient treatment, inpatient assessments, and management of the facility by an accredited physician of the *American Society of Addiction Medicine*.
- April, 1997 - Policy Committee proposed changes that were subsequently approved regarding initial licensure requirements. The Board voted to accept the *North East Regional Board (NERB)* only for initial licensure in Ohio.
- July, 1997 - Donald P. Bowermaster, D.D.S. of the *Ohio Dental Association Subcouncil on Dentists Concerned for Dentists*, gave an informative presentation to the Board on Chemical Dependency in Dentistry.
- September, 1997 - The Board approved the use of low or high speed handpieces to trim, finish and polish restorations by expanded function dental assistants (EFDA).
- January, 1998 - *Consumers for Dental Choice (CDC)* appeared before the Board to address the issue of amalgam free dentistry. The Board heard opinions from CDC's attorney and dental amalgam survivors, and also the other view by professors from *The Ohio State University College of Dentistry*.
- February, 1998 - Acceptance of the current Ohio State Dental Board Mission Statement.
- March, 1998 - Public Administrative Rules Hearing was held and the proposed rule changes were approved and submitted to JCARR.
- April, 1998 - Jim Harper, D.D.S., President of the *Ohio Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons* and Larry J. Peterson, D.D.S., Chairman of the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Program at *The Ohio State University*, gave an informative presentation on the evolution of oral and maxillofacial surgery and treatment regimens over the years and scope of practice of the oral surgeon.

- June, 1998 - Policy committee submits and receives approval for Committee descriptions for each of the Dental Board's Committees:

Anesthesia Committee
Education Committee
Law and Rules Review Committee
Policy Committee
Treatment Centers Approval Committee
Waiver Committee

Continuing Education Reminder



In past years, the Ohio State Dental Board (Board) has permitted dentists and dental hygienists residing out of state and/or not currently practicing, to maintain an active Ohio license without meeting the continuing education requirements, or having the hepatitis B immunization.

Beginning this biennium (1998-1999) all licensees, regardless of practice status or out of state residency, will be required to complete the mandated continuing education hours (40 hours for dentists; 12 hours for dental hygienists, which may include the Basic Life Support certification), and have proof of immunity to or immunization for hepatitis B. Licensees failing to meet these requirements will not be permitted to renew.

As in previous years, random audits will be carried out after the renewal, to verify compliance. Future verifications, either by audit or by an agent of the Board, will also include proof of hepatitis B compliance. We suggest that you maintain copies of your records in a separate, easily accessible file.

The Board has also noted through this year's audits that some licensees are taking courses which are not accepted for credit due to inappropriate course content and/or through courses obtained through companies or individuals that are not Board-approved continuing education providers. Courses which fall within the guidelines set forth in O.R.C. 4715.141, must be taken from Board-approved biennial sponsors or from *American Dental Association C•E•R•P* sponsors. You may request a current listing of Board-approved sponsors by submitting a written request along with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the Board executive office.

The Written Exam: To Be or Not To Be?



For the sake of discussion we all still refer to the present format as “the written” but in reality this is an incorrect description of the present examination which is now given to students and candidates alike outside the true clinical setting.

The NERB has given for a number of years and now with the advent of the computer age the: Computerized Simulated Clinical Examination (CSCE). This case based examination is not just a written test. One needs to assimilate the information provided during the test and use their knowledge and experience, and through proper interpretation provide the correct responses.

The *American Dental Association* has followed suit by using the same format with the National Board Examination, Parts I and II. They will also introduce their computerized version in 1999.

This then begs the question: Why give both examinations when one may be the same as the other? Since most of all students take the National Boards, why expose candidates for licensure to unnecessary redundancy? Several questions need to be answered before the NERB (and Ohio) does away with the CSCE.

Are they really the same? Studies are being made which may definitively prove that both are in essence the same, but there are other unanswered questions that remain.

The reported raw scores of the CSCE are the actual scores - candidates must obtain a seventy-five (75) in order to apply for a license in any of the jurisdictions. The reported score of Part I and Part II are adjusted (curved?) scores which compares one student to the other. The seventy-five (75) score on one is not the same as the other. Can licensure be granted based on this difference? The other unanswered question that the consumer and the legislator asks: Is it appropriate for one agency, a professional organization made up of providers, be the test makers and givers for all testing phases of the dental and dental hygiene equation, ie. gaining acceptance to schools; graduation from schools; and granting licenses to practice their craft.

The Board continues to work toward finding these answers. They do not wish to be overly restrictive to those who have been trained to provide care to the citizens of Ohio and now need to navigate successfully through a process to demonstrate minimal clinical competency.

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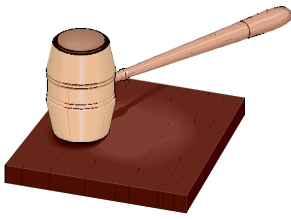
Reinstatement of Retired/ Suspended Licenses

Dentists or dental hygienists may retire their licenses, upon written request, any time prior to renewal. Once a license has been suspended for nonrenewal*, all fees including late penalties, must be paid prior to requesting retirement. If a license has been suspended for nonrenewal, the licensee may reinstate during the first six (6) months of the year (January 1st to June 30th) following renewal, by filing the renewal card and paying the license fee plus reinstatement costs. Current charges are \$163 for renewal, plus \$60 reinstatement costs for a total of \$223 for dentists; \$75 for renewal, plus \$23 reinstatement costs for a total of \$98 for dental hygienists.

