

# **THE OHIO STATE DENTAL BOARD**

## **ANNUAL REPORT**

**FY 2006**



**BOB TAFT, GOVERNOR**

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Governor Bob Taft  
77 South High Street, 30th Floor  
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Dear Governor Taft:

We are pleased to provide you with the Annual Report of the Ohio State Dental Board (Board). This report summarizes the Board's licensing, enforcement and financial activities for fiscal year 2006.

As appointed public servants, the Board members are charged with protecting Ohio's consumers by ensuring that those who are licensed by the Board meet certain minimum education and training criteria to safely practice in Ohio. The Board must then monitor those licensees to ensure compliance with the laws and rules governing the profession.

The Board has been effective in its job to protect the public through licensing, enforcement and regulation. Further, we are making improvements proactively and as necessary, with patient safety as our primary concern.

The Board is the first dental board in the nation to have implemented a Quality Intervention Program (QUIP). This program allows licensees with apparent practice skills issues to have an opportunity to remediate their skills through education and training, and possibly forego formal disciplinary action. Success is measured by documentation demonstrating that the licensee's skills are improved and he/she can safely and competently treat Ohio's dental consumers. The Board has a group of experts called the QUIP Panel who assist the Board Secretary in making determinations regarding the case referred for review and recommendation. The Board's QUIP Coordinator and key Staff are working with Ohio's two dental schools, The Ohio State University College of Dentistry, and the Case Western Reserve University School of Dental Medicine, to ensure the highest quality of remediation can be provided to eligible candidates. This type of program has been very successful with the State Medical Board of Ohio, and the Ohio Board of Nursing has a similar program.

Several pieces of legislation have passed that affect dentistry. Sub. HB 143 went into effect in FY 2006. This bill allows qualified dental hygienists to administer local anesthesia under direct supervision. Further, the bill registers and regulates the practice of expanded function dental assistants. Finally, the bill makes some modification to dental assistant radiographer regulation in an effort to ease the process for permission to practice by these assistants.

HB 311 also passed. This bill expands the scope of certified dental assistants and allows qualified assistants to provide sealants under direct supervision. HB 311 is pending, which would allow qualified assistants to provide additional services in the area of orthodontics.

The Board continues to work towards the goal of one national clinical licensure examination for dentists and dental hygienists. This has been a tremendous undertaking, and the Board supports the effort and is working to promote this in all jurisdictions across the United States.

The Board is constantly moving forward and it anticipates another exciting and complex year ahead. As charged, the Board will continue to focus on its mission to protect the public, while also maintaining the integrity of the profession.

Respectfully submitted,

THE OHIO STATE DENTAL BOARD

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Executive Director

PAUL VESOULIS, DDS  
President

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Vice President

EDWARD R. HILLS, DDS  
Secretary

# The Ohio State Dental Board

## Annual Report - FY 2006

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The Ohio State Dental Board (Board) is the agency responsible for examining and licensing dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistant radiographers for practice in Ohio. In addition, the Board administers and enforces Chapter 4715. of the Ohio Revised Code and Chapter 4715. of the Ohio Administrative Code and adopts rules establishing standards for the safe practice of dentistry and dental hygiene. The Board is responsible for acting on complaints through investigations, inquiries and inspections, and holding adjudication hearings pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 119. The Board is also responsible for monitoring continuing education compliance of its licensees. The Board keeps a register of all licensees and all disciplinary action taken against licensees

The Board is self-sustaining through means of fees derived from applications for initial licensure, renewal fees, late fines and other miscellaneous sources. The Board is fully funded through 4K9 operating fund for professional licensing boards. Fees generated in excess of the Board's budget remain part of this fund. The State Controlling Board must approve any adjustments in spending authority or funding allotments.

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### BOARD PERSONNEL

Current members of the Board include:

Paul Vesoulis, D.D.S., President	Toledo
Gregory A. McDonald, D.D.S., Vice President	Springboro
Edward . Hills, D.D.S., Secretary	Cleveland
Mark T. Armstrong, D.D.S.	Troy
Phillip J. Beckwith, D.D.S.	Columbus
Berta Howard, D.D.S.	Hamilton
Billie Sue Kyger, D.D.S.	Gallipolis
Linda R. Leshner, R.D.H.,	Lima

Ann Naber, R.D.H.	Bellbrook
Chad A. Readler, Esq.	Columbus
Douglas Wallace, DDS	Fairfield
Sandra Wise, R.D.H.	Fremont
Franklin D. Wright, D.M.D.	Cincinnati

## BOARD PERSONNEL

Present members of the Board office staff include:

Lili C. Reitz, Esq.	Executive Director
Rebecca K. Hockenberry, Esq.	Assistant Director
Eleanore Awadalla, D.D.S.	QUIP Coordinator
Jayne A. Smith	Licensing Coordinator
Linda A. Daubenmire	Administrative Assistant
Malynda K. Franks	Executive Secretary
Janet Martina	Executive Secretary
Alonda Hairston	Secretary
Heidi Massaro	QUIP Assistant

