DENTAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA
NOTICE OF FULL BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETING AND AGENDAS
May 15-16, 2019
Hilton Anaheim
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WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2019

9:00 A.M. FULL BOARD MEETING – OPEN SESSION

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Establishment of a Quorum

2. Approval of February 7-8, 2019, Board Meeting Minutes

3. Board President Welcome and Report

4. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda
   The Board may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during the Public Comment section that is not included on this agenda, except whether to decide to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting (Government Code §§ 11125 and 11125.7(a)).

5. Report of the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) Staffing and Activities

6. Budget Report
   a. State Dentistry Fund
   b. State Dental Assisting Fund

7. Report on the April 10, 2019, Meeting of the Elective Facial Cosmetic Surgery Permit Credentialing Committee; Discussion and Possible Action to Accept Committee Recommendations for Issuance of Permits

8. Sunset Review
   a. Update on March 5, 2019, Sunset Review Oversight Hearing
   b. Update and Possible Action on Response to the Legislative Oversight Committees’ Background Paper and Current Sunset Review Issues for the Dental Board of California, Submitted Electronically April 3, 2019
   c. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Senator Pan’s Questions Relating to Continuing Education Providers and Conflicts of Interest
   d. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding AB 1519 (Assembly Business and Professions Committee) Healing Arts: Dental Board of California

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e. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Issue #12 Relating to the Dynamex case Identified in the Legislative Oversight Committees’ Background Paper and Current Sunset Review Issues for the Dental Board of California and the Impact of the Following Proposed Legislation:
   i. AB 5 (Gonzalez) Independent Contractors
   ii. AB 71 (Melendez) Independent Contractors and Employees

9. Update and Discussion Regarding the Response Received from the State University of Medicine and Pharmacy “Nicolae Testemitanu” of the Republic of Moldova’s Faculty (School) of Dentistry

10. Enforcement
   a. Review of Enforcement Statistics and Trends
   b. Update on Controlled Substance Utilization Review and Evaluation System (CURES) Report
   c. Update on Implementation of Assembly Bill 149 (Cooper) Relating to Controlled Substance Security Prescription Forms

11. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Meeting Dates for 2020

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION – FULL BOARD
Deliberate and Take Action on Disciplinary Matters
The Board will meet in closed session as authorized by Government Code §11126(c)(3). If the Board is unable to deliberate and take action on all disciplinary matters due to time constraints, it will also meet in closed session on May 16, 2019.

RETURN TO FULL BOARD OPEN SESSION

Recess Until Thursday, May 16, 2019

LICENSING, CERTIFICATION, AND PERMITS COMMITTEE MEETING

OPEN SESSION
A. Call to Order/Roll Call/Establishment of a Quorum

CLOSED SESSION – LICENSING, CERTIFICATION, AND PERMITS COMMITTEE
B. Issuance of New License(s) to Replace Cancelled License(s)
The Committee will meet in closed session as authorized by Government Code §11126(c)(2) to deliberate on applications for issuance of new license(s) to replace cancelled license(s).

C. Grant, Deny or Request Further Evaluation for General Anesthesia Permit Onsite Inspection and Evaluation Failure, pursuant to Title 16 CCR Section 1043.6
The Committee will meet in closed session as authorized by Government Code Section 11126(c)(2) to deliberate whether or not to grant, deny or request further evaluation for a General Anesthesia Permit as it Relates to an Onsite Inspection and Evaluation Failure.

D. Grant, Deny or Request Further Evaluation for Conscious Sedation Permit Onsite Inspection and Evaluation Failure, pursuant to Title 16 CCR Section 1043.6.
The Committee will meet in closed session as authorized by Government Code Section 11126(c)(2) to deliberate on whether or not to grant, deny or request further evaluation for a Conscious Sedation Permit as it Relates to an Onsite Inspection and Evaluation Failure.

RETURN TO COMMITTEE OPEN SESSION

Committee Adjournment

THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2019

9:00 A.M. FULL BOARD MEETING – OPEN SESSION

12. Call to Order/Roll Call/Establishment of a Quorum

13. Executive Officer’s Report


15. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the DHBC’s Proposed Draft Educational Regulatory Language for California Code of Regulations, Title 16, (new) Section 1109 Relating to Radiographic Decision Making and Interim Therapeutic Restoration Courses for the Registered Dental Hygienist (RDH), Registered Dental Hygienists in Alternative Practice (RDHAP), and Registered Dental Hygienists in Extended Functions (RDHEF) – Approval; Curriculum Requirements; Issuance of Approval

16. Examinations
   a. Update on the Portfolio Pathway to Licensure
   b. Western Regional Examination Board (WREB) Report
   c. Presentation by the American Board of Dental Examiners (ADEX)

17. Licensing, Certifications, and Permits
a. Review of Dental Licensure and Permit Statistics

b. General Anesthesia and Conscious Sedation Permit Evaluation Statistics

18. Substance Use Awareness

a. Presentation on California Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (CalAOMS) 2019 Opioid Education Project

b. Diversion Program Report and Statistics

c. Update Regarding the February 26, 2019, and April 23, 2019, Statewide Opioid Safety Workgroup Meeting

19. Legislation

a. 2019 Tentative Legislative Calendar – Information Only

b. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Following Legislation:
   i. AB 193 (Jim Patterson) Professions and Vocations
   ii. AB 316 (Ramos) MediCal: Benefits: Special Dental Care Needs
   iii. AB 476 (Bianca Rubio) DCA: Foreign-Trained Professionals
   iv. AB 544 (Brough) Professions and Vocations: Inactive License Fees
   v. AB 613 (Low) Professions and Vocations: Regulatory Fees
   vi. AB 768 (Brough) Professions and Vocations
   vii. AB 954 (Wood) Dental Services: Third-Party Network Access
   viii. AB 994 (Mathis) Business License Fees: Veterans
   ix. AB 1622 (Carrillo) Family Physicians
   x. SB 154 (Pan) Medi-Cal: Restorative Dental Services
   xi. SB 653 (Chang) Registered Dental Hygienist in Alternative Practice

c. Discussion of Prospective Legislative Proposals
   Stakeholders are encouraged to submit proposals in writing to the board before or during the meeting for possible consideration by the board at a future meeting

20. Regulations

a. Update on Pending Regulatory Packages
   i. Basic Life Support Equivalency Standards (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Sections 1016 and (new) 1016.2)
   ii. Citation and Fine (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Sections 1023.2 and 1023.7)
   iii. Continuing Education Requirements (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Sections 1016 and 1017)
   iv. Dental Assisting Comprehensive Rulemaking (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Division 10, Chapter 3)
v. Determination of Radiographs and Placement of Interim Therapeutic Restorations (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Section 1071.1 (new))
vi. Diversion Committee Membership (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Section 1020.4)
vii. Elective Facial Cosmetic Surgery Permit Application Requirements and Renewal Requirements (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, (new) Sections 1044.6, 1044.7, and 1044.8)
viii. Law and Ethics Exam Score (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Section 1031)
ix. Mobile Dental Clinic and Portable Dental Unit Registration Requirements (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Section 1049)
x. Minimum Standards for Infection Control (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Section 1005)
xi. Substantial Relationship Criteria (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Section 1019 and 1020)

21. Licensing, Certifications, and Permits Committee Report on Closed Session
   The Board may take action on recommendations regarding applications for issuance of new license(s) to replace cancelled license(s) and whether or not to grant, deny, or request further evaluation for a Conscious Sedation Permit as it relates to an onsite inspection and evaluation failure.

22. Board Member Comments on Items Not on the Agenda
   The Board may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during the Board Member Comments section that is not included on this agenda, except whether to decide to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting (Government Code §§ 11125 and 11125.7(a)).

23. Adjournment
DENTAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA
QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 7-8, 2019
Embassy Suites by Hilton San Diego La Jolla
4550 La Jolla Village Drive
San Diego, California 92122

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Rosalinda Olague, RDA, BA
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Thomas Stewart, DDS
Bruce Whitcher, DDS
James Yu, DDS, MS

Staff Present:
Karen M. Fischer, MPA, Executive Officer
Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer
Carlos Alvarez, Enforcement Chief
Tina Vallery, Dental Assisting Manager
Jocelyn Campos, Associate Governmental Program Analyst
Spencer Walker, Legal Counsel

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2019

Agenda Item 1: Call to Order/Roll Call/Establishment of a Quorum
The meeting was called to order by President Fran Burton at 9:05 a.m. Dr. Steve Chan, Board Secretary, called the roll and a quorum was established.

Agenda Item 2: Approval of November 29-30, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes
M/S/C (Whitcher/Chappell-Ingram) to approve the minutes with the following changes:
last paragraph on page 5, correct spelling of last name - Dr. Guy Acheson; page 7, “After much discussion, the Board identified twelve questions to forward to the Rector of the School for a response.” There was no public comment.
The motion passed and the minutes are approved with changes.

Agenda Item 3: Board President Welcome and Report
President Burton welcomed attendees and mentioned that she was honored to serve as Board President this year. She mentioned that most board business this year will be centered around sunset review. She reminded members that the highest priority of the board is protection of the public. She asked that members continue to come prepared to every meeting to ensure a robust discussion prior to making decisions on agenda items. Ms. Burton reported on three meetings she had attended since the November meeting: Conference call with DCA Director Grafillo; Meeting with Agency to discuss preparation for sunset review and the regulatory process; and The Advisory Partnership for the Department of Public Health, Office of Oral Health met to review the two-year work plan and to make recommendations for the next two-year work plan.

Ms. Burton made a presentation on behalf of the Board to Dr. Tom Stewart, past president of the Dental Board for his service as President in 2018. Dr. Stewart was given a plaque of appreciation.

Agenda Item 4: Report of the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) Staffing and Activities
DCA Director Dean Grafillo reported on activities of 2018: convened nine enforcement and licensing work group sessions to share best practices; hosted three Substance Abuse Coordination Committee meetings; held four Director’s Quarterly meetings; and hosted two teleconferences with Board and Bureau leadership. Mr. Grafillo is looking for feedback on how to improve communication between Boards, Bureaus, and DCA. The DCA Annual Report is available now on line. He announced that the first Director’s Quarterly meeting of 2019 will take place on February 25. The agenda will include information on the Executive Officer Salary Study and the new regulations unit. He also mentioned that 2019 is a mandatory reporting year for Sexual Harassment Prevention training. The training is available on-line. He also mentioned that ten boards will
undergo sunset review this year; and that the Dental Board has the full support of the Department during this process.

Agenda Item 5: Budget Report
Ms. Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer, gave the report on the dental fund. The expenditures in this report are based upon the budget report released by the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) in January 2019. This report reflects actual expenditures from July 1, 2018 to October 31, 2018. The Board spent roughly $4.2 million or 30% of its total Dentistry Fund appropriation for FY 2018-19. Of that amount, approximately $2.3 million of the expenditures were for Personnel Services and $1.9 million were for Operating Expense & Equipment (OE&E) for this time period.

For the state dental assisting fund, the report reflects actual expenditures from July 1, 2018 to October 31, 2018. The Board spent roughly $763,000 or 30% of its total Dental Assisting Fund appropriation for this time period. Of that amount, approximately $323,000 of the expenditures were for Personnel Services and $440,000 were for OE&E for this time period.

Ms. Wallace reported that several budget change proposals were submitted in the Governor’s 2019-20 budget. There are approximately 8.7 positions allocated to the Board in fiscal year 2019-20. There was no public comment.

Agenda Item 6: Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Appointments to the Dental Assisting Council (DAC)
Sarah Wallace reported that in May 2018, the Board appointed Cindy Friel Ovard, RDA, to fill the vacancy of one member who is employed as a faculty member of a RDA educational program approved by the Board. The term for the position in which Ms. Ovard was appointed expires in March 2019. Therefore, Board staff recommends Ms. Ovard be reappointed to the same position for a term of four (4) years expiring in March 2023.

M/S/C (Whitcher/McKenzie) to re-appoint Ms. Ovard to the DAC for a term of four years expiring in March 2023. There was no public comment.

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The motion passed.

RECESSED TO CONVENE THE DENTAL ASSISTING COUNCIL (DAC) MEETING – SEE DAC Meeting Minutes.

RETURNED TO FULL BOARD OPEN SESSION AT 10:30 a.m.; took a 15 minute break. Reconvened at 10:45 a.m.

Agenda Item 7: Dental Assisting Council Meeting Report
Dr. Whitcher was asked by DAC Chair Jennifer Rodriguez to give the Council report. The DAC was called to order and established a quorum. The meeting minutes of November 29, 2018 were approved. The election of chair and vice chair was conducted. Jennifer Rodriguez will serve as Chair of the DAC and Rosalinda Olague will serve as Vice Chair. The DAC heard updates on dental assisting program and course applications and RDA program re-evaluations; dental assisting examination statistics; dental assisting licensing statistics; and development of the dental assisting comprehensive rulemaking proposal. There was public comment for items not on the agenda. Stakeholders expressed concerns with the RDA program audits that are currently being conducted by Board staff; offered suggestions for streamlining the audit of the RDA program; and asked that this issue be considered for discussion at a future meeting.