If the license has been suspended for nonrenewal longer than six (6) months, the applicant must file a reinstatement application, appear before the Board for an interview, provide proof of completion of the required continuing education for the type of license requested, provide proof of immunity to or immunization for hepatitis B, and take an examination on the Statutes and Regulations, Chapter 4715 of the Ohio Revised Code.

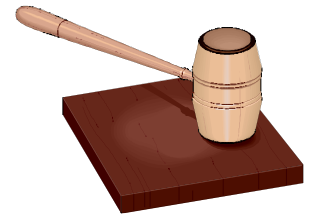
If the license has been retired for longer than one year, the same applies, i.e., reinstatement application, interview, continuing education, hepatitis B, and jurisprudence examination. The cost of reinstatement from retirement status is the same as the normal renewal fee; \$163 for dentists and \$75 for dental hygienists.

* Reminder: Please keep the Dental Board notified in writing, either by FAX or by MAIL, of your current address. The Board office cannot accept these changes by telephone. There were over 875 licenses suspended for failure to renew at the end of the last biennium, most of which could have been avoided by keeping the Dental Board updated with current addresses.



Enforcement Report

(July 1996 through June 1998)



Since the last newsletter, the enforcement section of the Ohio State Dental Board has investigated 1203 new cases. These investigations resulted in 144 administrative charges filed. In addition, the Board sent numerous warning letters and/or cease and desist letters and performed several alcohol/drug abuse interventions. The following is a list of licensees disciplined by the Board during this time period. Every effort has been made to ensure that the disciplinary information set forth herein is correct. Official confirmation of the status of a license can be obtained by contacting the Ohio State Dental Board, 77 South High Street, 18th Floor, Columbus, Ohio, 43266-0306. This listing may not reflect pending appeals made after publication of this newsletter.

NAME / DATE	CHARGE	ACTION TAKEN
ALHANATI, CRAIG K., D.D.S. 06/25/1997	1 COUNT CONVICTION OF FELONY	REVOKED
ALTIZER, STANLEY A., D.D.S. 06/18/1997	INFECTION CONTROL VIOLATIONS	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 7 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
AMSBARY, GORDON K., D.D.S. 01/08/1997	FAILURE TO COMPLETE CE - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION
AMSTADT, TRUDY S., D.D.S. 09/19/1996	FAILURE TO COMPLETE CE - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION
ANDA-BRENNER, SUSANNA, D.D.S. 05/08/1998	3 COUNTS STANDARD OF CARE	REVOKED - APPEALED
APP, GEORGE R., D.D.S. 11/25/1997	1 COUNT CONVICTION OF A FELONY	AFTER RELEASE-90 DAY SUSPENSION; REINSTATEMENT W/ STIPULATIONS; 3 YR PROBATION
BACH, HERMAN J., JR., D.D.S. 11/20/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 8 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
BAKER, CHARLES F., D.D.S. 07/17/1996	1 COUNT INABILITY TO PRACTICE UNDER ACCEPTED STANDARDS - DRUGS; AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION W/STIPULATIONS
BARTOK, DANIEL R., D.D.S. 09/11/1997	2 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 14 DAY SUSPENSION; 1 YR PROBATION; MONTHLY REPORTS
BERNSDORF, MARK S., D.D.S. 09/19/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 8 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
BIZGA, CHESTER A., JR, D.D.S. 09/19/1996	FAILURE TO COMPLETE CE - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION
BLAZIC, JOHN P., D.D.S. 03/27/1997	1 COUNT VIOLATION OF ADJUDICATION ORDER	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 10 HRS CE IN ETHICS W/IN 1 YR
BOYD, MERLE T, D.D.S. 06/11/1998	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL; 1 COUNT PERMITTING	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; 14 HRS CE; TAKE & PASS JURISPRUDENCE EXAM; QUARTERLY REPORTS
BRAM, KEITH M., D.D.S. 07/17/1997	19 COUNTS PRESCRIBING/DRUGS FOR OTHER	CONSENT AGREEMENT - INDEFINITE SUSPENSION; SURRENDER DEA FOR 5 YRS; ENTER INPATIENT; REINSTATE W/STIP; 3 YR PROBATION
BRENNECKE, BRADLEY C., D.D.S. 02/12/1998	2 COUNTS STANDARD OF CARE	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 20 HRS CE; TAKE & PASS JURISPRUDENCE EXAM; PROBATION UNTIL COMPLETED BOTH
BURNICK, KATHLEEN M., D.D.S. 03/27/1997	INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 8 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
CALEM, HERBERT M., D.D.S. 06/07/1998	1 COUNT STANDARD OF CARE; 1 COUNT FAILURE TO REPORT ADVERSE OCCURRENCE	60 DAY SUSPENSION; 40 HRS CE; 2 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS - APPEALED
CAMPBELL, SUSAN E., D.D.S. 05/06/1998	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL; 1 COUNT STANDARD OF CARE	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; 7 HRS CE; TAKE & PASS JURISPRUDENCE EXAM; NO DOGS IN OFFICE
CARDWELL, WILLIAM H., JR, DDS 09/19/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 8 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
CARPICO, BENEDICT J., D.D.S. 06/17/1998	1 COUNT VIOLATION OF ADJUDICATION ORDER; 1 COUNT PRACTICING UNDER SUSPENSION	1 YR SUSPENSION; 84 HRS CE; 2 YR PROBATION
CARPICO, BENEDICT J., D.D.S. 11/27/1996	2 COUNTS STANDARD OF CARE; 2 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	90 DAY SUSPENSION; 2 YR PROBATION; 24 HRS CE W/IN 90 DAYS; 40 HRS CE W/IN 2 YRS
CARRATOLA, THOMAS, D.D.S. 08/24/1996	2 COUNTS STANDARD OF CARE	45 DAY SUSPENSION; 3 YR PROBATION: NO ENDO-20 HRS CE; NO ORTHO-80 HRS CE; APPEALED
CHLYSTA, MARY ANN, D.D.S. 02/12/1998	1 COUNT CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY	LICENSE SURRENDERED
COSENTINO, BRUNO V., D.D.S. 10/16/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 8 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
CRANS, DAVID A., D.D.S. 07/17/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; SUBMIT QUARTERLY REPORTS-MONITOR; 18 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL

