

Dental Hygiene Board of CA
Board Meeting
11-21-2020 10:00 AM – 3:30 PM

Agenda items #1-8:

1. Item #6: Executive officer report: Anthony Lum
 - a. Licensees must still renew their licenses in a timely fashion but there is a waiver of CE requirement until 4-2021. (This applies to licenses that expired after March 2020 only)
 - b. After 4-2021, CEs must be presented to keep license current
 - c. License fees: (no proposed increase)
 - d. Not able to present an update on the data about typodont license exam
 - i. Only 5 exams have taken place since the last meeting
 - ii. There is not enough data to make an analysis of the quality of this exam. Hope to have enough data by the next meeting.
 - e. There are a large number of licensees, when audited did not have CE credits as reported. Either because classes attended did not have CE course approval or the person did not have proof of attendance. Up to 40% of the people audited failed to have adequate credits.
2. Item #8: future dates for meetings
 - a. 2021
 - i. Saturday, March 20, 2021
 - ii. Saturday, July 17, 2021
 - iii. Saturday, November 20, 2021
 - b. 2022
 - i. Saturday, March 19, 2022
 - ii. Saturday, July 23, 2022
 - iii. Saturday, November 19, 2022 (date of the ADEA meeting)

Agenda item #9:

1. Discussion and Possible Action on the Following Proposed Regulatory Package: 16 California Code of Regulations (CCR) Sections 1135, 1136, and 1137: Substantial Relationship Criteria and Criteria for Evaluating Rehabilitation.
 - i. Motion passes 8 to 0

Agenda item #10:

1. Discussion of Proposed Amended Regulatory Package: 16 CCR Section 1107: RDH Course in Periodontal Soft Tissue Curettage, Local Anesthesia, and Nitrous Oxide-Oxygen Analgesia (SLN).
 - a. There was a request to add the Gow Gates injection as an alternative to the IA
 - b. The language of the current CCR states “field injection” therefore the GG is already included
 - c. No changes were made to current language of the CCR
 - d. Motion passes 7 to 1

Agenda item #11:

1. Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed Amended Regulatory Package: 16 CCR Section 1109: Requirements for Courses of Instruction in Radiographic Decision Making (RDM) and Interim Therapeutic Restoration (ITR) for the Registered Dental Hygienist,

Registered Dental Hygienists in Alternative Practice, and Registered Dental Hygienists in Extended Functions.

- a. This CCR also focuses on programs that can teach CPR. The board approved additional programs in CPR/BLS
- b. There were changes made to the CCR to reflect these additions
- c. Motion passes: 8 to 0

Agenda item #12:

1. Discussion and Possible Action on the Following Proposed Regulatory Package: 16 CCR Section 1115. Retired Licensure.
 - a. They modified to add “include a copy of current license if planning to move into retired status”
 - b. Motion passes: 8 to 0

Agenda item #13:

1. Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed Regulatory Package: 16 CCR Section 1123: Clinical Passing Rate.
 - a. Change the wording of this CCR to reflect that there are other providers of the clinical license examination in leu of the CA state clinical license board. Now the wording reflects that each exam will provide their own passing rates and no longer state that the passing rate will be 75%.
 - b. Motion passes: 8 to 0

Agenda item #14:

1. Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed Regulatory Package: 16 CCR Section 1138.1: Unprofessional Conduct.
 - a. Proposal of additional forms of unprofessional conduct.
 - b. Motion passes: 8 to 0

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Agenda item #15:

1. Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed Statutory Language Amendments to Business and Professions Code (BPC) Section 1917.1: Clinical Work Hour Accumulation.
 - a. “License By Credential” (out of state dental hygienists that apply for licensure) changing the requirements to 3 years of clinical hours or full time faculty member within the preceding 5 years or a total of 3000 hours within a 5 year period.
 - b. Discussion was that dental hygienists have many more functions than just clinical work. They proposed expanding this to include dental hygienists that have experience in other aspects of dental hygiene work.
 - c. The vote was to table this item to allow for more research by a subcommittee to review and possibly expand the verbiage to expand the definition of the requirements to LBC
 - d. This above motion passes: 5 to 2
 - e. They will select a subcommittee

Agenda item #16:

1. Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed Statutory Language Amendments to BPC Section 1926.1: Operation of Mobile Dental Hygiene Clinic; Requirements.
 - a. Definitions and slight changes to the wording of the BPC
 - b. Motion passes: 8 to 0

Agenda item #17:

1. Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed Statutory Language Amendments to BPC Section 1926.3: Registered Dental Hygienist in Alternative Practice; Registration; Time Period.
 - a. Currently this board does not have over-sight power to confirm that private practices operated by RDHAP are up to practice standards
 - b. They have changed the wording of BPC to say that the private practices and equipment used by RDHAP may be inspected by the board to confirm that it is at practice standards.
 - c. Motion passes: 8 to 0

Agenda item #18:

1. Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed Statutory Language Amendments to BPC Section 1941: Changes to Accreditation Status (for RDHAP and RDHEF)
 - a. RDHAP and RDHEF programs will fall under the same standards as the accreditation for all RDH programs
 - b. This is a proposal to make additional language changes to current language of the BPC
 - c. Motion passes: 8 to 0 as amended

Agenda item #19:

1. Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed New Statute: BPC Section 1941.6: Patient/Student Record Retention
 - a. How long should patient and student records be retained
 - i. Patient charts for 6 years after last date of treatment
 - ii. Student academic records for 6 years after graduation or leaving program
 1. Transcripts are permanent records and kept for a lifetime
 - b. Discussion was that student academic records should be separated from patient records.
 - i. Many colleges set their own mandates on keeping student academic records.
 - ii. Most student academic records need to be kept for only three years
 - c. Motion fails: 1 to 6 to 1

Agenda item #20:

1. Discussion and Possible Action on Inactive Status Licensure
 - a. Should there be any type of remediation required to change the status from inactive to active?
 - i. After research none of the other boards require this so we do not want to move forward with this
 - b. No discussion

Agenda item #21:

1. Dental Hygiene Educational Program Site Visit Update and Schedule.
 - a. Cypress are not in compliance but are working toward this
 - b. Cabrillo and Oxnard are now in compliance
2. Scheduled site visits that were planned were all cancelled due to COVID but have now been rescheduled. Some were due to new program directors
3. No discussion

Agenda item #22:

1. Enforcement Statistics Report.
 - a. See report included with the materials provided for the meeting

Agenda item #23:

1. Licensing and Examination Statistics Report.
 - a. See report included with the material provided for the meeting

Agenda item #24:

1. Future Agenda Items.

Closed Session – Full Board and Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted by Donna Smith RDH, RDHAP, MSED