Agenda Item 8: Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Response Received from the State University of Medicine and Pharmacy “Nicolae Testemitanu” of the Republic of Moldova’s Faculty (School) of Dentistry Relating to its Relationship with the University of Moldova USA Inc.
President Burton asked if there were any representatives from the University of Moldova USA Inc. (UMUSA) present at the meeting today. There were none. Ms. Burton explained the process for proceeding with the discussion. Board members were encouraged to pose any additional questions relating to the information that was provided in the board meeting materials. These questions will be forwarded to the State University of Medicine and Pharmacy “Nicolae Testemitanu” of the Republic of Moldova’s Faculty (School) of Dentistry for a response that will be considered at the May, 2019 meeting. Ms. Burton asked the Executive Officer for her comments before the discussion began. Ms. Fischer reported that a letter (dated February 5, 2019) from the Rector was being distributed to members. Board members had received an electronic copy of this letter prior to the meeting. Ms. Fischer reported that after reviewing the responses received from the School since the November meeting, she suggested the Rector consider whether or not his representatives should attend the May 2019 meeting instead of the February meeting. He responded that he agreed with that suggestion. At the same time, Ms. Fischer reported that she sent an email to retired Senator Polanco asking whether or not he would be attending the February meeting. There was no response. Additionally, Ms. Fischer asked the Rector to ensure that the officers of UMUSA Inc attend the February meeting. He indicated that he would do what he could.
Ms. Fischer provided the Board with a summary of where the Board left off in the
discussion of the relationship between State University of Medicine and Pharmacy
“Nicolae Testemitanu” of the Republic of Moldova’s Faculty of Dentistry (School) and
the University of Moldova USA Inc. (UMUSA). At the November 29-30, 2018 meeting,
the Board reviewed and discussed the response to the Board’s October 15, 2018 letter
regarding its relationship with the University of Moldova USA Inc (UMUSA).

Senator Richard Polanco (retired) represented the School during the discussion in
November; and additional questions arose that the School’s representative could not
answer. Therefore, the Board determined that a letter would be sent to the School,
outlining twelve additional questions. The letter, dated December 12, 2018, is included
in the meeting material.

The following documentation was received by the Board since the November 2018
meeting and in response to the December 12th request for additional information:

- Six page letter to Executive Officer Fischer dated 1-14-2019 from Rector Ion
  Ababii in response to the Board’s December 12, 2018 request for further
  clarification
- Statement of Information – University of Moldova USA Inc
- Disclosures of Enrolling in the School of Dentistry of Nicolae Testemitanu or
  USMF
- Collaboration Agreement between the School and UMUSA dated 12-15-2016

Ms. Fischer outlined some of the highlights of the Rector’s response.

Rector Ababii’s letter indicates that the Board’s request for additional information is
linked to the School’s marketing practice in California and its collaboration with UMUSA.
The letter specifies that the School has “self-control over all aspects of its dental training
program … Specifically the School retains full control over considering, evaluating, and
admitting all students, creating and implementing its curriculum, and designing
appropriate mechanisms to ensure that its admitted students receive the proper
professional training.” The letter goes on to say that UMUSA is a separate entity that
provides no training or education and certainly has no control over the setting of the
School’s policies.

Most of the Board’s questions were addressed and documentation was provided as
requested except the following:

- The Board requested the UMUSA tax identification number and a copy of the
  federal and state tax returns filed in 2017 by UMUSA. The School responded that
  it is not in possession of this information nor does the School have access to the
  information.
- The School does not know how the officers of UMUSA are compensated.
The Rector’s response to why the terms of the relationship between the School and UMUSA were never divulged during the site visit conducted by the Board in October 2016 is, in short, “you never asked”. The School indicates that at no point did it intentionally withhold information regarding its affiliation with UMUSA from the California Dental Board during the site evaluation or in the application process.

Ms. Fischer commented that Rector Ababii was responsive to Board questions; and emphasized that the Site Evaluation Team (and therefore the Board) believes that the School has demonstrated compliance with the Board’s educational standards. However, the question currently under consideration is why the relationship between the School and UMUSA was not mentioned during the Board’s site visit; and has there been a violation of CCR 1024.8 relating to control and influence by an outside source of the School's dentistry program.

Dr. Morrow commented that the institutional standards for the School located in Moldova have been met and therefore the Board approved the School. However, the Board should be concerned with the changes that occurred after the approval was granted; and whether the relationship between the School and UMUSA represents a relinquishment of control or influence over the educational program. The Collaborative Agreement represents changes that have been made subsequent to the Site Team evaluation and the Board’s approval; and was signed after the School received Board approval of its educational program.

Many provisions within the Collaboration Agreement indicate that UMUSA has been tasked with much more than what the School’s letter provides. Board members reviewed the collaboration agreement between the School and UMUSA and have additional questions.

Dr. Morrow asked Legal Counsel if there is evidence to support that the collaborative agreement indicates there has been a shift in control. Legal Counsel responded that he believes there are numerous points within the collaboration agreement that indicate there has been a shift in control. Dr. Morrow indicated that he believes there are a number of provisions within the collaborative agreement that support control of the educational program has been relinquished to and/or are unduly influenced by a third party.

Legal Counsel indicated that the School should be given an opportunity to respond to each provision of the Collaboration Agreement and explain how each provision is tied to a marketing plan.

Executive Officer Fischer directed members to the General Provisions Section of the Collaboration Agreement that referenced a:

“training program approved by the Dental Council of California for the students in the IV-Vth year of study of the Faculty of Dentistry of USMF conducting the studies in English and who agreed to pay an additional fee approved by USMF
for the accomplishment of a study program approved by the Dental Council of California, additionally to the integrated higher education studies in order to obtain a certificate confirming the additional studies conducted, which shall allow the graduates of this program to participate in the examinations necessary in the state of California United States of America for the practice of dentistry on its territory."

At no time was the site team presented with any information regarding this program. Moreover, the Board’s approval does not include it. Since CCR section 1024.8(a)(2) requires a foreign dental school to notify the board in writing of, among other things, a change in the school’s mission, purposes or objectives, the School is required to notify the Board of the change. When was this program established?

Dr. Chan commented that sections 2.1.8, 2.1.9, and 2.1.11 mention UMUSA opening a satellite dental practice where it will provide practical training of students. He feels this goes beyond marketing. Is UMUSA acting as a third party in providing dental education at this satellite clinic? Does the authorization by Moldova to allow UMUSA to open a satellite clinic to train students in California qualify as an extramural facility under CCR Section 1025? Dr. Chan went on to comment that there appears to be a strong contradiction between marketing and allowing practical dental training.

Dr. Whitcher noted that there are references to a specific curriculum approved by the Dental Board. Dr. Whitcher didn’t recall approving a different curriculum. What did the site team look at? Dr. Morrow responded that the Site Team evaluated the curriculum and training facilities for the education in Chisinau. The entire educational program was provided within the University and the University’s clinic. There was no portion of the training, either didactic or clinical, that was outside the School’s umbrella. Dr. Morrow went on to say that sending students out to community clinics requires a change in curriculum and an extramural permit from the Board. Changing curriculum requires prior notification to the Board and getting approval to change the curriculum. The Board has received no notification of a change to the curriculum or a change in the program. The Collaboration Agreement goes beyond what the Rector’s letter indicates UMUSA should be doing. What effect does the Collaboration Agreement have on compliance with the institutional standards? This is not what the Board approved. Dr. Morrow stated that supervision of students must be done by the faculty of the School in the extramural facility.

Dr. Le believes that the application should be considered invalid because the School did not disclose its relationship with UMUSA at the time of application. Did the Collaboration Agreement exist at the time of the site visit? Dr Le believes that UMUSA is an additional campus and does not qualify as an extramural facility. UMUSA will build a satellite campus for training. California students of the School will spend the last two years at the satellite campus.

Dr. Stewart agreed with all the comments made thus far and feels the School should be more responsive in explaining its intent to have a satellite clinic in California.
Dr. Yu asked about the ranking of Moldova school? Executive Officer Fischer responded that it is a government school.

Dr. Chan pointed out that the Collaboration Agreement is for three years, but the approval of the School is for seven years. If the third party goes away after three years, what happens?

Dr. Morrow would like the Rector to attend the May 2019 meeting himself and explain item by item how that specific provisions of the Collaboration Agreement relates to marketing?

Dr. Lai has questions about UMUSA and with its financial relationship with USMF. He has questions about the taxes, where the money collected by UMUSA is going, the disparity between the actual tuition and how much UMUSA charges, how much does UMUSA receive? How are the funds being appropriated? The Board is being used as an endorsement for a private company.

Dr. Larin questioned the intention of setting up a satellite clinic as mentioned in section 2.1.8 of the Collaboration Agreement?

Dr. Morrow requested clarification of how the document entitled “Acknowledgements and Disclosure of Enrolling in the School of Dentistry of Nicolae Testemitanu or USMF” is considered marketing?

Dr. Le voiced her concern that there was an intentional omission in the application process that represents an ethical issue.

Ms. Medina asked if the Board is fully equipped to thoroughly look into this issue? She went on to suggest that the Board incorporate language into the application process allows for the approval to be pulled if documentation was not disclosed or purposely omitted.

M/S/C (Burton/Yu) to direct staff to send a letter to the School requesting that it 1) clarify each of the aforementioned provisions; 2) reconcile the School’s response with the Collaboration Agreement; 3) explain why the purpose of the “Acknowledgements and Disclosures of Enrolling in the School of Dentistry of Nicolae Testemitanu or USMF” contains a signature line for a representative of UMUSA; and 4) any additional information that the Board desires.

Dr. Whitcher requested reconciliation between the Schools response (the Rector’s letter) with the Collaboration Agreement. There was no public comment.

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Agenda Item 9A: Enforcement Statistics and Trends
Carlos Alvarez, Enforcement Chief, provided this report which is available in the meeting material published on the Board’s website. There was no public comment.

Agenda Item 9B: Update on the Attorney General’s Annual Report on Accusations Prosecuted for Department of Consumer Affairs Client Agencies in Compliance with Business and Professions Code Section 312.2 – January 1, 2019
Linda Schneider, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Licensing Section, Office of the Attorney General (AG) gave the update. Refer to the Board meeting material for the documentation discussed.

Agenda Item 10: Update on Pending Regulatory Packages:
Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer reported on the pending regulatory packages. Refer to the board meeting material for this information. No action taken. Dr. Stewart asked that there be a review of the regulatory process at a future meeting. Ms. Fischer acknowledged his request. Ms. Wallace commented that the next three agenda items are examples of initiating the regulatory (rulemaking) process. There was no public comment.

Agenda Item 10B: Discussion and Possible Action to Initiate a Rulemaking to Amend California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Sections 1019 and 1020 Relating to Substantial Relationship Criteria and Criteria for Evaluating Rehabilitation
Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer reported. This item is the result of legislation, AB 2138. Refer to the board meeting material for additional information and the specific language approved. The was no public comment.

M/S/C (Burton/Larin) to approve the proposed regulatory language relative to substantial relationship criteria and criteria for evaluating rehabilitation, and direct staff to take all steps necessary to initiate the formal rulemaking process, including noticing the proposed language for 45-day public comment, setting the proposed language for a
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**Agenda Item 10C: Discussion and Possible Action to Initiate a Rulemaking to Amend California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 1020.4 Relating to the Diversion Evaluation Committee Membership**

Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer reported. This item is the result of a staff recommendation. Refer to the board meeting material for additional information and the specific language approved. Claudia Pohl, CDAA did not support the staff recommendation to remove the licensed dental auxiliary member and replace it with a public member.

M/S/C (Stewart/McKenzie) to approve the proposed regulatory language relative to the Diversion Evaluation Committee membership, and direct staff to take all steps necessary to initiate the formal rulemaking process, including noticing the proposed language for 45-day public comment, setting the proposed language for a public hearing, and delegating authority to the Executive Officer to make any technical or non-substantive changes to the rulemaking package. If after the close of the 45-day public comment period and public regulatory hearing, no adverse comments are received, delegate authority to the Executive Officer to make any technical or non-substantive changes to the proposed regulations before completing the rulemaking process and adopt the proposed amendments to California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 1020.4 as noticed in the proposed text.
**Agenda Item 10D: Discussion and Possible Action to Initiate a Rulemaking to Amend California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Sections 1031 Relating to the Passing Score for the Dentistry Law and Ethics Examination**

Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer reported. This item is the result of a recommendation from the Office of Professional Examination Services (OPES). There was discussion and the Board changed the language to the following:

**Section 1031. Supplemental Examinations in California Law and Ethics.**

Prior to issuance of a license, an applicant shall successfully complete achieve a passing score on the supplemental written examinations in California law and ethics.