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CURTIS, JAMES W., D.D.S. 09/19/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 8 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
CURTIS, JAMES W., D.D.S. 02/12/1998	1 COUNT VIOLATION OF CONSENT AGREEMENT	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 WK SUSPENSION; 14 HRS CE; TAKE & PASS JURISPRUDENCE EXAM; 3 YR PROBATION
CUTTER, ALBERT J., D.D.S. 11/20/1996	1 COUNT CONVICTION OF A FELONY	CONSENT AGREEMENT - SURRENDER LICENSE
CZARUK, KOHUT P., D.D.S. 07/17/1996	FAILURE TO COMPLETE CE - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION
DAGOSTINO, MICHAEL W., D.D.S. 09/11/1997	1 COUNT STANDARD OF CARE	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 60 DAY SUSPENSION-40 DAYS STAYED; 2 YR PROBATION; 20 HRS CE
DORER, CAROL A., R.D.H. 05/06/1998	3 COUNTS EMPLOYING/COOPERATING IN FRAUD/MATERIAL DECEPTION IN APPLYING/OBTAINING LICENSE	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 14 DAY SUSPENSION; 1 YR PROBATION; 5 HRS CE; TAKE & PASS JURISPRUDENCE EXAM
EARNEY, ROBERT JOHN, D.D.S. 05/08/1998	21 COUNTS STANDARD OF CARE	180 DAY SUSPENSION; 20 HRS CE; SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE CLINICAL EXAM; 2 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS - APPEALED
EMERSON, JAMES L., D.D.S. 07/17/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; SUBMIT QUARTERLY REPORTS-MONITOR; 8 HRS CE INFECTION CONTROL
EMMONS, GUY L., JR., D.D.S. 02/12/1998	2 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT
ESPELETA, KARL G., D.D.S. 09/24/1996	1 COUNT CONVICTION OF A MISDEMEANOR	90 DAY SUSPENSION; 20 HRS CE IN ETHICS; 2 YR PROBATION
ESPELETA, KARL G., D.D.S. 05/06/1998	1 COUNT STANDARD OF CARE	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; EFF 5/1/98 CEASE ALL ENDODONTIC TREATMENT UNTIL COMPLETES 50 HRS CE
EVANS, DAVID J., D.D.S. 06/19/1997	INFECTION CONTROL EVALUATIONS	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QRTLY REPORTS; 7 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
EVANS, CHARLES T., D.D.S. 01/13/1998	CE - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	REINSTATED
FLOWERS, CLEON A., JR., D.D.S. 01/13/1997	1 COUNT VIOLATION OF ADJUDICATION ORDER; 1 COUNT STANDARD OF CARE	REVOKED - APPEALED - STAYED
FOOTE, EMORY EUGENE, D.D.S. 11/20/1996	FAILURE TO COMPLETE CE - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION
FOSTER, RODNEY N., D.D.S. 06/17/1998	4 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL; 1 COUNT PERMITTING UNLICENSED X-RAY; 1 COUNT MISREPRESENTATION	6 MO SUSPENSION; 34 HRS CE; TAKE & PASS JURISPRUDENCE EXAM; 2 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS - APPEALED
FOWLER, HUDSON D. III, D.D.S. 11/13/1997	2 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION; SUBMIT QUARTERLY REPORTS; 7 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL W/IN 6 MO
FRI, FREDERICK A. JR., D.D.S. 11/25/1996	5 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	14 DAY SUSPENSION; WRITTEN REQUEST TO REINSTATE- DOCUMENT COMPLIANCE W/INFECTION CONTROL; 2 YR PROBATION; 14 HRS CE
GALLAGHER, FARRELL T., D.D.S. 05/06/1998	3 COUNTS PRESCRIBING/DRUGS FOR OTHER	VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT
GEORGE, GEORGE S., D.D.S. 11/20/1996	FAILURE TO COMPLETE CE - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION
GILLESPIE, CARTER E., D.D.S. 02/12/1998	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 7 HRS CE; TAKE JURISPRUDENCE EXAM
GLADURA, DEAN R., D.D.S. 04/23/1997	INFECTION CONTROL VIOLATIONS	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORT; 8 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
GLICK, SIDNEY L., D.D.S. 01/21/1998	3 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL; 1 COUNT PERMITTING UNLICENSED RADIOGRAPHERS	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 7 HRS CE; EMPLOYEES PERFORMING RADIOLOGIC PROCEDURES SHALL BE LICENSED
GRAY, SANFORD L., D.D.S. 09/09/1996	FAILURE TO COMPLETE CE - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION
HALE, DONALD E., D.D.S. 08/22/1996	FAILURE TO COMPLETE CE - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	SUSPENSION LIFTED
HALE, DONALD E., D.D.S. 11/26/1996	1 COUNT PRACTICING WHILE UNDER SUSPENSION	14 DAY SUSPENSION
HANNAHS, DANIEL LEE, D.D.S. 10/16/1996	FAILURE TO COMPLETE CE - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION
HART, GREGORY A., D.D.S. 06/24/1997	3 COUNTS ENGAGING IN LEWD OR IMMORAL CONDUCT	5 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY DECLARATIONS; 20 HRS CE IN PROFESSIONAL ETHICS; HAVE ASSISTANT PRESENT AT ALL TIMES - APPEALED
HASHIM, SHABBIR M., D.D.S. 06/19/1997	1 COUNT PERMITTING UNLICENSED PERSON	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 350 HRS COMMUNITY SERVICE; MONTHLY REPORTS; 2 YR PROBATION; 8 HRS CE IN ETHICS
HEDMOND, MICHAEL J., D.D.S. 11/27/1996	2 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	1 YR PROBATION; 7 HRS CE INFECTION CONTROL
HELDRETH, LYNN E., D.D.S. 09/11/1997	1 COUNT CONVICTION OF FELONY	CONSENT AGREEMENT - LICENSE SUSPENDED UNTIL HEARING

