

**NEW HAMPSHIRE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
121 S. FRUIT ST.
CONCORD, NH 03301-2412**

MEETING MINUTES – July 11, 2016

Hygienists Committee Meeting – 1:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – 3:00 p.m.

The July 11, 2016 meeting of the New Hampshire Board of Dental Examiners was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Charles E. Albee, DMD with the following members present:

Charles Albee, DMD, President
Stacy Plourde, RDH
Arthur D. McKibbin, Jr. DMD
Ellen Legg, RDH
Puneet Kochhar, DMD

Absent: Nilfa Collins, DMD
Tara Levesque-Vogel, DMD
Linda Tatarczuch, MSW

Review minutes of June 6, 2016 Board Meeting. The Board approved the minutes as amended.

Review minutes of June 9, 2016 public hearing. The Board approved the minutes.

ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Hygienists Committee
 - a. Minutes of June 6, 2016 Hygienists Committee Meeting (FYI). The Committee was unable to adopt the minutes due to a lack of a quorum. Tabled by the Board until its next meeting.
 - b. Hygienists Committee Comments – Ellen Legg advised that the Committee will be starting to review the administrative rules. It will also be making a recommendation to the Board next month on an issue the Committee members have been discussing.
2. Hygienists' Association Comments – None.

3. Dental Society Comments – Executive Director Mike Auerbach advised the Board of the following:
- The New Hampshire Dental Society appreciates the tremendous pressure placed on the Board to install rules that work to prevent opioid diversion and abuse in medical settings. It also appreciates the fact that the pursuit of such rules is made more challenging by Executive and Legislative demands for rules uniformity among the various prescribing Boards, even when uniform language is irrelevant to specific prescribing professionals.
 - Nevertheless, on behalf of the Executive Officers and Board of Trustees of the New Hampshire Dental Society, it must express its concerns over three areas of particular issue to dentists:
 - 1) The requirement that dentists, who already routinely conduct a physical assessment of a patient’s oral cavity and general well-being, must, in the interest of detecting possible opioid dependency, conduct a more comprehensive physical assessment that goes beyond a dentist’s scope of professional practice.
 - 2) Requirements that dentists must increase their administrative workloads through excessive documentation, including more comprehensive risk assessments and treatment plans. New Hampshire dentists, who already develop and conduct thorough risk assessments and treatment plans, would be further weighted administratively under such rules.
 - 3) There is a lack of clarity on the rules’ Continuing Education requirements for opioid prescribing best practices (e.g., whether dentists must take “contact” courses or online courses). In May, the NHDS, with the participation of the state’s PDMP program administrator, conducted a comprehensive pain management course for more than 150 dentists. This full-day course exceeded the training and informational needs outlined by these rules, but by virtue of the course being neither online or “contact” in nature, this vital training could be rendered moot.
 - In light of these concerns, the NHDS asks that the Board of Dental Examiners seek a delay on the September deadline for imposition of these amended rules. The NHDS, the Board of Dental Examiners, and the relevant prescribing Boards and relevant trade associations, would, during this short reprieve period, convene to reconcile these issues and forge meaningful, uniform and effective frameworks for such rules.
4. Commission on Dental Competency Assessments (CDCA) (formerly NERB) Comments – Dr. Albee reported that the itinerant anesthesiologist issue is a hot issue among the states. He also reported that Massachusetts just rejected the mid-level provider for dentistry.
5. Board Office Comments – None.
6. Vote for Board President / Vice President – The Board voted to elect Charles Albee, DMD as President and Tara Levesque-Vogel, DMD as Vice-President.