(a) The examination on California law shall test the applicant’s knowledge of California law as it relates to the practice of dentistry.

(b) The examination on ethics shall test the applicant’s ability to recognize and apply ethical principles as they relate to the practice of dentistry.

(c) A candidate shall be deemed to have passed the examinations if his/her score is at least 75% in each examination.

There was no public comment.

M/S/C (Burton/Chappell-Ingram) to approve the proposed regulatory language relative to the California Dentistry Law and Ethics Examination, and direct staff to take all steps necessary to initiate the formal rulemaking process, including noticing the proposed language for 45-day public comment, setting the proposed language for a public hearing, and delegating authority to the Executive Officer to make any technical or non-
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RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (Full Board and LCP Committee) at 3:50 pm.

Recess Until Friday, February 8, 2019

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2019

Agenda Item 11: Call to Order/Roll Call/Establishment of a Quorum
The meeting was called to order by President Fran Burton at 9:10 a.m. Dr. Steve Chan, Board Secretary, called the roll and a quorum was established.

Agenda Item 12: Executive Officer’s Report
Executive Officer Karen Fischer reported on the new Board Committee assignments, budget for fiscal year 2019-20, on-line voting on discipline, Diversion contract preparation, meet and greet with Deputy Attorney General Daniel McGee, meetings with legislative staff to discuss sunset review issues, various meetings with Agency and CDA Government Affairs Council, teleconference with Dr. Friedrichson and Dr. Morrow regarding ADEA licensure proposal, update on AB 173 requirement to use special printers when ordering scheduled drugs, Governor’s budget briefing with DCA Director’s Office, completed a survey on executive officer salaries, and a staffing report – which included vacancies and new hires.

Agenda Item 13 Report of the Dental Hygiene Board of California (DHBC) Activities
Anthony Lum, Executive Officer of the DHBC, reported on their activities. The DHBC became a board on January 1, 2019 as a result of their Sunset Review legislation. In preparing for this change, the DHBC has been updating the BreEZe computer system, the Board’s website, various documents, and correspondence documents. Additionally, the DHBC has been working on regulations. Mr. Lum provided an update regarding DHBC personnel and educational program evaluations. Ms. Fischer asked whether dental hygiene programs are accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). Mr. Lum responded that they are all CODA approved and that the 27 schools are approved by the DHBC as well.

Dr. Whitcher asked whether the DHBC had given any thought to adopting CODA approval in lieu of the DHBC’s own approval. Mr. Lum responded all of the DHCB’s schools are accredited by CODA. Mr. Whitcher stated that CODA could potentially satisfy the standard and save the Board a substantial amount of work. Mr. Lum responded that they do and that their standards meet many of the requirements the DHBC requires; however, California law has more specific requirements that the schools need to comply with in addition to the CODA standards.

Agenda Item 14A: Update on the Portfolio Pathway to Licensure
Tina Vallery, Dental Assisting Licensing Manager, provided this report. Refer to the board meeting materials on the Board’s website.

Agenda Item 14B: Western Regional Examination Board (WREB) Report
Huong Le, DDS, MA, provided a verbal report regarding the WREB examination. She attended the WREB Dental Examination Review Board (DERB) meeting on an annual basis. The last DERB meeting was in June 2018 and the next one will not take place until June 2019. There have been some minor changes in the WREB examination regarding the administration and scoring.

Dr. Norm Magnuson, immediate past president of WREB, provided a brief summary on what will be happening to the WREB Examination in 2019. Some of the few things that will change in 2019 include: provisional acceptance where students can send in their operative x-rays to WREB (the examiners can review them before the exam); a three-tenth penalty if a candidate had a patient approved from a floor examiner but did not use that patient for that procedure; and making the periodontics/prosthodontic sections optional for taking the WREB.

Dr. Chan asked what the process is to be able to apply to sit for the WREB given the unique position of California with the International schools. Dr. Magnuson replied that the general process is that a student must be in a dental school and if the Dean signs, the student can sit for the exam. A State Board can ask WREB to have a candidate sit for the exam. In this situation, the candidate will need to provide proof that they have gone through an educational program.

Dr. Morrow asked whether WREB has any data regarding the candidate pass rates of first, second, and third attempts, as well as data on candidates who have never passed
and the student will need to complete the required hours and will have to do a specific number of procedures before they can retake the exam again with the Dean’s and State’s approval.

Agenda Item 14C: Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Requiring Successful Completion of Prosthodontics Section of WREB Exam to Qualify for Licensure in California

Karen Fischer, Executive Officer, provided this report which is available in the meeting materials published on the Board’s web site. She reported that as of 2018 WREB students were allowed to opt in or out, depending on the licensure requirements of individual states, of taking the periodontics and prosthodontics sections of the WREB exam. The periodontics and prosthodontics sections were changed to become electives. Recently, the WREB score report now reflects the score for each individual section. Due to the fact that the WREB examination is not currently defined in our statute or regulations, staff will be using only the score for the 3 core sections of the exam as defined by WREB. If a student took prosthodontics and did not pass, they would not be considered as failing the WREB (since that section is optional). Ms. Fischer stated that California does not have specialty licensure. At some point, the Board will need to discuss whether it is important to define what competencies will need to be included for regional examinations.

Dr. Morrow asked whether the WREB exam is still considered approved if it has been changed. Ms. Fischer answered that the competencies have never been defined. Right now, statute authorizes the Board to accept WREB but the Board hasn’t defined the competencies required. The exam is what WREB determines the exam to be and the Board has accepted that regardless of any changes that are made.

Dr. Morrow asked for clarification regarding the reason periodontics is made optional. Dr. Magnuson answered that the hard part with periodontics is that it is a high rate of passing; it does not have the psychometric review as operative or endodontics does. Periodontics does not have a high yield in terms of outcomes.

Gayle Mathe, CDA, asked for clarification regarding whether there is any part in Business and Professions Code Section 139 that assures or looks for equivalency between the examination licensure processes. Ms. Fischer stated that OPES will review WREB and complete a linkage study. OPES would review any regional exam that we
provide in California to determine whether that particular exam is psychometrically sound and legally defensible.

Lisa Okamoto, CDHA, asked whether the opt-in for the periodontics is not a requirement for California candidates and secondly if California candidates are required to opt in, what does this entail. Ms. Fischer answered that if candidates choose to take those sections, it would not be considered as failing WREB.

**Agenda Item 15 A: Presentation Regarding Dental Licensure Examination Reform – Informational Only**

David Lazarchik, DMD, Associate Dean at Western University, presented information regarding the American Dental Educators Association (ADEA) *Compendium of Clinical Competency Assessment* and the *Report of the Task Force on Assessment of Readiness for Practice*. The Board asked questions of Dr. Lazarchik. No action was taken.

**Agenda Item 15B: Review of Dental Licensure and Permit Statistics**

Tina Vallery, Dental Assisting Licensing Manager, provided this report which is available in the meeting materials published on the Board’s web site. There was no public comment.

**Agenda Item 15C: General Anesthesia and Conscious Sedation Permit Evaluation Statistics**

Tina Vallery, Dental Assisting Licensing Manager, provided this report which is available in the meeting materials published on the Board’s web site.

Dr. Lai asked how licensees find criteria on what they need to have before being evaluated. Dr. Whitcher stated that there is a standing posting on the Board’s web site or they can contact the Board’s evaluation coordinator, Jessica Olney.

Dr. Larin asked about the fees associated with obtaining a permit. Ms. Wallace stated that they range but that it is between $500-$600 and the re-evaluation fee is $2,500.

**Agenda Item 16 A: Diversion Program Report and Statistics**

Carlos Alvarez, Enforcement Chief, provided this report which is available in the meeting materials published on the Board’s web site. 

Dr. Stewart asked if there is a standard length of participation in the program. Ms. Fischer stated that they shoot for five years, depending on how the participants are in the program. Oftentimes if it is a condition of probation; if there is an early termination of probation the participant oftentimes drop out of the program.

**Agenda Item 16B: Discussion and Possible Action to Initiate a Rulemaking to Amend California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Sections 1016 and 1017 Relating to Continuing Education Requirements**

Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer reported. This item is the result of legislation, SB 1109. Refer to the board meeting material for additional information and
the specific language approved. The was no public comment. There was discussion and the Board changed the language to Section 1017(a)(4) as follows:

§ 1017. Continuing Education Units Required for Renewal of License or Permit.

(a) As a condition of renewal, all licensees are required to complete continuing education as follows:

(1) Two units of continuing education in Infection Control specific to California regulations as defined in section 1016(b)(1)(A).

(2) Two units of continuing education in the California Dental Practice Act and its related regulations as defined in section 1016(b)(1)(B).

(3) A maximum of four units of a course in Basic Life Support as specified in section 1016(b)(1)(C).

(4) Only dentists shall be required to complete two units of continuing education on pain management, the identification of addiction, risks of addiction, or in the practices of prescribing or dispensing opioids.

M/S/C (Burton/Whitcher) approve the proposed regulatory language as amended relative to continuing education requirements for licensees, and direct staff to take all steps necessary to initiate the formal rulemaking process, including noticing the proposed language for 45-day public comment, setting the proposed language for a public hearing, and delegating authority to the Executive Officer to make any technical or non-substantive change to the rulemaking package. If after the close of the 45-day public comment period and public regulatory hearing, no adverse comments are received, delegate authority to the Executive Officer to make any technical or non-substantive changes to the proposed regulations before completing the rulemaking process, and adopt the proposed amendments to California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 1016, 1017 as noticed in the proposed text.

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Agenda Item 17A: 2019 Tentative Legislative Calendar – Information Only
President Burton reported on this item which is available in the meeting material published on the Board’s website. There was no public comment.

Agenda Item 17B: Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Following Legislation:
Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer reported and provided a summary of legislation the Board is tracking. Refer to the Board meeting material for additional information and the specific bill language. The Board discussed the bills.

M/S/C (Burton/Morrow) to watch the following legislation:
- AB 149 (Cooper) Controlled Substances: Prescriptions
- AB 193 (Patterson) Professions and Vocations
- SB 53 (Wilk) Open Meetings
- SB 154 (Pan) Medi-Cal: Restorative Dental Services

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Agenda Item 17C: Discussion of Prospective Legislative Proposals
Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer, led this discussion. Stakeholders were encouraged to submit proposals and writing to the Board before or during the meeting for possible consideration by the Board at a future meeting. No proposals were submitted. There was no public comment.
Agenda Item 18: Licensing, Certifications, and Permits Committee Report on Closed Session
Dr. Ross Lai, Chair, reported that the Committee met in closed session and considered one application for issuance of a new dental license to replace a cancelled license. Dr. SGJ is approved for a new license to replace a cancelled license but first must take and pass the Dentistry Law and Ethics examination.

The Committee considered ten applications for issuance of a new RDA license to replace a cancelled license.

Applicants JAC, EH, KLJ, KDM, FMM, TDER, EES, TDZ were approved but must take the Registered Dental Assistant Combined (RDAC) examination prior to issuance of a new license. Applicants MC and CZ were approved without conditions.

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The motion passed.

Agenda Item 19: Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda
No public comment.

Agenda Item 20: Board Member Comments on Items Not on the Agenda
Dr. Stewart requested the Board include a future agenda item relative to an overview or review of the Dental Practice Act Course and ethics education.

Dr. Whitcher commented that SB 1109 not only required CE related to opioid prescribing but included a requirement for informed consent when prescribing to minors.

Dr. Lai requested further discussion on teaching permits.
Ms. Fischer noted Board members had earlier requested a review of regional examinations to determine if the members want to outline competencies.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:30 pm.
MEMORANDUM

DATE           April 29, 2019

TO             Members of the Dental Board of California

FROM           Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer
                Dental Board of California

SUBJECT        Agenda Item 3: Board President Welcome and Report

Background:   The President of the Dental Board of California will provide a verbal report.

Action Requested: No action requested.
MEMORANDUM

DATE        April 29, 2019

TO          Members of the Dental Board of California

FROM         Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer
             Dental Board of California

SUBJECT      Agenda Item 5: Report of the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA)
             Staffing and Activities

Background:
A representative from the Department of Consumer Affairs will provide a verbal report.

Action Requested:
No action requested.
MEMORANDUM

DATE May 15, 2019
TO Members of the Dental Board of California
FROM Steve Long, Budget and Contract Analyst
Dental Board of California
SUBJECT Agenda Item 6: Budget Report

Background:
The Board manages two separate funds: 1) the State Dentistry Fund, and 2) the State Dental Assisting Fund. The funds are not comingled. The following is intended to provide a summary of expenses from July 1, 2018 to February 28, 2019 of Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-19 for both funds.