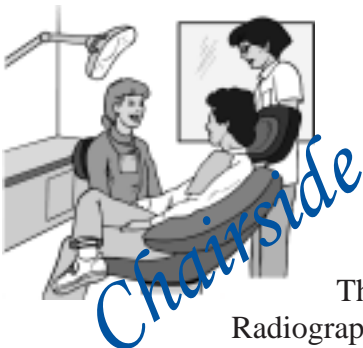
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HENDRICKS, GARY F., D.D.S. 06/18/1997	INFECTION CONTROL VIOLATIONS	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORT; 7 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
HIMLER, JEFFREY E., D.D.S. 11/13/1997	2 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION; SUBMIT QUARTERLY REPORTS; 6 HRS CE INFECTION CONTROL W/IN 6 MO
HOLMES, PHILIP J., D.D.S. 03/12/1998	IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION	IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION
HOLMES, PHILIP J., D.D.S. 06/17/1998	2 COUNTS CONVICTION OF A FELONY	REVOKED
JENSEN, JAMES D., D.D.S. 09/11/1997	2 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL; 1 COUNT STANDARD/PERMITTING X-RAY	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 6 HRS CE
JONES, BERYL K., II, D.D.S. 09/19/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 8 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
KELLING, ALBERT G., D.D.S. 09/11/1997	INFECTION CONTROL VIOLATIONS	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 7 HRS CE
KIRKPATRICK, DAVID M., D.D.S. 11/13/1997	4 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL; 2 COUNTS PERMITTING UNLICENSED RADIOGRAPHER	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION; SUBMIT QUARTERLY REPORTS; 7 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL W/IN 6 MO
KUPPIN, PAUL I., D.D.S. 09/24/1996	1 COUNT FELONY CONVICTION	2 YR SUSPENSION; 5 YR PROBATION; 20 HRS CE IN ETHICS; CONTRACT W/BD APPROVED TREATMENT CTR- APPEALED
LANKER, WESLEY G., D.D.S. 09/24/1996	2 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	14 DAY SUSPENSION; 1 YR PROBATION; 4 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
LAWRENCE, LINCOLN W., D.D.S. 11/25/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	1 YR PROBATION; 7 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
LAWRENCE, DONALD V., D.D.S. 01/21/1998	4 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 14 DAY SUSPENSION; 2 YR PROBATION; 7 HRS CE
LEIDTKE, BYRON T., D.D.S. 10/16/1996	FAILURE TO COMPLETE CE - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION
LINSCOTT, GREGORY M., D.D.S. 11/13/1997	11 COUNTS DRUGS/PRESCRIBING FOR OTHER; STANDARD OF CARE	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 6 MO SUSPENSION; SURRENDER DEA FOR 8 YRS; HAVE EVALUATION W/STIPULATIONS ON OUTCOME; 60 HRS CE; 3 YR PROBATION W/STIPULATIONS
LOPATE, PHILLIP, D.D.S. 09/19/1996		CONSENT AGREEMENT - 60 DAY SUSPENSION - 40 DAYS STAYED; 2 YR PROBATION; 20 HOURS CE
LUCAS, M. GLENN, D.D.S. 11/13/1997	1 COUNT STANDARD OF CARE	CONSENT AGREEMENT - REPRIMAND; 3 YR PROBATION; THERAPY; KEEP ASSOCIATE DR ON STAFF SO SCHEDULE IS MANAGEABLE
MARGHERET, FRANK A., D.D.S. 11/20/1996	FAILURE TO COMPLETE CE - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION
MARSHALL, WILLIAM D., D.D.S. 01/08/1997		VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT
MASON, GUY I., D.D.S. 11/25/1996	4 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL; 3 COUNTS MISREPRESENTATION	14 DAY SUSPENSION; WRITTEN REQUEST FOR REINSTATE- DOCUMENT COMPLIANCE W/INFECTION CONTROL; 2 YR PROBATION; 14 HRS CE
MATHUR, RAMESH, D.D.S. 01/28/1998	3 COUNTS PERMITTING HYGIENIST UNSUPERVISED/STANDARD OF CARE	REVOKED - APPEALED
MAYO, RICHARD S., D.D.S. 09/19/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 8 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
MCLAUGHLIN, LARRY A., D.D.S. 07/17/1996	FAILURE TO COMPLETE CE - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION
MCPAHON, PHILLIP O., D.D.S. 09/24/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	14 DAY SUSPENSION; 1 YR PROBATION; 4 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
MODEN, JAMES H, JR., D.D.S. 04/02/1997	6 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL; 2 COUNTS MISREPRESENTATION	1 YR PROBATION; 7 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
MOORHEAD, THOMAS W., D.D.S. 09/19/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 8 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
MURPHY, MICHAEL L., D.D.S. 01/21/1998	2 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; 7 HRS CE; TAKE & PASS JURISPRUDENCE EXAM; QUARTERLY REPORTS
NAYLOR, KATHLEEN E., R.D.H. 07/16/1997	PRACTICING WHILE SUSPENDED SINCE JANUARY 1, 1994	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 60 DAY SUSPENSION-STAYED; 2 YR PROBATION; PAY RENEWAL FEES DUE
NELSON, ROBERT A., D.D.S. 09/24/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	14 DAY SUSPENSION; 1 YR PROBATION; 4 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL; APPEALED - OVERTURNED
NOAKES, G. THOMAS, D.D.S. 03/27/1997	INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 8 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
PETERSON, WILLIAM R., D.D.S. 01/21/1998	4 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL; 3 COUNTS PERMITTING UNLICENSED RADIOGRAPHER	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION; 13 HRS CE; QUARTERLY REPORTS; EMPLOYEES PERFORMING RADIOLOGIC PROCEDURES SHALL BE LICENSED
PETROV, NELSON M., D.D.S. 11/13/1997	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION; SUBMIT QUARTERLY REPORTS; 7 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL W/IN 6 MO