7. New/amended rule re: opioid prescribing - for Board approval - #16-138. The Board voted to adopt the rule as its initial proposal with the following changes:
 - a. Den 503.04(f) – delete the language after the word “tool”
 - b. Den 503.04(g) – change the language to read Document consideration of non-pharmacological modalities and non-opioid therapy and an appropriate pain treatment plan which includes the type of drug, the dosage and the duration of the prescription.
 - c. Change the words medical and medically to dental and dentally, where appropriate.
8. 2017 Board Meeting Dates - #16-139 – The Board voted to approve the schedule, but changed the July 3 date to July 10.
9. Opioid Prescribing CEU's - #16-140 –
 - The Board voted to accept the list of approved free, online opioid prescribing courses as set forth on the Medical Board’s website, with the following changes:
 - delete the American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry; Audio Digest Foundation; and the John Hopkins University, School of Medicine.
 - add ADA Pain Management in Dentistry: A Changing and Challenging Landscape; ADA Reducing Opioid Abuse by Incorporating Patient Management Strategies from Psychiatry and Behavioral Health; and BU Dental School’s Safe Opioid Prescribing for Acute Dental Pain.
10. NH BODE ADEX Representatives- #16-141 – The Board nominated Ellen Legg, RDH to be its District 9 ADEX representative and nominated Linda Tatarczuch as its public member representative.
11. Declaratory Ruling - Dental Assistants may not apply Silver Diamine Fluoride - #16-142 – The Board voted to approve and have its Executive Director sign it.
12. Inquiry re: Hygienists administering Botox- #16-143 – The Board voted that its administrative rules do not allow hygienists to administer Botox.
13. Inquiry re: Models for crowns/dentures - #16-144 – The Board voted that it is not necessary to keep models for crowns/dentures, and to place this item in a future rules package.
14. Informational (emailed previously)
 - ADEX Patient Centered Curriculum Integrated Format
 - Investigator/Administrative Prosecutions Training
15. Question re: National Canadian Boards - #16-149 – The Board voted to refer the questioner to Den 301.02(f) and (j).

LICENSURE AND REPORTS

1. DENTIST APPLICATIONS APPROVED

Layth K.I. Al Kaissy, DMD	Joseph I. Krajekian, DMD
Bethany D. Brooks, DMD	Janiris R. Lopez, DMD
Paola A. Buckley, DMD	Susan H. Lu, DDS
Nan Chen, DMD	Lia Mittelman, DMD
Zachary Daniels, DMD	Bhavya J. Patel, DMD
Brad A. Dressler, DMD	Camila X. Pineda Youniss, DMD
Michelle J. Dressler, DMD	Eugene Sachakov, DMD
Alicia L. Gittleman, DMD	Kirsi M. Savusalo, DMD

2. HYGIENIST APPLICATIONS APPROVED

Erica N. Bellefleur, RDH	Brianna C. Harvey, RDH
Kirsten V. Bielarski, RDH	Timeya D. Karageorgos, RDH
Jessica E. Bonenfant, RDH	Marissa D. Larkin, RDH
Carrie J. Boudette, RDH	Katherine V. Pattison, RDH
Sandra J. Cobb, RDH	Ashley M. Pierson, RDH
Amanda L. Cone, RDH	Natallie A. Raper, RDH
Natasha N. Deneault, RDH	Emily R. Taylor, RDH
Amy E. Derocco, RDH	Anna K. Tinkham, RDH
Paige E. Doyen, RDH	Heather A. Tsatsa, RDH
Lauren A. Durell, RDH	Vanessa S. Waible, RDH
Talayna M. Duval, RDH	

3. PUBLIC HEALTH SUPERVISION

- (a) #16-145 – The Board voted to accept the Public Health Summary Report and send a letter of appreciation to the following agencies:
- Cheshire Smiles
 - Oral Healthcare at Home
 - Seacoast Healthy Grins
 - Wentworth Douglass Community Dental Center
 - WIC Pay for Prevention Project (Concord and Pittsfield, NH)
 - WIC Pay for Prevention Project (Keene, NH)

4. ANESTHESIA/SEDATION

- Application for General Anesthesia/Deep Sedation permit -
Corey Decoteau, DMD - #16-146 – The Board voted to accept the application and to inform Dr. Decoteau that no facility inspection is required. It also voted to contact Dr. Crowley and ask her opinion regarding periodic facility inspections and, if she thinks they are a good idea, how frequently they should be done.

