

**NEW HAMPSHIRE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
2 INDUSTRIAL PARK DRIVE
CONCORD, NH 03301**

MEETING MINUTES –June 1, 2009

The June 1, 2009 meeting of the New Hampshire Board of Dental Examiners convened at 3:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Neil S. Hiltunen, DMD, Vice President
Gerald A. Smith, DMD
Charles Albee, DMD
Marshall Baldassarre, DMD
Charles F. Post, DMD
Stacy A. Plourde, RDH
Linda M. Seedner, RDH
Lynn Joslyn, Public Member

Absent: Eliot L. Paisner, DMD, President

The Board approved the minutes of May 4, 2009 as amended.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Note: All votes were unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

1. Statutes and Rules
 - a. Statutory Proposals
 - 1) HB 2 – This bill includes the consolidation of professional boards. It will be addressed by the full Senate on June 3rd.
 - 2) SB 64 – This bill was voted inexpedient to legislate by the House ED and A Committee. It goes before the full House on June 3rd.
 - 3) HB 301 – This bill established a task force to study access to care. It is going the Governor for his signature.
 - 4) HB 414 – This bill establishes a commission to study the prevention of dental disease. It is also going to the Governor.

b. Rule Proposals

- 1) Rule Package 2009-I (second draft) – This package of possible rule changes addresses fees, the placement of sealants by hygienists, continuing education, emergency care, consultants, and the discarding of dental records. The Board will consider at least one more draft before beginning the rule-making process.
2. Dual Licensure – The Board was asked the following question: If an oral surgeon only has a medical license and no dental license may he or she practice dentistry? RSA 317-A:20: Practice of Dentistry states:
“III. Nothing in this section shall prevent:
(a) Physicians or surgeons licensed under RSA 329 from practicing dentistry incidental to their practice of medicine”.
3. Swine Flu – The Department of Communicable Disease Control, DPHS, provided the Board with a guidance document for dentists relative to the H1N1 situation. The Board voted to post the document on the Board’s website.
4. Ovaverse – This is a local dental anesthesia reversal agent. Dental hygienists are not authorized to use oraverse in New Hampshire. At today’s meeting the Board examined information submitted recently by Novalar, the makers of oraverse. The Board will consult with its legal counsel regarding issuing a declaratory ruling pursuant to Den 214 Declaratory Rulings.
5. Non-Patient Based Exams – In answer to a question, the Board has taken no initiatives regarding non-patient based clinical examinations for licensure.
6. Informational
 - a. ADEX White Paper – This paper evaluated the major regional clinical licensure exams.
 - b. Whitening (Iowa) – The Board will send this information to the Administrative Prosecution Unit (APU).
 - c. National Board Examinations – This required examination is taken in two parts by all dental students. Beginning in 2012 the examinees will receive pass/fail scores rather than numerical scores. The Board will amend its administrative rules to reflect this change at that time.
 - d. Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) Nominations
 - e. Academy of General Dentistry (AGD)
 - f. Penn Newsletter
 - g. Browns

QUALIFICATION AND LICENSURE

1. **PUBLIC HEALTH SUMMARY**

The Board voted to accept the annual report of the Concord Dental Sealant Coalition.

2. **PUBLIC HEALTH SUPERVISION APPROVAL**

The Board voted to approve the Mark Wentworth Home Dental Program.

3. **HYGIENIST APPLICATIONS APPROVED**

Nancy I. Medeiros, RDH
Renee Lincoln, RDH

4. **DENTAL APPLICATIONS APPROVED**

Thomas Pasquerella, DDS
Martin E. Geher, DMD