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PFISTER, CHARLES R., D.D.S. 11/20/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 8 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
PITTS, MARK A., D.D.S. 11/13/1997	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL; 1 COUNT PERMITTING UNLICENSED RADIOGRAPHER	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION; SUBMIT QUARTERLY REPORTS; 7 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL W/IN 6 MO; CEASE PERMITTING X-RAY W/OUT LICENSE
QUILLEN, ADAM W., D.D.S. 09/18/1997	1 COUNT VIOLATION OF CONSENT AGREEMENT - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	LICENSE REMAIN SUSPENDED; REINSTATEMENT W/STIPULATIONS; 5 YR PROBATION
RAGOZINE, RICHARD R., D.D.S. 06/18/1997	INFECTION CONTROL VIOLATIONS	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 7 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
ROEBKE, PAUL R., D.D.S. 05/06/1998	1 COUNT ADVERTISING; 1 COUNT PRESCRIBING/DRUGS FOR OTHER; 3 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 60 DAY SUSPENSION BEGINNING 5/1/98; 2 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 27 HRS CE; TAKE & PASS JURISPRUDENCE
ROESE, JERRY Y., D.D.S. 01/21/1998	15 COUNTS STANDARD OF CARE; 1 COUNT MISREPRESENTATION	CONSENT AGREEMENT - SUSPENDED UNTIL GENERAL PRACTICE RESIDENCY - 2 DAYS WK FOR 9 MTHS; 5 YR PROBATION
ROLAND, HERBERT G., D.D.S. 11/27/1996	1 COUNT VIOLATION OF ADJUDICATION ORDER	60 DAY SUSPENSION; WRITTEN REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT- DOCUMENT IN COMPLIANCE W/CE; 5 YR PROBATION
ROSE, HERBERT T., D.D.S. 11/25/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	1 YR PROBATION; 7 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
ROTHAN, MICHAEL J., D.D.S. 02/12/1997		CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION
RUMBARGER, JAMES H., D.D.S. 10/16/1996		CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION
SALMANS, ROBERT S., D.D.S. 01/21/1998	4 COUNTS STANDARD OF CARE	CONSENT AGREEMENT - NO ORHTO TREATMENT EFF. 3/1/98; 20 HRS CE; 2 YR PROBATION
SANTUCCI, ALFRED S., D.D.S. 05/08/1998	3 COUNTS STANDARD OF CARE/PERMITTING	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 60 DAY SUSPENSION-30 DAYS STAYED; 20 HRS CE; 3 YR PROBATION; 1ST 2 YRS OF PROBATION -SUBMIT FORMS BY 15TH
SCARSO, DANARDO R., D.D.S. 07/17/1997	2 COUNTS PRESCRIBING/DRUGS FOR OTHER;1 COUNT INABILITY TO PRACTICE UNDER ACCEPTED STANDARD	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION; NO DEA FOR 2 YRS; 16 HRS CE IN PHARMACOLOGY
SCHERER, LYNN ANNE, R.D.H. 04/02/1997	7 COUNTS PRACTICING HYGIENE UNSUPERVISED, 1 COUNT PRACTICING DENTISTRY W/OUT LICENSE	7 DAY SUSPENSION
SCOTT, DAVID E., D.D.S. 11/13/1997	1 COUNT PRESCRIBING/DRUGS FOR OTHER	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR SUSPENSION; SURRENDER DEA; 20 HRS CE; UPON REINSTATEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION
SFEIR, CAMMILLE R., D.D.S. 06/18/1997	INFECTION CONTROL VIOLATIONS	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORT; 7 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
SILVER, KENNETH J., D.D.S. 01/08/1997	DENY APPLICATION FOR LICENSE	CONSENT AGREEMENT - TAKE AND PASS NERB EXAM PRIOR TO RECEIVING LICENSE; NOT PERMITTED TO HAVE DEA PERMIT; 5 YR PROBATION
SMALL, JOSEPH H., D.D.S. 07/17/1997	5 COUNTS DRUGS/PRESCRIBING FOR OTHER	CONSENT AGREEMENT - INDEFINITE SUSPENSION; NO LESS THAN 1 YR; SURRENDER DEA; SUBMIT APP TO REINSTATE; 2 YR PROBATION
SMITH, RICHARD J., D.D.S. 11/13/1997	5 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 14 DAY SUSPENSION; 2 YR PROBATION; SUBMIT QUARTERLY REPORTS; 6 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL W/IN 6 MO
SOHI, PARNEET S., D.D.S. 11/17/1996	1 COUNT STANDARD OF CARE	6 MO SUSPENSION; 5 YR PROBATION - APPEALED
SOLOMON, VINCENT ALAN, D.D.S. 01/21/1998	5 COUNTS PERMITTING HYGIENIST TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY; 1 COUNT STANDARD OF CARE	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 60 DAY SUSPENSION; NO NEW ORTHO TREATMENT UNTIL 100 HRS CE; TAKE & PASS JURISPRUDENCE EXAM; 3 YR PROBATION
SOLTESZ, EDWARD I., D.D.S. 11/25/1996	6 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	SUSPENSION-NO LESS 14 DY; WRITTEN REQUEST FOR REINSTATE DOCUMENT COMPLIANCE W/INFECTION CONTROL; 2 YR PROBATION; 14 HRS CE
SOLTESZ, EDWARD I., D.D.S. 02/18/1997	REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT DENIED	REINSTATEMENT DENIED - REINSTATED 3/17/97
SPECHT, DANIEL F., D.D.S. 01/28/1998	4 COUNTS DRUGS/PRESCRIPTIONS FOR OTHER	EFF 2/28/98 - 3 MO SUSPENSION; 50 HRS CE; 2 YR PROBATION - APPEALED
STEIN, RONALD S., D.D.S. 09/19/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 8 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
STICKLE, MELVIN E., D.D.S. 07/17/1997	5 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS, 7 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
STILGENBAUER, ROBERT E., D.D.S. 06/12/1998		CONSENT AGREEMENT - LICENSE SUSPENDED UNTIL 6/15/98; SUBMIT PAYMENT OF RENEWAL FEES W/LATE FEE FOR LAST 5 BIENNIUMS; AUDIT
SUMMERFIELD, DONALD K., D.D.S. 10/18/1997	2 COUNTS STANDARD OF CARE; 1 COUNT MISREPRESENTATION	3 MO SUSPENSION; NO LONGER PROVIDE ENDO; 20 HRS CE; 3 YR PROBATION - APPEAL
THIEL, GUNNAR P., D.D.S. 07/17/1997	FAILURE TO COMPLETE CE - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 2 YR PROBATION