A. State Dentistry Fund
Summary of Expenditures from July 1, 2018 to February 28, 2019:
The Board’s appropriation is consistent with the recently released 2019-20 Governor’s Proposed Budget. The expenditures in this report are based upon the budget report released by the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) in January 2019. This report reflects actual expenditures from July 1, 2018 to February 28, 2019. The Board spent roughly $7.6 million or 54% of its total Dentistry Fund appropriation for FY 2018-19. Of that amount, approximately $4.7 million of the expenditures were for Personnel Services and $2.9 million were for Operating Expense & Equipment (OE&E) for this time period.

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Expenditure Projection:
Attachment 1 displays year-to-date expenditures for the State Dentistry Fund.

Analysis of Fund Condition:
Attachment 1A displays an analysis of the State Dentistry Fund’s condition.
B. State Dental Assisting Fund  
Summary of Expenditures from July 1, 2018 to February 28, 2019:  
The Board's appropriation is consistent with the recently released 2019-20 Governor's Proposed Budget. The expenditures in this report are based upon the budget report released by the DCA in January 2019. This report reflects actual expenditures from July 1, 2018 to February 28, 2019. The Board spent roughly $1.4 million or 54% of its total Dental Assisting Fund appropriation for this time period. Of that amount, approximately $628,000 of the expenditures were for Personnel Services and $748,000 were for OE&E for this time period.

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Expenditure Projection:  
Attachment 2 displays year-to-date expenditures for the State Dental Assisting Fund.

Analysis of Fund Condition:  
Attachment 2A displays the State Dental Assisting Fund’s condition.

Action Requested  
None.
## DENTAL BOARD - FUND 0741

### BUDGET REPORT

**FY 2018-19 EXPENDITURE PROJECTION**

### Preliminary FM 08

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**TOTAL EXPENSE: 11,086,522 11,375,745 12,429,210 14,409,990 7,910,524 36% 12,348,870 1,450,120**

| **SURPLUS/(DEFICIT):** | 10.3% |

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**Agenda Item 6: Budget Report**

**Dental Board of California Meeting**

**May 15-16, 2019**

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0741 - State Dentistry Fund
Analysis of Fund Condition
(Dollars in Thousands)

2019-20 Governor’s Budget

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EXPENDITURES
Disbursements:
1111 Department of Consumer Affairs Program Expenditures (State Operations) | $ 13,703    | $ 14,142   | $ 14,785   |
8880 Financial Information System of California (State Operations) | $ 17        | $ 1        | $ -4       |
9892 Supplemental Pension Payments (State Operations) | $ -         | $ 161      | $ 316      |
9803 Statewide General Administrative Expenditures (Pro Rata) (State Operations) | $ 787       | $ 814      | $ 842      |
Total Expenditures and Expenditure Adjustments | $ 14,577    | $ 15,116   | $ 15,941   |

FUND BALANCE
Reserve for economic uncertainties | $ 5,106     | $ 5,683    | $ 5,537    |

Months in Reserve

4.1  4.3  4.1

NOTES:
* PY 2017-18 BASED ON BUDGET ACT
# DENTAL ASSISTING PROGRAM - FUND 3142
## BUDGET REPORT
### FY 2018-19 EXPENDITURE REPORT PROJECTION

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### SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)

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### 3142 - State Dental Assistant Fund

**Analysis of Fund Condition**

*(Dollars in Thousands)*

#### 2019-20 Governor’s Budget

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| Months in Reserve | 6.1 | 5.0 | 4.2 |

**NOTES:**

* PY 2017-19 BASED ON PRELIMINARY FM 12 REPORTS
MEMORANDUM

DATE         April 29, 2019

TO            Members of the Dental Board of California

FROM          Paige Ragali, Program Coordinator
              Elective Facial Cosmetic Surgery Permit Program

SUBJECT       Agenda Item 7: Report on the April 10, 2019 Meeting of the Elective
              Facial Cosmetic Surgery Permit Credentialing Committee; Discussion
              and Possible Action to Accept Committee Recommendations for
              Issuance of Permit

Background:
The Elective Facial Cosmetic Surgery (EFCS) Permit Credentialing Committee
(Committee) met on April 10, 2019 via video/teleconference.

In closed session, the Committee reviewed two (2) applications. According to statute,
the Committee shall make a recommendation to the Dental Board on whether to issue
or not issue a permit to the applicant. The permit may be unqualified, entitling the permit
holder to perform any facial cosmetic surgical procedure authorized by the statute, or it
may contain limitations if the Credentialing Committee is not satisfied that the applicant
has the training or competence to perform certain classes of procedures, or if the
applicant has not requested to be permitted for all procedures authorized in statute.

The Committee’s recommendation to the Board is as follows:

1. Applicant: Jeremy May, DDS, requested unlimited privileges for Category I (cosmetic
contouring of the osteocartilaginous facial structure, which may include, but not limited
to, rhinoplasty and otoplasty) and Category II (cosmetic soft tissue contouring or
rejuvenation, which may include, but not limited to, facelift, blepharoplasty, facial skin
resurfacing, or lip augmentation).

   The Committee recommends the Board issue a permit for unlimited Category I
   (cosmetic contouring of the osteocartilaginous facial structure, which may
   include, but not limited to, rhinoplasty and otoplasty) and Category II (cosmetic
   soft tissue contouring or rejuvenation, which may include, but not limited to,
   facelift, blepharoplasty, facial skin resurfacing, or lip augmentation) privileges.
2. Applicant: Jay Fedorowicz, DDS, requested unlimited privileges for Category I (cosmetic contouring of the osteocartilaginous facial structure, which may include, but not limited to, rhinoplasty and otoplasty) and Category II (cosmetic soft tissue contouring or rejuvenation, which may include, but not limited to, facelift, blepharoplasty, facial skin resurfacing, or lip augmentation).

The Committee recommends the Board issue a permit for unlimited Category I (cosmetic contouring of the osteocartilaginous facial structure, which may include, but not limited to, rhinoplasty and otoplasty) and Category II (cosmetic soft tissue contouring or rejuvenation) limited to blepharoplasty, facial skin resurfacing, or lip augmentation privileges.

Action Requested:
Staff requests a motion from the Board to:
1. Accept the EFCS Credentialing Committee Report.
2. Issue Jeremy May, DDS, an EFCS Permit for unlimited Category I and Category II privileges; and
3. Issue Jay Fedorowicz, DDS, an EFCS Permit for unlimited Category I and Category II cosmetic soft tissue contouring or rejuvenation, limited to blepharooplasty, facial skin resurfacing, or lip augmentation privileges.
MEMORANDUM

DATE | April 29, 2019
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TO | Members of the Dental Board of California
FROM | Karen Fischer, Executive Officer
SUBJECT | Agenda Item 8(a): Update on the March 5, 2019 Sunset Review Oversight Hearing

The Dental Board of California (Board) appeared before the Assembly Business and Professions Committee and Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee (Committees) on March 5, 2019 for its Joint Sunset Review Oversight Hearing. Ms. Fran Burton, President and Dr. Steven Morrow, Vice President represented the Board. Also attending the hearing were Karen Fischer, Executive Officer, Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer and Carlos Alvarez, Enforcement Chief.

The Board’s testimony included a brief overview of the Board; and responses to following issues:

- Issue #5 – The Registered Dental Assistant Practical Examination
- Issue #6 - The Portfolio Pathway to Licensure
- Issue #7 – Foreign Dental Schools
- Issue #10 – Opioid Crisis

Following the Board’s testimony, members asked additional questions relating to whether or not the Board should pursue a statutory requirement for an oral and maxillofacial surgeon (OMS) to be one of the eight dentists on the board appointed by the Governor; Botox; timeframes for processing consumer complaints; and whether or not the Board should adopt a policy on conflict of interest for continuing education providers. Please refer to the webcast for the responses provided to the Committee members. The webcast of this hearing is archived on Cal Channel and can be found on the following link: http://www.calchannel.com/video-on-demand/

Representatives from the California Dental Association (CDA) and California Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (CalAOMS) testified about their good working relationship with the Board and staff; and recommended the Dental Board of California continue to regulate dentistry in the State. The Committees received letters from CDA and the California Dental Assistants Association. Copies are included.

Agenda Item 8(a): Oversight Hearing Update
Dental Board of California Meeting
May 15-16, 2019
February 26, 2019

The Honorable Evan Low  
Chair, Assembly Business & Professions Committee

The Honorable Steve Glazer  
Chair, Senate Business, Professions and  
Economic Development Committee

RE: Dental Board of California Sunset Review

Dear Assemblymember Low and Senator Glazer:

On behalf of our more than 27,000 member dentists across the state, the California Dental Association is pleased to weigh in on the Dental Board’s (Board) Sunset Review. The California Dental Association (CDA) values the committees’ attention to the issues raised in the Sunset Review report and appreciates the opportunity to contribute to the Sunset Review process. CDA works closely with our members and the Board to address the needs and concerns of patients and the profession in the provision of dental services to Californians.

During the last Sunset Review, CDA’s primary area of concern was the Board’s financial outlook and the substantial fee increases that had occurred in the years just prior to the review. We are pleased that after the Board’s fee audit and deliberate attention on long-range planning, the Board is building its reserves and reports being on solid financial ground.

CDA is also pleased to see a continued focus on the implementation and improvement of the Portfolio dental licensure examination. California has led the way on building an alternative to the conventional examination, which relies on a single, separate test for clinical competency, that instead integrates competency assessments into existing dental education and ongoing patient care. We are glad to see the Board is continuing to take a leadership role on this issue and look forward to working with the Board, the dental schools and the committees to improve not only the test itself, but also its portability for licensure in other states.

Additionally, CDA appreciated the opportunity to have worked closely with the Board, stakeholders, your committees and Sen. Glazer to develop a framework to improve safety in the provision of pediatric dental anesthesia through last year’s SB 501 (Glazer). We understand that there will be significant regulatory work ahead to create the new permitting structure and required education, as well as a change for all dentists who have an existing
sedation permit, but we strongly support the new permit structure and are committed to supporting the Board’s work to ensure a timely and successful implementation.

CDA is also aware that the Board is working to move forward several regulatory proposals, many of which provide needed updates or technical clean up to existing regulations, such as proposals affecting dental-assisting education, continuing dental education, the provision of dental care by mobile dental providers, and others. CDA looks forward to working with the Board to see these much-needed changes come to fruition.

CDA appreciates the committees’ attention to these and the other important matters in the Sunset Review to ensure the safe and effective provision of dental care to Californians; we look forward to continuing to work closely with the Board in the coming years.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 916.554.7340 or brianna.pittman@cd.org if you have questions or need clarification on these or other issues raised in the Board’s Sunset Review report.

Sincerely,

Brianna Pittman-Spencer
Legislative Director

c: Members, Assembly Business & Professions Committee
Members, Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee
February 28, 2019

The Honorable Evan Low  
Chair of the Committee on Business and Professions  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 4202  
Sacramento, CA, 95814

RE: Oversight Hearing – Sunset Review Committee Dental Board of California

Dear Assembly Member Low:

The California Dental Assistants Association has several concerns regarding the Dental Board of California and the Dental Assisting Council. While there has been an improvement in communication and collaboration between stakeholders and the Dental Board, there are still areas of concern that we believe to be important.

Oversight of Programs:
During the last Sunset Review, it was noted by the Dental Assisting community that the Board had not begun its review of existing programs as dictated by the passage of AB2637 in 2009. It was also noted that the educational process of approval and re-approval would be better accomplished with an accrediting agency like the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) which is used for all dental schools and hygiene schools across the country. Yet the Board continues to find reasons to disregard CODA for dental assisting programs. Instead, they utilize staff who have limited dental educational background. This is problematic. It is still our belief that the dental assisting educational programs in California would be better served by a body whose sole purpose is to accredit and re-evaluate educational programs.

This belief has been underscored with the re-approval process of existing RDA programs, which the Board began in 2018. Discussions have begun regarding our concerns of this process, which is seriously flawed.

Regulatory Language Delays:
There has been a persistent delay in revising the dental assisting educational regulations, an issue which was raised in the 2014 Sunset Review. The regulatory package for Radiation Safety was approved by the DAC in 2015 and submitted to the Board; it was then sent back to the Dental Assisting Council without written notice regarding the reason it was rejected.

The Board then began work on a comprehensive regulatory package for dental assisting educational programs, which included stakeholder workshops. These workshops were held beginning in 2016 with the last one held in June 2017. Though the Board continuously states they will have a draft to present ‘at the next board meeting’, none have been presented to date. The delay, as stated by the Board is due to the ‘staff workload’, ‘lack of resources’ and the continuous turnover in the Regulatory Analyst position.

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Another example of this is the multiple times that Ms Greenfield was asked to bring her proposal regarding local anesthesia and nitrous oxide (for the RDAEF) to the DAC and Board only to have the items tabled, pushed back and deferred. Similar delays have not been experienced with legislation brought to the Board relating to dentists, but rather there have been many pieces of legislation moved forward.