5. EXTERNSHIP

- Report - Dental Health Works of Cheshire County, Inc. - #16-147 – The Board voted to accept the report.

6. CHART - Proposed Rule/Statute Changes - #16-148

Statutes

<u>Recommended Changes</u>	<u>Board vote</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Does the Board want to include more specific language re: Botox to statute RSA 317-A:20, I (d)? It is within the dentists' scope of practice to administer Botox and dermafillers in the oral cavity and associate structures, with proper training.	No, but add a rule. Will research the proper training.

Rules

<u>Recommended Changes</u>	<u>Board vote</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Does the Board want to add Den 402.01(a)(6) language Under Hygienists' Duties to include the application of Silver Diamine Fluoride?	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Does the Board want to remove/change the current language regarding courses "approved by the Board"?	Tabled
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Does the Board want to add new language to Den 403.07 (c) re: receiving credit for publication of a dental-related, peer-reviewed, scientific paper? If so, how many hours?	Yes, 3 CEUs per year, no more than 6 CEUs per biennium
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Does the Board want to allow dental assistants, who are not not certified or graduate assistants, to be able to take blood pressure of a patient?	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ For clarification, does the Board want to add to Den 403.02 (d) "not including certification in a specialty"?	No
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Based on DHC's recommendations, does the Board want to make the proposed changes to the wording of Den 402.01(a) (2)-(15) Hygienists' Duties to make the rules current and in accordance with ADA CODA standards?	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Does the Board want to add to Assistants' Duties the proposed recommended tasks to Den 401.01 (e)(1)-(11)?	Yes

Rules (cont.)

<u>Recommended Changes</u>	<u>Board vote</u>
▪ Does the Board want to grandfather in those dental assistants who did not take the DANB radiology written exam because it did not exist at the time they started working as a dental assistant?	Yes
▪ Based on the Board's vote on the Declaratory Ruling of 4-4-16 re: dental assistants taking vital signs of a patient before taking a preliminary inspection of the oral cavity course, does the Board want to make changes to Den 302.05 (a), Den 401.01 and Den 401.02?	Tabled
▪ Does the Board wish to add language to infection control requirements to be more specific as to what kind of course is required, if an exam is required, face-to-face components, etc.? Is an online exam acceptable?	Yes
▪ Does the Board want to include a new rule awarding CEU credits to Board members for being on the Board?	Yes, 3 CEUs per year
▪ Does the Board want to accept, for licensure by endorsement, the Canadian National Boards?	Tabled
▪ Does the Board want to keep or change the requirement in Den 302.05 (a) that dental assistants, other than graduate dental assistants, be qualified in performing a preliminary inspection of the oral cavity before they can seek qualifications in other expanded duty areas?	Working on
▪ Does the Board wish to incorporate a rule that clarifies ownership and management of offices where the dentist owners are not involved with the practices?	Tabled
▪ Does the Board want to include a new rule awarding CEU credits to Anesthesia/Sedation Committee members/evaluators? And, If so, how many CEUs?	Yes, 1 CEU per eval, 3 max per year
▪ Does the Board want to include a rule (Den 304.02) requiring a facility inspection when an anesthesiologist or registered, certified nurse anesthetist administers anesthesia/sedation in a dental office?	Yes
▪ Does the Board want to require a new hygienist applicant to have a certification of good professional character by a licensed dentist in good standing? Currently, all hygienists must have 2 certifications, but only hygienists with previous dental employment are required to have 1 certification by a licensed dentist in good standing.	No
▪ Does the Board want to require a new dentist applicant to have a certification of good professional character by 2 licensed dentists in good standing? Currently, all dentists must have 3 certifications, but only dentists with previous dental employment are required to have 2 certifications by a licensed dentist in good standing.	No

Note: All votes were unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

At 6:95 p.m. pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, the Board voted to go into non-public session by roll call vote because public disclosure may render a proposed action ineffective or adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a Board member.