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THOMAS, MICHAEL L., D.D.S. 01/21/1998	2 COUNTS PERMITTING UNLICENSED DENTIST	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; TAKE & PASS JURISPRUDENCE EXAM
USAMA, BASHIRUDDIN, D.D.S. 01/21/1998	2 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 14 DAY SUSPENSION; 2 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 7 HRS CE
VAN OOSTEN, DAVID J., D.D.S. 09/11/1997	INFECTION CONTROL VIOLATIONS	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 7 HRS CE
VAN WEY, ROBERT B., D.D.S. 06/17/1998	1 COUNT CONVICTION OF A FELONY	3 MO SUSPENSION; 20 HRS CE; TAKE & PASS JURISPRUDENCE EXAM; 2 YR PROBATION
VESTICH, GEORGE T., D.D.S. 06/11/1998		CONSENT AGREEMENT - 5 YR PROBATION W/STIPULATIONS
VESTICH, GEORGE T., D.D.S. 06/24/1997	1 COUNT CONVICTION OF A FELONY - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	SUSPENDED INDEFINITELY; WRITTEN REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT W/ STIPULATIONS
VIENNA, COLLEEN G., D.D.S. 09/19/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; QUARTERLY REPORTS; 8 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
VIVIAN, JOSEPH HANER, D.D.S. 09/11/1997	1 COUNT PERMITTING HYGIENIST UNSUPERVISED; 1 COUNT HYGIENIST PRACTICE DENTISTRY; 5 COUNTS STANDARD OF CARE	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 30 DAY SUSPENSION; DEMONSTRATE PROFICIENCY; 2 YR PROBATION
VOLK, RICHARD J., D.D.S. 02/19/1997	DENY LICENSURE	APPLICATION TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY IS GRANTED, SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS
WAGNER, THOMAS F., D.D.S. 09/11/1997	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; 7 HRS CE
WAXMAN, GERALD M., D.D.S. 06/11/1998	2 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL; 1 COUNT PERMITTING UNLICENSED X-RAY	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION; 7 HRS CE; TAKE & PASS JURISPRUDENCE EXAM; QUARTERLY REPORTS
WEISSMAN, GERALD M., D.D.S. 11/19/1997	8 COUNTS STANDARD OF CARE	30 DAY SUSPENSION-EFF 12/19/97; NO ORTHO; 3 YR PROBATION; 20 HRS CE W/IN 6 MONTHS - APPEALED
WIESLER, DONALD BAILIE, D.D.S. 03/27/1997	2 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION, QUARTERLY REPORTS, 8 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
WILSON, DAN E., D.D.S. 01/14/1997	1 COUNT PRACTICING WHILE SUSPENDED-VIOLATION OF ADJUDICATION ORDER	30 DAY SUSPENSION; REQUEST REINSTATEMENT W/COMPLIANCE; 7 HRS CE; 2 YR PROBATION
WILSON, DAN E., D.D.S. 10/10/1996	1 COUNT INFECTION CONTROL	14 DAY SUSPENSION; 1 YR PROBATION; 4 HRS CE IN INFECTION CONTROL
WILSON, WILLIAM E., D.D.S. 12/01/1997	FAILURE TO COMPLETE CE - AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	REINSTATED
WOLTERMAN, RICHARD J., D.D.S. 11/24/1997	4 COUNTS STANDARD OF CARE/PERMITTING	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 30 DAY SUSPENSION; 2 YR PROBATION; 20 HRS CE IN DENTAL ETHICS
WROBLESKY, ANTHONY M., JR, DDS 02/12/1997		CONSENT AGREEMENT - REFRESHER COURSE IN GENERAL DENTISTRY, APPROVED BY BOARD
WYNN, WILLIAM AARON, D.D.S. 11/25/1996	4 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	1 YR PROBATION; 7 HRS CE INFECTION CONTROL
YERIAN, MICHAEL A., D.D.S. 09/11/1997	1 COUNT VIOLATION OF ADJUDICATION ORDER	CONSENT AGREEMENT - 1 YR PROBATION
ZOLL, ANDREW F., D.D.S. 01/08/97	3 COUNTS INFECTION CONTROL	VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT



Dental Assistant Radiographers to Renew

The second Dental Assistant Radiographer renewal period is upon us already, and there are probably some licensees who are unaware that **all** Dental Assistant Radiographers licenses (regardless of the date of issue) expire on December 31st, 1998.

Licensees who converted a Conditional Dental Assistant Radiographers license by taking a seven-hour course in radiography are exempt from any further continuing education, **for this renewal period only**. All other Dental Assistant Radiographers must have had a two-hour course in radiography prior to December 31st of this year.

Beginning January 1st, 1999, all Dental Assistant Radiographers must take two (2) hours of continuing education in radiology before December 31st, 2000, when their licenses will again be renewed.

Number of Licensees as of June 30th, 1998	Dentists	7,252
	Dental Hygienists	5,940
	Dental Assistant Radiographers	6,534



Dental Hygiene History

By

Lynda L. Sabat, R.D.H.



The purpose of this article is to present a history of dental hygiene licensure, and how dental hygienists became full voting members of the Ohio State Dental Board (Board).

The first recognized dental hygienist in the United States was Irene Newman of Connecticut, in the year 1906, when Alfred Fones, D.D.S., trained her to perform prophylactic services. In 1910, Dr. Fones outlined a formal plan of instruction for dental nurses in the Bridgeport, Connecticut public schools. At that time, the Ohio College of Dental Surgery also offered a course of study for dental nurses. In 1915, the Connecticut Dental Practice Act defined the practice of dental hygiene, and Irene Newman became the first dental hygienist to be licensed.

Licensure requirements for hygienists in Ohio arose from the need to certify that the graduates of dental hygiene schools could meet the minimum requirements of practice, in order to protect the citizens of Ohio. The State Dental Board of Ohio began licensing dental hygienists on December 5th, 1921, when the first license was issued to Mildred Gilsdorf of Chillicothe.

According to the minutes of the Ohio Dental Hygienists' Association (ODHA), on April 13th, 1975, Judy Oldham, a licensed dental hygienist and consultant to the Board (and later an investigator for the Board), called for discussion of the possibility of having a dental hygienist serve as a Board member. The discussion continued over several years in the ODHA Long-Range Planning Committee.

At the September 1977 ODHA Board of Trustees meeting, Louise Barrett offered a motion that the ODHA Board of Trustees submit the names of three (3) dental hygienists to the Board as suggested replacements for consultant Judy Oldham, as her term was ending. One of those three (3) recommended hygienists, Katherine Goldberg, was named to succeed Ms. Oldham as consultant.

In the late 1970's there was a flurry of legislative activity throughout the United States to establish gubernatorial appointment of dental hygienists to state

dental boards. The first dental hygienist to become a voting member of a board of dentistry was Dana Beers Godbout of Maryland. Subsequent to that appointment, the ODHA engaged the support of Senator John Mahoney to sponsor a Bill to establish a dental hygienist as an Ohio Board member. In the beginning, the Bill faced heavy opposition from the Ohio Dental Association (ODA). While the Bill was in committee, discussion ensued concerning the possible difficulties which might arise with an even number of voting Board members. The Bill was amended to include appointment of both a hygienist and a consumer member to the Board. With the Bill gathering momentum, the ODA got involved to help it pass. The Senate unanimously passed the Bill; The House registered two (2) opposing votes.

According to the current version of Section 4715.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, "The governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint a state dental board consisting of seven persons, five of whom shall be graduates of a reputable dental college... one of whom shall be a graduate of a reputable school of dental hygiene... and one of whom shall be a member of the public at large..." Also included in the statute is the provision that... "The Ohio dental hygienists' association, inc., may submit to the governor the names of five nominees for each position to be filled by a dental hygienist and from the names so submitted or from others, at his discretion, the governor shall make such appointment..."

In June, 1980, Katherine J. Goldberg, R.D.H., of Columbus, former ODHA consultant, was appointed by Governor James Rhodes to a 5-year term on the Board, as the first voting dental hygiene member. During Ms. Goldberg's tenure, the rules for Advanced Qualified Personnel (now EFDA) were established, and the Board became active in developing criteria for the evaluation of candidates for the Northeast Regional Board (NERB) examination. Ms. Goldberg advised the Board on other matters related to the practice of dental hygiene in Ohio. Ms. Goldberg served as President of the Board during the last year of her term. She is presently employed as Development Director for the Contemporary American Theater Company in Columbus.