**Equity In Governance:**

As a result of the 2010 Sunset Review process, the Board was to establish a Dental Assisting Council to provide a public forum to hear, discuss, and act on all matters pertaining to dental assisting and to bring recommendations to the Board for approval. If approval is not given, the Board is responsible to provide feedback regarding the denial in writing. During the development of the authorizing legislation, dental assisting stakeholders expressed concern over the manner in which the Council would be assembled if the Board appointed and controlled the makeup of the Council. It would potentially be a direct reflection of the Board itself (which is composed of 8 dentists and 1 assistant, an imbalance given the numbers in practice in the field). This we feared would prevent the necessary autonomy to openly and fairly address issues impacting the dental assisting community.

During the 2014 Sunset Review process, it was again noted by Dental Assisting stakeholders that the interests of the dental assisting community would be better served by transferring the authority for the appointment of the DAC members from the Board to the governor. This would ensure that the Council members would be properly vetted and would be consistent with the statute and that appointees would not be subjected to undue influence by the Board members who serve on the Council.

We appreciate your attention to these areas of concern as we move forward in attempting to continue to create an environment of transparency and clear communication throughout the dental community. It is imperative that we trust our leaders and have confidence that our voices and concerns are heard and addressed.

Respectfully submitted,

Shari Becker, CDA, RDA, FADAA
CDAA President
MEMORANDUM

DATE        April 29, 2019

TO          Members of the Dental Board of California

FROM        Karen Fischer, Executive Officer

SUBJECT     Agenda Item 8(b): Update on Response to the Legislative Oversight Committees’ Background Paper and Current Sunset Review Issues for the Dental Board of California, Submitted Electronically April 3, 2019

On February 28, 2019 I emailed Board and Council members the Legislative Oversight Committees’ Background Paper and Current Sunset Review Issues for the Dental Board of California. This information was received prior to the Oversight Hearing on March 5th.

The Board was asked to provide testimony on four items at the hearing: Issue #5 (RDA Practical Examination), Issue #6 (Portfolio), Issue #7 (Foreign Dental Schools) and Issue #10 (Opioids). The remainder of the issues were to be addressed in writing thirty days after the hearing. The following document was submitted electronically on April 3, 2019.

Most of the issues that required a response had been discussed by the Board in open public meetings. Those issues that the Board had not discussed will either appear on the May meeting agenda or at a future board meeting.

I will be walking members through each issue and response. It will be helpful for members to review the document prior to the meeting and to flag those issues upon which you have questions and/or that require further discussion.
RESPONSE TO THE LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEES’ BACKGROUND PAPER AND CURRENT SUNSET REVIEW ISSUES FOR THE DENTAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA
Submitted Electronically April 3, 2019

The Dental Board of California (DBC) is submitting its response to issues identified in the Legislative Oversight Committees’ Background Paper; as well as issues that were identified during the oversight hearing that took place on March 5, 2019.

FISCAL ISSUES

ISSUE #1: Merger of Special Funds. Should the State Dentistry Fund and the State Dental Assisting Fund be merged to simplify and streamline accounting and budgeting processes for the DBC?

Background: Following discussions conducted during the DBC’s last sunset review, board staff researched the feasibility of merging the State Dentistry Fund and the State Dental Assisting Funds, in consultation with the Department of Consumer Affairs’ Budget Office. Staff determined that the merging of the two funds would streamline certain processes. Combining the two separate funds and two separate appropriations into one would create efficiencies in budgeting and accounting processes in the long term and make budgeting issues simpler to understand.

It has been noted that there would be a significant amount of work involved in consolidating the two distinct funds, and statute would have to be amended to accommodate the transition. However, the Department of Consumer Affairs’ Budget Office has stated its belief that the long-term benefits of merging the two funds outweigh the short-term concerns and increased workload. At the May 2017 meeting, the DBC voted to support the merging of the State Dentistry Fund and the State Dental Assisting Fund and directed staff to continue to research and identify the process by which the two funds may be merged; and to include a request to merge the funds as part of the DBC’s Sunset Review Report.

Staff Recommendation: In light of the extensive research that was conducted into the feasibility and benefits of merging the Dentistry and Dental Assisting Funds in the long-term, statute should be amended to facilitate the process of combining the funds.

DBC Response: The DBC agrees with this recommendation and once given the statutory authority to proceed, will work with the Department of Consumer Affairs’ (DCA) Budget Office to merge the Dentistry and Dental Assisting Funds.

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES

ISSUE #2: Dental Hygiene Board. What is the current state of the DBC’s relationship with the Dental Hygiene Board of California, which also regulates licensees involved in the dental profession?

Background: The Dental Hygiene Committee of California was established nearly a decade ago as the only standalone regulatory entity for dental hygienists in the nation. The committee was formally renamed the Dental Hygiene Board (DHBC) following its sunset review in 2018 in recognition of its
functionality as an independent body with fully independent authority to regulate the practice of dental hygiene. The DHBC’s sunset extension vehicle also struck language from statute misleadingly stating that the DHBC was an entity “within the jurisdiction of the Dental Board of California.”

As the exclusive regulator of individuals licensed as registered dental hygienists, registered dental hygienists in alternative practice, and registered dental hygienists in extended functions, the DHBC shares the responsibility for overseeing professionals working in dental offices along with the DBC. Therefore, any discussions regarding potential scope changes or other changes to practice within the range of dental professionals licensed by each entity respectively must therefore be done with open communication and collaboration between the boards. A strong relationship between board staff for the DBC and the DHBC is necessary to promote an ongoing balance of professional practice within the team environment of a dental office.

**Staff Recommendation:** *The DBC should provide the committees with an overview of how it operates collaboratively with the Dental Hygiene Board of California and describe whether any adjustments are being made in light of recent statutory changes made during the DHBC’s latest sunset review.*

**DBC Response:** The executive officers of the DBC and the Dental Hygiene Board of California (DHBC) have enjoyed a collaborative relationship since the breakup of the Committee on Dental Auxiliaries (COMDA) and the formation of the Dental Hygiene Committee of California in 2009. The executive officers accompany their board presidents to each regular meeting to keep each board apprised of the issues of concern and activities of the other board. The lines of communication remain open. The DBC and DHBC work together on enforcement cases when appropriate. The Legislature created the Dental Hygiene Committee (now recognized as a Board) so that it could make independent decisions on issues related to the regulation of the hygienist profession. The DBC anticipates no adjustments are necessary in light of recent statutory changes made during the DHBC’s last sunset review.

### ISSUE #3: Board Attorney. Does the DBC have sufficient legal counsel?

**Background:** Business and Professions Code § 1616 expressly provides the DBC with “full power to … appoint its own attorney, prescribe his duties and fix his compensation.”¹ However, the DBC does not currently have its own dedicated attorney. Legal representation in disciplinary prosecution is provided by the Attorney General’s Licensing Section, and the Department of Consumer Affairs offers counsel as part of the centralized services it provides to boards, as needed to assist with rulemaking, address legal issues that arise, and support compliance with open meeting laws. Dedicated board counsel is, however, considered to provide substantial value when questions of law occur regularly enough to warrant the presence of attorney who specializes in a board’s Practice Act and areas of jurisdiction. It is under this line of thinking that the Legislature has authorized the DBC to appoint its own lawyer, and any reasons for that position remaining unfilled should be discussed before the committees.

**Staff Recommendation:** *The DBC should give an update on the current structure under which the board receives legal advice and representation; inform the committees of whether it believes the hiring of dedicated board counsel, as permitted in statute, would be of substantial benefit; and provide any background on why the board attorney position has not been filled.*

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¹ Pronouns quoted as currently written in statute.
DBC Response: At present, the DCA has control over department legal counsel assignments to specific boards and bureaus. The DCA frequently shifts legal counsel assignments, which creates undue hardship on board and bureau operations. The DBC is currently assigned legal counsel representation from the DCA.

In an effort to promote continuity and stability on highly complex, sensitive, and political legal matters, the DBC believes it is critical to its mission and success that it permanently employs its own Attorney. The DBC submitted a package to establish an Attorney III blanket position at limited term for 24 months in order to address and record the workload that is required of an Attorney III allocation for a future Budget Change Proposal for a permanent position. The recruitment package was submitted to DCA Human Resources in July 2017.

Discussions between the DBC’s Executive Officer and the DCA Deputy Director of Legal Affairs resulted in the recruitment package being suspended and new legal counsel was assigned to the DBC. As a result of the newly assigned legal counsel leaving DCA, the DBC reinitiated the recruitment package, which has been held in the DCA Executive Office since February 21, 2019. As of April 2, the DCA Chief Deputy Director indicated that “the recruitment package is being reviewed and he hopes to have more information to report soon.”

**ISSUE #4: NC Dental. Are there any outstanding concerns that the Supreme Court’s decision in North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners v. FTC could have implications for the DBC?**

**Background:** In 2015, the United States Supreme Court ruled in *North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners v. Federal Trade Commission* (“NC Dental”) that when a state regulatory board features a majority share of active market participants, any allegedly anticompetitive decision-making may not be subject to Parker antitrust litigation immunity unless there is “active state supervision” to ensure that all delegated authority is being executed in the interest of the public and not the private commercial interests of the members.

This case has not yet resulted in any meaningful litigation against public bodies established under California law, and it remains to be seen whether any of the state’s regulatory entities are vulnerable to antitrust claims. However, the *NC Dental* decision remains a persistent topic of discussion for each regulatory body that has since undergone review.

The DBC is a majority-professional member board overseeing the practice of dentistry. However, numerous distinctions between the DBC’s regulatory activities and the facts of the *NC Dental* case make the likelihood of similarly successful antitrust litigation substantially improbable. For example, while the North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners is considered an “agency of the State,” its eight-member board featured six practicing dentists and one practicing dental hygienist, all of whom were elected by practicing licensees within the profession. A single public member was appointed by the Governor to the board. By contrast, the DBC has eight practicing dentists, one registered dental hygienist, one registered dental assistant, and five public members, all of whom are appointed by either the Governor or legislative leadership.

Further, the oversight provided by the Department of Consumer Affairs uniquely confirms the presence of “active state supervision” for purposes of *NC Dental*. The DBC is considered only semi-autonomous, with much of its rulemaking and disciplinary activity subject to involvement by multiple other
governmental entities. The Department of Consumer Affairs has also worked to ensure that members are adequately trained in certain procedures to ensure an adequate record of deliberation for purposes of defense against any potential allegations of antitrust.

**Staff Recommendation:** The DBC should describe what efforts it has taken to ensure its decision-making is subject to sufficient state supervision so as to provide board members with confidence that their actions are covered by Parker immunity from antitrust allegations.

**DBC Response:** As part of the DCA’s Board Member Orientation, it provides members with information and guidance regarding the NC Dental case. The guidance includes the following: Always remember the board’s mission is consumer protection; be cognizant of how a board decision could impact a particular marketplace as compared to the public policy benefits; recognize that individual disciplinary decisions are not likely to trigger antitrust liability; make regulatory and policy decisions after robust discussions that focus on consumer protection, and prepare and retain records and minutes that capture those discussions; and consult with DCA legal counsel as necessary. Additionally, when the DBC promulgates regulations there are 13 levels of review in the initial phase of the regulatory process and 13 levels of review in the final phase of the regulatory process. The process is transparent and allows for public comment and oversight by other state agencies. The DBC has monitored previous legislative attempts in California to provide clarification that the DBC’s actions are covered by Parker immunity from antitrust allegations; appreciates this effort and would continue to support it.

**EDUCATION AND EXAMINATION ISSUES**

**ISSUE #5: RDA Practical Examination. Should the practical examination requirement for registered dental assistants be permanently eliminated?**

**Background:** On April 6, 2017, the DBC voted to suspend the RDA practical examination as a result of the findings of a review conducted by the Office of Professional Examination Services (OPES) within the Department of Consumer Affairs. (As discussed under “Prior Sunset Issues.”) This review was prompted by issues highlighted during the DBC’s last sunset review in 2015, when it was revealed that the average passage rate for the RDA practical examination had dropped from roughly 83% in 2014 to between 19% and 38%. AB 179 (Bonilla) subsequently authorized the DBC to suspend the examination pending the results of the study. This suspension was then extended until January 1, 2020 by AB 1707 (Low).