Present members of the Board investigative staff include:

Larry R. Powell	Board Enforcement Officer
Michael T. Flugge	Board Enforcement Officer
Kathy S. Carson	Board Enforcement Officer
Harry Pasku	Board Enforcement Officer
Gail A. Davis	Investigative Assistant

## CLINICAL EXAMINATIONS

The Ohio State Dental Board (Board) participated in the North East Regional Board, Inc. (NERB) examinations in December, 2005, and in April and May of 2006. The dental simulated clinical exam portion of the NERB is now administered for both dentists and dental hygienists at the Prometric Centers on an ongoing basis. The clinical portion of the NERB examination was conducted at The Ohio State University College of Dentistry on April 29-30, 2006.

The clinical examination for dental hygienists was held at the following sites on the following dates:

April 6, 2006:

Stark State College, Canton  
Lorain Community College, Lorain

April 7, 2006:

Stark State College, Canton  
Lorain Community College, Lorain

April 21, 2006

Owens State, Toledo

April 28, 2006

Ohio State University, Columbus  
Columbus State University, Portsmouth

May 5, 2006:

Youngstown State University, Youngstown

May 12, 2006:

Shawnee State University, Portsmouth

May 17, 2006:

Cuyahoga Community College, Cleveland  
Lakeland Community College, Lakeland  
Sinclair Community College, Dayton

May 18, 2006:

Rhodes State College, Lima

May 19, 2006:

University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati

**NATIONAL BOARD EXAMINATIONS**

The National Board Examination, a written theory examination required for dental school graduation, was offered to candidates at The Ohio State University and Case Western Reserve University on July 11-12 and December 5-6, 2005 and on March 27-28, 2006.

The National Board examination was also offered at the dental hygiene schools on July 12 and December 6, 2005, and on March 28, 2006.

**LICENSURE STATISTICS FY 2006**

Dental licensed issued by examination .....	202
Dental Hygiene licensed issued by examination.....	289
Dental licenses issued by credentials .....	9
Dental Hygiene licenses issued by credentials.....	2
Dental Assistant Radiographers licenses issued.....	1114

**LICENSEES REGISTERED TO PRACTICE AS OF JUNE 30, 2006**

Dentists .....	6,902
Dental Hygienists .....	7,231
Dental Assistant Radiographers .....	10,135
Limited Resident's .....	179
Limited Teaching.....	33
Limited Continuing Education .....	14

**ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS FY 2006**

**Complaints and Investigations**

Cases carried over from previous year .....	67
New cases assigned .....	2485
Total cases investigated .....	2552

**Classification of Cases**

Standard of Care.....	211
Infection Control .....	26
Unlicensed practice.....	7
Misrepresentation .....	16
Drugs (selling, prescribing, giving away) .....	5
Permitting Unlicensed Person to Practice.....	31
Advertising.....	63
Impairment .....	17
Immoral Conduct .....	0
Adverse Occurrence .....	7

Continuing Education .....34  
Renewal..... 1654  
Licensing .....5

**Charges Filed and Citations Issued**

Administrative Charges Filed .....28  
Evidentiary Reviews.....12  
Hearings Held .....18  
Suspensions.....47  
Revocations.....3  
Consent Agreements.....54  
Hearings Pending.....2  
Warning Letters..... 198  
Infection Control Evaluations ..... 594  
Voluntary Surrender.....2

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## INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT FY 2006

### INCOME

Dental Renewal Fees .....	\$2, 289,051.00
All Other Fees .....	\$179,702.71
<b>Total Income .....</b>	<b><u>\$2,468,753.71</u></b>

### EXPENSES

#### PAYROLL 100 ACCOUNT

10 Payroll .....	\$991,854.78
13 Purchased Personal Service.....	\$114,751.34
<b>Total.....</b>	<b><u>\$1,106,606.12</u></b>

#### MAINTENANCE 200 ACCOUNT

21 Supplies and Materials.....	\$8, 216.33
22 Car Rental/Lease .....	\$22,735.38
23 Travel.....	\$33,970.26
24 Communications .....	\$19,384.52
26 Maintenance and Repairs .....	\$3,843.50
27 Rent .....	\$39,963.72
28 Printing.....	\$22,032.80
29 General and Other Expenses.....	\$28,295.55
Outstanding Encumbered Funds .....	\$37,731.56
<b>Total.....</b>	<b><u>\$216,173.62</u></b>

#### EQUIPMENT 300 ACCOUNT

30 Equipment.....	<u>\$21,543.89</u>
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**Total Expenses.....** **\$1,343,323.62**

Difference Between Income and Expenses .....

\$1,124,430.08
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**Budget Allotment .....** **\$1,346,656.00**

**Difference Between Budget and Expenses .....** **\$3,332.37**