In May of 1985, Madeleine Haggerty, R.D.H., Ph.D., became Governor Richard Celeste's appointment to the Board. The foremost concern of the Board during her term was the infection control provisions added to the Dental Practice Act. Ohio was the first state to mandate patient and personnel infection control regulations. The use of gloves by all dental health care workers was an especially controversial requirement.

Also during that time mandatory continuing education was introduced. Dentists are currently required to complete 40 hours of continuing education biennially, and dental hygienists 12 hours.

Dr. Haggerty is now Chairman of Allied Health at *Youngstown State University*, and is on the board of the *Northeast Ohio College of Medicine*.

During his second term, Governor Celeste appointed Sandra L. Wise, R.D.H., of Fremont, Ohio, as dental hygiene member for the years 1990-1995. Some of the issues facing Ms. Wise during her term on the Board were: possible transmission of AIDS from dentist to patient, and the use of Sargenti paste in root canal therapy. The requirement for training which would allow dental hygienists to monitor nitrous oxide was added to the Ohio Administrative Code during her tenure, as well as certification in Basic Life Support.

In 1995, the Board also enacted rules governing the licensure of dental assistant radiographers, following passage of a Bill introduced by Senator Grace Drake.

Ms. Wise is currently practicing full-time dental hygiene in Fremont, Ohio.

On May 5th, 1995, I, Lynda L. Sabat, R.D.H., of Brecksville, Ohio, was appointed by Governor George V. Voinovich to be the current dental hygiene Board member. During this present term, changes to the Ohio Administrative Code have been made regarding dental specialty designation, general anesthesia, conscious sedation, and duties of qualified personnel. Further, the board is working with NERB to improve the examination for dental hygiene candidates. In November 1997, the NERB Education Committee met with educators from all NERB states to discuss the new format. This member attended the meeting, and was pleased to see NERB amenable to changes proposed by the educators. The

new improved NERB dental hygiene examination given this past spring had a written portion administered by computer at Sylvan Learning Centers, and a clinical portion using the double-blind method. This manner of testing ensured the anonymity of the candidates, who have no contact with the examiners prior to or during the examination.

The present Dental Hygiene member now serves as Chair of the *Waiver Committee* and as a member of the *Law and Rules Review* and *Education Committees*.

Attention: Dental Hygienists

Don't be alarmed, you have not been issued a new license number. Due to a recent change in the Dental Board's (Board) computerized database, the dental hygiene numbers have been changed. Previously, the third and fourth numbers reflected the year of original licensure. However, as the Board closed in on the rollover licensure of ten thousand dental hygienists, computer resources converted those middle numbers to -00.

Internet Website



In our attempt to improve services currently offered to our licensees and the dental consumer, the Ohio State Dental Board is pleased to announce the addition of a Dental Board Website. Our Executive Director, Lili C. Kaczmarek, along with the State of Ohio, Computer Resources Center, have been working diligently for the past few months creating an informative Web Page for access by computer users.

The target date for the Dental Board Website is November, 1998, and you will be able to access the site by going to the State of Ohio Home Page at **www.state.oh.us**. From there you can "click" on Agencies by Name and scroll down through the agencies until you reach the Ohio State Dental Board. At this time, the address for the Dental Board has not been determined.

The information available at the site includes; information on Board members, the Dental Practice Act, Requests for information, Licensure verification, Licensing information, Continuing Education information and applications, and information on the Enforcement Division of the Board.

We hope you take the opportunity to visit us soon!

Anesthesia and Sedation Changes in a Nutshell

A well known fact among the various dental regulatory agencies is that the Ohio State Dental Board (Board) has led the nation with its credentialing of appropriately trained practitioners, permitting the administration and use of conscious sedation, deep sedation and general anesthesia in the dental office. Now the Board, with the help of its *Anesthesia Committee Task Force* (ACTF), has written new rules to address the changing modalities of treatment as the 21st century approaches. **A thanks to the ACTF!**

General Anesthesia & Deep Sedation Permits

1. No longer a temporary permit issued.
2. Initial approval to use this modality is given through an elaborate and thorough application process based on credentials.
3. Specific requirements for mobile and portable providers are delineated.
4. ACLS can be substituted by its age-appropriate equivalent or a six (6) hour Board approved course in emergency management.

Conscious Sedation Permits

1. Does not include the use of only nitrous oxide/oxygen inhalation.
2. A permit will have to be obtained when other agents, drugs, etc. are used along with nitrous oxide/oxygen, on patients twelve (12) years or under.
3. "Grandfather clause" is available.
4. ACLS can be substituted by its age-appropriate equivalent or a six (6) hour Board approved course in emergency management.

Both Permits

At the December, 1999 biennial renewal of the dental license, the permit holders will have to attest that they have completed ACLS, its age-appropriate equivalent or a six (6) hour Board-approved course in emergency management.

For one to understand the above and/or to be guided to ask questions, please obtain a copy of the rule changes, Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4715-5-05 and 07, available from the Board executive office. There are informative resources provided in the rules which can help in the process. Remember these changes will elicit growing pains and possibly a steep learning curve. For specific questions please address your correspondence to Donald E. Demkee, D.D.S., Chair, *Anesthesia Committee*, Ohio State Dental Board, 77 South High Street, 18th Floor, Columbus, Ohio, 43266-0306.

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