The OPES report determined that the practical examination did not accurately measure the competency of RDAs and recommended that the DBC immediately suspended the administration of the examination. OPES opined that correcting compliancy with technical and professional standards will require a great deal of time and resources from the DBC and industry and recommended that the DBC initiate a process to evaluate options other than the examination to ensure the competency of a RDA. OPES evaluated the practical examination with regard to reliability of measurement, examiner training and scoring, test administration, test security, and fairness. Specifically, OPES identified that the inconsistencies in different test site conditions, deficiencies in scoring criteria, poor calibration of examiners, and the lack of a clear definition of minimum acceptable competence indicated that the practical examination does not meet critical psychometric standards.
At its August 2017 meeting, the DBC took action to appoint a subcommittee of the DBC to develop alternatives to RDA licensure, other than a practical exam, to bring back for consideration at a future meeting. This subcommittee integrated stakeholder feedback in a workshop. At its November 2017 meeting, the DBC voted to adopt the alternative which requires that eligibility for RDA licensure be based on completion of the current licensure requirements and passage of the RDA written examination and the RDA Law & Ethics written examination, without the practical examination. The DBC has stated its belief that this option was the most reasonable and optimal and will not introduce additional barriers to RDA licensure. The decision is supported by the fact that OPES indicated that the RDA written examinations, along with the fact that RDA duties are supervised by the dentist, places the public at little risk of harm. A practical examination, the DBC believes, would not provide additional public protection beyond that conferred by successful completion of an educational program or a written examination.

**Staff Recommendation:** The DBC should speak to whether it has received any complaints relating to RDAs that have not passed the suspended practical examination; whether it believes a practical examination is essential to measuring competency of RDAs; and whether it believes this examination should be revived effective January 1, 2020 or if its current suspension should be made permanent.

**DBC Response:** During the DBC’s last sunset review in 2015, concerns were raised relating to the passing rate of its Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) practical examination. Discussions surrounding these concerns resulted in the passage of AB 179, authored by Assembly Member Bonilla, that authorized the DBC to suspend the practical examination if a review of the DCA Office of Professional Examination Services (OPES) concluded the practical examination was unnecessary or did not accurately measure the competency of RDAs in California.

The DBC along with the Dental Assisting Council (DAC) determined that an occupational analysis of the RDA profession must be conducted to develop a description of current practice in terms of the actual job tasks that entry-level licensees must be able to perform safely and competently.

The OPES conducted the occupational analysis as requested and the results of the project were also used to ensure the content of written, practical, and law and ethics licensing examinations reflected the knowledge and skills that are critical for public protection.

In addition to the occupational analysis, the OPES conducted a review of the RDA practical examination and recommended the DBC immediately suspend its administration. Further, the OPES concluded there was a relatively low risk of harm to the public from the suspension of the examination because of the other measures in place, such as the requirement for applicants to pass a written examination and RDAs are required to be under general or direct supervision of a licensed dentist. On April 6, 2017, the DBC voted to suspend the administration of the practical examination.

At its August 2017 meeting, the DBC and the DAC considered alternatives, presented by the OPES, relating to assessing the competency of RDA candidates to perform the clinical procedures necessary for licensure. The DBC appointed a subcommittee of its members to evaluate alternatives, other than a practical examination, to bring back to the DBC and DAC for consideration at a future meeting.

After considering feedback received during a stakeholder workshop, the subcommittee recommended alternatives at the November 2017 DBC meeting. Consideration was given not only to public protection, but also whether the new eligibility requirements would eliminate overly restrictive eligibility standards, or standards of practice that unduly limit competition between professionals or place undue burdens on those who want to enter the profession.
Ultimately, the DBC and DAC voted to adopt an alternative to a practical exam which requires eligibility for RDA licensure be based on completion of the current application requirements as established by current law and regulation and successful completion and passing of the RDA written examination and the RDA law & ethics written examination.

The DBC and DAC believe that this option was the most reasonable and optimal and will not introduce additional barriers to RDA licensure. The decision is supported by requiring candidates to take and pass a written examination and once licensed, the duties are supervised by the dentist therefore the public is at little risk of harm. A practical examination would not provide additional public protection beyond that conferred by successful completion of an educational program or a written examination.

Since the suspension of the practical examination in April 2017, the DBC has issued approximately 4,500 RDA licenses. It is important to note, the DBC has not received complaints relating to RDAs licensed without having taken a practical examination.

The DBC does not believe an RDA practical examination is essential to measuring competency to become initially licensed in California because proficiency in performing the RDA abilities occurs after licensure and is related to the RDA gaining further practice and experience in dental offices under the supervision of their employer dentists. Additionally, the supervising dentist is the ultimate judge and arbiter of the extent to which the RDA demonstrates sufficient proficiency to perform duties in the dentist’s office.

Currently, the suspension of the practical examination is only authorized in statute until January 1, 2020. The DBC recommends the current suspension of the RDA practical examination be made permanent and eligibility for RDA licensure be based on completion of the current application requirements as established by current law and regulation and successful completion and passing of the RDA written examination and the RDA law & ethics written examination.

**ISSUE #6: Portfolio Examinations. Is the DBC’s portfolio examination process adequately providing pathways to licensure for dental students as an effective alternative to conventional examinations?**

**Background:** Licensure by portfolio is a recently enacted alternative pathway to licensure as a dentist in California, available to applicants since November 2014. Under portfolio licensure requirements, instead of taking a single examination, students build a portfolio of completed clinical experiences and clinical competency examinations in six subject areas over the normal course of their clinical training during dental school. The portfolio option gives students in California an alternative to being tested on a live patient over the course of one weekend. The applicant’s portfolio is assessed for demonstration of experiences and competencies, following a letter of good standing signed by the dean of the applicant’s dental school. The applicant must also pass Parts I and II of the National Board Written Examinations.

The portfolio option gives students an alternative to being tested on a live patient over the course of one weekend, which is the method of assessing competency used in the Western Regional Examination Board (WREB) exam process, as well as other examinations throughout the country. The portfolio process offers multiple benefits to students and patients, including letting students extend treatment over multiple patient visits, which reduces the stress of a one-time testing event and more closely simulates real-world care. The pathway provides an opportunity for patients to receive follow-up treatment as needed; and provides a method by which students are ready for licensure upon graduation.
Concerns have been raised that because California has the distinction of being one of the first states to pursue this method of qualifying for licensure, dentists who have obtained their license through the portfolio pathway may face difficulties when seeking reciprocal acknowledgment of qualification by other states. The DBC’s successful implementation of licensure by portfolio continues to be an important demonstration of the effectiveness of what could be considered regulatory innovation. However, if applicants are denied license portability as a result of the novel nature of this examination alternative, the DBC should consider whether additional steps should be taken to safeguard licensee mobility.

**Staff Recommendation:** The DBC should characterize the success of licensure by portfolio examination and inform the committees of any issues relating to how this pathway to the dental profession impacts students seeking to practice dentistry within and outside California.

**DBC Response:** The portfolio examination pathway to licensure in California is an example of the effectiveness of innovative methods of dental licensure. The concept of the DBC’s portfolio curriculum integrated clinical examination was born from the idea that no more human subjects would be used for post-graduation clinical licensure examinations. Upon this premise, the DBC moved forward with the development and implementation of a curriculum integrated clinical licensure examination for students graduating from dental schools in California.

The portfolio pathway to licensure allows students to build a portfolio of completed clinical experiences and clinical competency examinations in six subject areas over the course of their clinical training in dental school, instead of taking a single examination on a live patient over the course of a weekend. The portfolio process offers multiple benefits to students and patients, including letting students extend treatment over multiple patient visits, which reduces the stress of a one-time testing event and more closely simulates real-world patient care. The pathway provides an opportunity for patients to receive follow-up treatment as needed; and provides a method by which students are ready for licensure upon graduation.

This pathway to licensure has the full support of the six dental schools in California. However, student participation has dropped. Some have speculated that students are concerned with portability between states, for example, if the student is licensed by the portfolio pathway in California would this license be accepted in another state.

The DBC continues to work with schools and students to respond to challenges presented by this pathway to licensure in California.

During the past four years the DBC has responded to inquiries from other states expressing an interest in the California portfolio model. The DBC has made all material developed from inception to implementation of the portfolio pathway to licensure available on the DBC’s website, including but not limited to the legislation, the consultant psychometric examination reports, and the regulations as well as the candidate and examiner handbooks developed for implementation. Other states now have the roadmap on how to develop and implement California’s curriculum integrated clinical examination should they choose to do so.

A national movement has begun to consider using California’s hybrid portfolio examination as the clinical examination throughout the country. Efforts are being made by the American Dental Association, the American Dental Educators Association, and the American Student Dental Association to promote a compendium of clinical competencies based on California’s program. The
DBC will support this effort and will be working with other state regulatory agencies to promote this pathway to licensure.

**ISSUE #7: Foreign Dental Schools. Should the current process by which the DBC approves foreign dental schools continue?**

**Background:** Statute enacted in 1998 granted the DBC responsibility for approving foreign dental schools, recognizing that “graduates of foreign dental schools who have received an education that is equivalent to that of accredited institutions in the United States and that adequately prepares their students for the practice of dentistry shall be subject to the same licensure requirements as graduates of approved dental schools or colleges.” Schools outside the United States and Canada seeking approval to graduate students eligible for licensure as dentists in California must apply to the DBC and undergo an evaluation process, with renewal applications required every seven years.

The DBC’s investigative process for reviewing applications from foreign dental schools is outlined in regulations. Schools are required to meet basic curriculum requirements as well as administrative and programmatic standards to ensure a certain degree of equivalency with schools operating within the United States. An “onsite inspection and evaluation team” appointed by the board is then responsible for making “a comprehensive, qualitative onsite review of each institution that applies for approval.” This review includes examining documents, inspecting facilities, auditing classes, and interviewing administrators, faculty, and students. Reviewed schools are required to reimburse the DBC for all reasonable costs incurred by staff and the site team relating to the inspection. The DBC must notify the school of whether it has been approved within 225 days of a completed application.

Two foreign dental schools are currently approved by the DBC: The University De La Salle School of Dentistry, located in Leon, Guanajuato, Mexico, and the State of Medicine and Pharmacy “Nicolae Testemintanu” of the Republic of Moldova. The Moldova dental school Moldova received a two-year provisional approval in December 2016 and full approval in May 2018. Subsequently, members of the DBC grew concerned that additional details of the Moldova school’s recruitment program and admission standards were not disclosed in the application or to the DBC site evaluation team during the review.

In the DBC’s November 2018 meeting, the board discussed a recently uncovered flyer advertising the Moldova school titled “Become a dentist… while living in Europe!” The flyer was widely distributed in California through “the University of Moldova USA Inc.”—a separate entity operating an admissions office for the Moldova dental school based in Encino, CA. According to the DBC, the relationship between the dental school and the entity in Encino “was never divulged during the site evaluation conducted in October 2016.” It is apparent that the Moldova dental school has actively recruited students in California, promising DBC-approved dental school education (taught entirely in English) without the need for a four-year college degree. Further, the tuition charged to students recruited in the United States appears to be four times that of Moldovan students.

To date, representatives of the Moldova school have not thoroughly responded to the DBC’s questions and concerns. However, representatives of the school will attend the May 2019 meeting to address the DBC’s concerns. As the DBC continues to debate what appropriate action should be taken concerning
the Moldova school’s approval status, the DBC has concluded that it does not have the resources or expertise to sufficiently evaluate foreign dental schools.

During the DBC’s last sunset review, an issue was raised regarding whether the DBC should “consider heavier reliance on accrediting organizations for foreign school approvals if those options become available.” Currently, dental schools established within the United States but outside California are approved by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA), which further recognizes Canadian dental schools approved by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada. CODA has established an International Accreditation process designed to assess and approve foreign dental schools through robust investigation and evaluation. To date, CODA has yet to approve any foreign dental schools through this lengthy process. However, CODA has begun to evaluate applications for approval, including one submitted by a school in Leon, Guanajuato, Mexico. If it is determined that the role of the DBC in approving foreign dental schools should be reduced, the CODA process may be a desirable alternative.

**Staff Recommendation:** *The DBC should provide background on how foreign dental schools are currently approved and whether accrediting organizations such as CODA should play a larger role in the approval process.*

**DBC Response:** During the prior sunset review, the oversight committee discussed foreign dental school approvals and whether the current process for approving foreign dental schools is sufficient; or whether the DBC should consider heavier reliance on accrediting organizations such as the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) for foreign school approvals.

The legislature recognized the need to ensure that graduates of foreign dental schools who have received an education that is equivalent to that of accredited institutions in the United States and that adequately prepares their students for the practice of dentistry shall be subject to the same licensure requirements in California as graduates of approved dental schools or colleges. The institutional standards upon which the board evaluates foreign dental schools were initially established based upon the CODA standards used for dental schools located within the United States. At the time that this statute went into effect, CODA did not have a program to evaluate international dental schools. While throughout the years CODA has continued to review and revise its standards, the DBC has not kept pace with these changes by updating its regulations.

The DBC acknowledges that the California standards should be updated to reflect the CODA standards, however, completing this update through the regulatory process has proven very arduous. The process by which regulations are updated takes anywhere from 9 to 18 months to become effective. CODA implements revisions of its accreditation standards regularly. Between January 1, 2017 and January 1, 2018, CODA implemented revisions to three (3) of its accreditation standards for dental education programs. If the DBC began the process of bringing its educational standards in line with CODA at this time, it is likely that by the time the process is finished, those standards again will have been revised by CODA. This makes it virtually impossible for the DBC to keep current with CODA’s accreditation standards.

It is important to point out that over the last twenty years, since this statute was created, there have been only three foreign dental schools that have applied for board approval; two have been successful and one did not complete the process.

In addition, statute states, in pertinent part, the following: “the legislature hereby urges all dental schools in this state to provide in their curriculum a two-year course of study that may be utilized by
graduates of foreign dental schools to attain the prerequisites for licensure in California. Since the inception of this statute, five of the six the dental schools in California have established two-year international dentist programs.

Advancements have been made at CODA with regard to international dental school accreditation. In November 2015, the American Dental Association (ADA) House of Delegates supported the establishment of the CODA Standing Committee on International Accreditation (SCIA). CODA now has a rigorous and comprehensive international accreditation program for predoctoral dental education.

Currently there are a number of international dental schools utilizing the CODA consultative services and are in various phases of the accreditation process.

The DBC believes that the best way to meet the legislature’s need to ensure that graduates of foreign dental schools have received an education that is equivalent to that of accredited institutions in the United States is to require foreign dental schools to successfully complete the CODA international consultation and accreditation process that is currently available to all foreign dental schools.

**ENFORCEMENT ISSUES**

**ISSUE #8: Consumer Products. Does the DBC have sufficient oversight over consumer products advertising self-applied corrective treatments for structural or aesthetic oral health conditions?**

**Background:** Within the many professions and occupations regulated in California, the advent of new technologies has enhanced access and ease for service to consumers. Dentistry and oral health is no exception, and individuals seeking a “better smile” are able to participate in a growing marketplace for products enabling consumers to improve their oral health and appearance from the comfort of their homes. Like with all services contained within the scope of a profession licensed by the state, however, there is benefit to analyzing the balance of convenience and any potential risk of consumer harm.

One example of a self-applied dental treatment is teeth whitening, which is estimated to be a $15 billion industry. Numerous methods for whitening teeth are available, from pastes to strips to trays molded to fit a consumer’s teeth. Whitening services are available through licensed dental professionals; however, many products can be ordered online or purchased off the shelf. Based on the method of the whitening product, it is likely that the majority of related consumer products pose little risk of patient harm, so while dentist consultation is valuable and recommended for more intensive treatment, the absence of a licensed professional’s involvement in many teeth whitening products is unlikely to be problematic.

Another growing market for self-applied dental treatments is in the field of orthodontia. Several companies offer aligners that can be customized for the consumer at either a boutique storefront or through an at-home kit mailed to the customer. Through these products, an individual is able to realign the positioning of their teeth into what they believe will be a straighter smile. While companies offering such products describe the mailed aligners as being “reviewed” by a dental professional through the use of remote tele-dentistry, it is possible for a consumer to go through the realignment process without ever actually consulting with a licensed dentist. This may be cause for some concern in light of reported incidents where teeth have been misaligned when using at-home aligners. Dental boards in other states have begun to take action against the marketers of such products, and ongoing litigation has resulted.
Veneers are another product that can be purchased outside of a dental office. Companies offering clip-on veneers allow consumers to improve their oral aesthetics by masking their real teeth with a more attractive surface. These products can also be ordered online and created through at-home impression kits. While companies offering these kinds of veneers will not sell to consumers who self-report the presence of health issues affecting their teeth, there may still be questions of whether any potential harm could result for consumers who do not speak to a licensed dentist before applying such products.

The DBC has stated that it will be “looking closely at tele-dentistry statutes to determine if corporations are interpreting the law too broadly, or whether the DBC should seek statutory language to narrow the application of tele-dentistry in order to ensure public protection.” The DBC has also stated that it will be “gathering background information on the newly recognized specialty of dental radiology to determine whether utilizing dental radiologists, outside the state, would be considered unlicensed activity.” These inquiries by the DBC may ultimately resolve questions about self-applied treatments.

**Staff Recommendation:** The DBC should speak generally to its authority to oversee consumer products aimed at promoting oral health through self-applied corrective treatments and communicate any recommendations for statutory enhancements to the committees.

**DBC Response:** Self-applied dental products are regulated by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and therefore the DBC does not have authority to oversee consumer products aimed at promoting oral health through self-applied corrective treatments. The DBC receives complaints regarding self-applied corrective treatments and investigates for violations of the Dental Practice Act. At a future meeting, the DBC will discuss current statutes and whether or not changes should be made to protect the California consumer.

**ISSUE #9: Enforcement Targets. Does available data relating to enforcement timelines suggest any inefficiencies in discipline cases brought by the DBC in collaboration with the Attorney General?**

**Background:** Enforcement timelines and the DBC’s expediency in resolving complaints against licensees have long been traditional topics in the oversight of the DBC, as it is with other regulatory entities in California. Under the Consumer Protection Enforcement Initiative (CPEI), a series of policies and regulations resulting from a 2010 report, various timeframe targets have been identified for the DBC to complete segments of the enforcement process for the approximately 3,750 complaints received each year. These targets are important for measuring performance, and resolving complaints quickly works to both protect consumers and release good actors from the cloud of an allegation.

Currently, the DBC is meeting many, but not all, of its goals. The target for intake of a complaint is mandated at ten days; the DBC is currently averaging seven days. The target for both intake and investigation of a complaint is 270 days; the DBC is currently averaging 265 days. The 65% of complaints that are ultimately closed without being referred to an investigator are closed within an average of 150 days. For the remaining 35% that are referred to an investigator, the average time to closure is 347 days for non-sworn staff and 449 days for sworn staff. These statistics indicate that delays persist in the investigative phase, which could potentially be due to factors such as vacancy rates within the DBC’s Enforcement Division or the relative challenges of investigating more complex cases.
For complaints that are investigated and then taken through the entire enforcement process in cases seeking formal discipline, the target is 540 days. The current average for this complete process is currently 886 days—arguably a significant gap. It should be noted that for cases that go to hearing, the DBC is not entirely responsible for the timeline. The Attorney General’s office is responsible for handling legal representation for each case, and the Office of Administrative Hearings is typically limited as to the availability of hearing dates and Administrative Law Judges. Factors such as continuances, witness scheduling, criminal trial conflicts, and others may also lead to delays during the enforcement process.

Beginning in 2017, the Attorney General’s office is now annually reporting statistics relating to its role in the discipline process for the client boards and bureaus it represents in hearings. The Attorney General has reiterated the necessary context that not all complaints are equal, and a variety of factors may make the administrative adjudication process take much longer for one case than another. In Fiscal Year 2017-18, a total of 110 accusation matters were referred by the DBC to the Attorney General, with 76 matters ultimately adjudicated.

Reported timelines for the Attorney General’s involvement in cases may be useful to identify where delays are occurring in the DBC’s targets. In Fiscal Year 2017-18, the average number of dates for an accusation to be filed by the Attorney General following referral of a complaint was 131 days. This means that for complex cases investigated by sworn staff, the 540-day target for the DBC’s enforcement process has already been exceeded by the time an accusation is actually filed. The average time from the filing of an accusation to a stipulated settlement is 300 days; the average time to a default decision is 149 days. Complaints that go to through the entire hearing process average 148 days from filing to the Attorney General requesting a hearing date, and from that point until the commencement of a hearing there is an average span of 134 days.

The above statistics from the DBC and the Attorney General supply a useful context to the 886-day average currently applicable to the DBC’s enforcement process. However, it is unlikely that the overall failure to meet the 540-day target is attributable to any one deficiency in any one component of the current system, and it is likely that examination of averages, to some degree, obfuscates the nuances that arise from the unique nature of each individual case. As the Legislature continues its ongoing oversight efforts to improve case timelines for the DBC and other regulatory entities, it should continue to seek a deeper understanding of how case timelines develop and how statute can be improved to better support the board’s enforcement efforts.

**Staff Recommendation:** The DBC should identify what it believes to be any deficiencies in the enforcement process, describe efforts to improve overall enforcement timelines, and offer any available suggestions to improve the current framework for discipline cases brought by the board.

**DBC Response:** The DBC has identified its difficulty to complete the entire enforcement process for cases resulting in formal discipline within the target of 540 days. For the previous four fiscal years, the DBC’s average to complete formal discipline is 886 days. While the DBC is not meeting the expectation of 540 days, the average has improved slightly since the last sunset review period where the average days to complete formal discipline was 998 days. This represents a reduction of 11% of the formal discipline cycle time from the previous sunset review period.

The DBC regularly reviews its enforcement statistics and continues to look for ways to efficiently and effectively improve overall enforcement timelines. In December 2018, the DBC implemented several internal processes which it hopes will improve the formal discipline target days.
• New management processes have been developed as tools for first level managers to measure and monitor staff workload, performance, and expectations.
• Clear workload expectations have been shared with employees; and one-on-one check-ins have been scheduled between the managers and staff to document deficiencies.
• The Department of Consumer Affairs has implemented an Enforcement Work Group where managers from various Boards/Bureaus meet every quarter to work together to help improve timelines, resolve enforcement processes, and to establish best practices.
• Management is conducting (at minimum) quarterly desk audits and/or case reviews with staff in the Complaint and Compliance Unit, Non-sworn personnel in the Investigative Analysis Unit and with sworn personnel (Peace Officers). The case reviews ensure investigative time lines are on track and if cases need to be reprioritized.

The DBC has increased its issuance of citations to address a wider range of violations that can be more efficiently and effectively addressed through the cite and fine process with abatement and/or remedial education, thus filing the more serious allegations with the Attorney General’s Office.

**PRACTICE ISSUES**

**ISSUE #10: Opioid Crisis. What role do dentists play in the ongoing epidemic of opioid abuse and addiction, and how can the DBC support efforts to curb overprescribing within the dental profession?**

**Background:** In October 2017, the White House declared the opioid crisis a public health emergency, formally recognizing what had long been understood to be a growing epidemic responsible for devastation in communities across the country. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, as many as 50,000 Americans died of an opioid overdose in 2016, representing a 28 percent increase over the previous year. Additionally, the number of Americans who died of an overdose of fentanyl and other opioids more than doubled during that time with nearly 20,000 deaths. These death rates compare to, and potentially exceed, those at the height of the AIDS epidemic.

In September 2018, the California Dental Association (CDA) published a special edition of its *Update* newsletter entitled “The Opioid Issue.” In it, CDA members contributed numerous entries discussing the status of the fight against the opioid crisis and the dental profession’s involvement, including a piece entitled *Dentists play crucial role in fighting opioid epidemic.*

According to the article, a 2009 nationwide study “found that dentists were responsible for 8 percent of all opioid prescriptions in the U.S.” and that dentists “were the major prescribers of opioids among the 10- to 19-year-old age group and frequent prescribers of immediate-release opioids, which tend to be more frequently abused than extended-release opioids.” While dentists are less likely to be approached by opioid addicted patients who seek out multiple prescribers, they may be placed at the inception of addiction for many patients who receive their first prescription for legitimate pain management—a concept referred to as “first exposure.” The role of dentists in preventing addiction and abuse of opioids has therefore risen to the heights of the dental profession’s national dialogue.

As prescribers of controlled substances, dentists are required to register with the Department of Justice’s Prescription Drug Monitoring Program, CURES, and as of October 2018 they are required to consult a patient’s prescription history in CURES prior to writing a Schedule II-IV drug for the first time.
According to data provided by the Attorney General, between October 2014 and October 2018, dentists prescribed an average of 700,000 controlled substances per month out of the approximate four million prescriptions that traditionally get entered into CURES each month. Meanwhile, dentists requested a total of 33,597 activity reports from CURES during that four-year time frame. This suggests that dentists were not regular users of CURES prior to the October 2018 mandate despite being significant prescribers of controlled substances.

Legislation chaptered last year authorized the DBC to include “the risks of addiction associated with the use of Schedule II drugs” as a continuing education course required for license renewal. This bill was supported by both the DBC and the CDA. Since its enactment, the DBC has discussed the possibility of promulgating regulations to achieve that purpose. DBC staff recently reported to the board that it had developed proposed language, and the DBC voted to move forward with the regulations at its February 2019 board meeting.

**Staff Recommendation:** The DBC should describe the efforts it has taken to participate in the state’s fight against the opioid crisis, the status of its proposed continuing education mandate regarding Schedule II drugs, and whether the new requirement that dental professionals consult the CURES database prior to prescribing controlled substances has been successful.

DBC Response: The DBC recognizes that dentists play a crucial role in fighting the widespread use and abuse of opioids in the country; and it makes every effort not only to keep informed about strategies to combat the epidemic but also participates in the development of these strategies.

In 2013, the DBC participated in the Medical Board of California’s Prescribing Task Force, which was intended to identify ways to proactively approach and find solutions to the epidemic of prescription drug overdoses and prescribing for pain through education, prevention, best practices, communication and outreach by engaging stakeholders with a vision to significantly reduce prescription drug overdoses. The Medical Board adopted its prescribing guidelines from this discussion.

In the spring of 2014 the Director of the California Department of Health convened an Opioid Misuse and Overdose Prevention Workgroup and invited the DBC to be one of its initial members. The workgroup has changed its name to the Statewide Opioid Safety Workgroup (SOS) and continues to explore opportunities to improve collaboration among state departments working to address this epidemic.

In 2015, the DBC established its own Substance Use Awareness Committee which developed the DBC’s mission statement regarding prescription drug abuse and authorized the creation of a page on the DBC’s website which lists links to educational resources to assist both consumers and licensees. The DBC believes that educating both licensees and consumers on this important issue coincides with our mission of public protection; and therefore, encourages its licensees to learn more about this epidemic and its tragic effects on individuals and their families; and to understand best prescribing practices and patient education methods that can be used when prescribing opioids including prescribing less and alternative pain relievers.

To this end and in support of its commitment to finding a solution to prescription drug abuse, during the 2018 legislative session, the DBC supported the passage of Senate Bill 1109, authored by Senator Bates, which adds “risks of addiction associated with the use of schedule II drugs” to the DBC’s area of continuing education. At its February 2019, meeting the DBC approved regulatory language that would require dentists to take 2 units of mandatory continuing education every two years upon license
renewal. The continuing education will cover pain management, the identification of addiction, and the practices by which opioids are prescribed or dispensed.

Regarding the use of the Controlled Substance Utilization Review and Evaluation System, otherwise known as “CURES”, and whether it has been successful – it is a work in progress.

The DBC recognizes that dentists play a pivotal role in providing quality care, ensuring patient safety, and supporting the improvement of public health. As prescribers of opioids for dental pain management, dentists have a professional responsibility to reduce the misuse and abuse of opioids. The DBC is hopeful that CURES provides a valuable tool to assist in that effort.

**ISSUE #11: Probation Disclosure. Should dental professionals placed on probation by the DBC be required to disclose their probation status to patients in a manner similar to other healing arts licensees?**

**Background:** Last year, Senate Bill 1448 (Hill, Chapter 570, Statutes of 2018) enacted the Patient’s Right to Know Act of 2018, requiring various healing arts licensees on probation for certain offenses to provide their patients with information about their probation status prior to the patient’s first visit following the probationary order beginning July 1, 2019. Licensees covered by the bill include physicians and surgeons, podiatrists, chiropractors, acupuncturists, and naturopathic doctors. The bill did not, however, include dentists. If the ultimate objective of probation disclosure is protecting patients from being unknowingly placed in vulnerable contexts with licensees placed on probation for serious offenses, there is no clear reason as to why dentists should be treated differently and excluded from the patient notification requirement.

**Staff Recommendation:** The DBC should opine on whether probation status disclosure would be a valuable way to protect the public and provide transparency into discipline imposed by the board.

**DBC Response:** The DBC continues to look for ways to ensure public protection when exercising its licensing, regulatory, and disciplinary functions. Regulations were promulgated that require licensed dentists engaged in the practice of dentistry to provide notice to each patient of the fact that the dentist is licensed and regulated by the Dental Board of California; and that complaints against a dentist should be forwarded to the DBC for review and possible disciplinary action. In addition, the notice is required to include the DBC’s telephone number and internet address. This notice is required to be posted prominently in a conspicuous location accessible to public view on the premises where the dentist provides the licensed services. The DBC also posts all disciplinary actions taken against licensees, including but not limited to Accusations, Stipulated Settlements, Decisions, Suspensions, and Revocations on its website for the consumer to review. The DBC actively pursues revocation of a license for violations relating to sexual abuse or misconduct; drug or alcohol abuse; criminal convictions directly involving harm to patient health; and inappropriate prescribing. In these cases, there would likely be no probation and therefore the necessity for probation status disclosure would not be necessary.
ISSUE #12: Dynamex. Does the new test for determining employment status, as prescribed in the court decision Dynamex Operations West Inc. v. Superior Court, have any potential implications for licensees working in the dental profession as independent contractors?

Background: In the spring of 2018, the California Supreme Court issued a decision in Dynamex Operations West, Inc. v. Superior Court (4 Cal.5th 903) that significantly confounded prior assumptions about whether a worker is legally an employee or an independent contractor. In a case involving the classification of delivery drivers, the California Supreme Court adopted a new test for determining if a worker is an independent contractor, which is comprised of three necessary elements:

A. That the worker is free from the control and direction of the hirer in connection with the performance of the work, both under the contract for the performance of such work and in fact;
B. That the worker performs work that is outside the usual course of the hiring entity’s business; and
C. That the worker is customarily engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, or business of the same nature as the work performed for the hiring entity.

Commonly referred to as the “ABC test,” the implications of the Dynamex decision are potentially wide-reaching into numerous fields and industries utilizing workers previously believed to be independent contractors. Occupations regulated by entities under the Department of Consumer Affairs are no exception to this unresolved question of which workers should now be afforded employee status under the law. In the wake of Dynamex, the new ABC test must be applied and interpreted for licensed professionals and those they work with to determine whether the rights and obligations of employees must now be incorporated.

In the case of the dental profession, there are some scenarios in which workers who were previously believed to be independent contractors may in fact be classified as employees. For example, Registered Dental Hygienists in Alternative Practice (RDHAPs) work in a variety of settings, often dividing their time between multiple offices that may not employ a full-time hygienist. RDHAPs are authorized in statute to work as either independent contractors, sole proprietors, or employees. While these hygienists may have believed themselves to be independent contractors, under the ABC test, this status may be in question. Dentists would theoretically exercise some exercise and control over when these hygienists see their patients, and these hygienists would likely comply with the practices of the office they work in. It is also arguable that dental hygiene is not “outside the usual course” of a dental office’s business.

There is a strong potential that other examples of workers within the dental profession whose status may be impacted by the Dynamex decision. While the DBC’s role as a regulator may not have many direct responsibilities relating to the employment status of those working within the profession, these issues nevertheless implicate the rights and responsibilities of licensees and there is a great deal of uncertainty around what dental professionals should expect as dust surrounding the Dynamex decision begins to settle. Whether the DBC has considered the impact of the ruling and if it has any sense as to what impact there may be on the licensed profession is therefore a worthwhile topic of discussion.

Staff Recommendation: The DBC should inform the committees of any discussions it has had about the Dynamex decision and whether the ruling has potential to impact the current landscape of the dental profession.

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2 Bus. & Prof. Code, § 1925
**DBC Response:** The DBC has not received any complaints regarding licensees working in the dental profession as independent contractors. However, the DBC will place this issue on an agenda for discussion at a future meeting.

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**IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES**

**ISSUE #13: Pediatric Anesthesia. Does the DBC anticipate a smooth implementation of Senate Bill 501 (Glazer), a recently enacted measure regarding pediatric dental anesthesia?**

**Background:** Senate Bill 501 (Glazer, Chapter 929, Statutes of 2018) was signed into law last year, serving as the culmination of years of policy discussion that followed the tragic death of a young boy while undergoing dental work under anesthesia. In February 2016, the Senate Committee on Business, Professions and Economic Development sent a letter to the DBC requesting that a subcommittee be formed to investigate pediatric anesthesia in dentistry and requested that information from that investigation be reported back to the Legislature no later than January 1, 2017. The DBC concluded that existing California law was sufficient to provide protection of pediatric patients during dental sedation; however, it made several recommendations to enhance statute and regulations to provide a greater level of public protection.

SB 501 established a series of new requirements and minimal standards for the use of sedation and anesthesia in pediatric dental procedures. Specifically, the bill created a new process for the DBC to issue general anesthesia permit (that may include a pediatric endorsement) as well as moderate and pediatric minimal sedation permits to applicants based on their level of experience and training; and established new requirements for general anesthesia or sedation administered to patients under thirteen years of age. The bill also required the DBC to review data on adverse events related to general anesthesia and sedation and all relevant professional guidelines for purposes of reporting to the Legislature on any relevant findings.

The bill’s provisions governing the use of general anesthesia, deep sedation, moderate sedation, or minimal sedation go into effect beginning January 1, 2022, as well as the new reporting requirement. With the delayed effective date and a substantial amount of regulatory framework likely needed, it is anticipated that the DBC is currently only in the beginning stages of implementing SB 501. However, given the important subject matter of the bill and the significant work needed to put it into effect, it is important that the DBC demonstrate its commitment to a successful implementation that will meet the timelines included in the bill.

**Staff Recommendation:** *The DBC should provide an overview of the actions it has taken to date to prepare for the effective date of SB 501 and discuss any potential obstacles to implementation that may be addressed administratively or by the Legislature.*

**DBC Response:** The DBC will need to promulgate new regulations to update current requirements to meet the updated legislation. Staff has begun to review the legislation to identify any areas which will need to be updated for requirements that may have been overlooked. At this time, no potential obstacles to implementation have been identified other than what was identified during the legislative process relating to the timeframe from the development of the regulatory language to the effective date.
• Current GA permit will become the Deep Sedation/General Anesthesia permit and changes include the following:
  o Initial application requirements
  o Renewal requirements
  o Develop training standards for equivalency in pediatric dental anesthesia related emergencies
  o Monitoring of patients under the age of seven
  o Updating application and renewal forms
  o Updating the wall and pocket license
  o Modify existing IT programs
  o Update website
  o Notify existing permit holders of changes, and provide continuous updates

• Current MGA permit will become the Deep Sedation/Medical General Anesthesia permit and changes include the following:
  o Initial application requirements
  o Renewal requirements
  o Develop training standards for equivalency in pediatric dental anesthesia related emergencies
  o Monitoring of patients under the age of seven
  o Updating application and renewal forms
  o Updating the wall and pocket license
  o Modify existing IT programs
  o Update website
  o Notify existing permit holders of changes, and continuous updates

• Current CS permit will become the Moderate Sedation permit and changes include the following:
  o Initial application requirements
  o Renewal requirements
  o Develop training standards for equivalency in pediatric dental anesthesia related emergencies
  o Monitoring of patients under seven
  o Monitoring of patients age 7 to 13
  o Updating application and renewal forms
  o Updating the wall and pocket license
  o Modify existing IT programs
  o Update website
  o Notify existing permit holders of changes, and provide continuous updates

• Current OCS for Minors permit will no longer be issued. New PMS permit will be initiated, and will include the following:
  o Initial application requirements
  o Renewal requirements
  o Monitoring of patients under 13
  o Create application and renewal forms
- Create a wall and pocket license
- Modify existing IT programs and create new transactions
- Update website
- Notify existing permit holders of changes, and continuous update

- Current OCS for Adult permit will remain with no changes.

Due to the modification of existing permits staff will begin to review the current IT system to identify areas that will need to be modified, as well as identify new requirements that must be created. The configuration, development and testing of the changes cannot be initiated until the regulations become effective. Staff will work closely with the Office of Information Services and the BreEZe vendor to ensure a smooth transition.

The DBC submitted a legislative Budget Change Proposal (BCP) to request additional staff to implement SB 501. This BCP is included in the current Governor’s budget. Once the budget is signed, and after July 1, 2019, recruitment will begin to fill these additional staffing positions and work will begin on developing the regulations.

**TECHNICAL CLEANUP**

**ISSUE #14: Technical Cleanup. Is there a need for technical cleanup?**

**Background:** As the dental profession continues to evolve and new laws are enacted, many provisions of the Business and Professions Code relating to dentistry become outmoded or superfluous. The DBC should recommend cleanup amendments for statute.

**Staff Recommendation:** The DBC should work with the committees to enact any technical changes to the Business and Professions Code needed to add clarity and remove unnecessary language.

**DBC Response:** The DBC supports this recommendation and is happy to work with committee staff to enact any technical changes to the Business and Professions Code needed to add clarity and remove unnecessary language.

**CONTINUED REGULATION OF THE DENTAL PROFESSION**
**BY THE DENTAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA**

**ISSUE #15: Continued Regulation. Should the licensing of dental professionals be continued and be regulated by the Dental Board of California?**

**Background:** The health, safety, and welfare of patients are protected by the presence of a strong licensing and regulatory board with oversight over dental professions. Dentists offer important healing art services requiring substantial training, and they along with allied dental professionals are trusted by millions of Californians to competently provide oral health care advice and perform complex dental procedures. The DBC should be continued with a four-year extension of its sunset date so that the
Legislature may once again review whether the issues and recommendations in this background paper have been sufficiently addressed.

**Staff Recommendation:** *DBC’s current regulation of the dental profession should be continued, to be reviewed once again in four years.*

**DBC Response:** The DBC supports this recommendation.
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At the March 5, 2019 Sunset Review Oversight Hearing, the Dental Board of California (Board) provided an overview of its functions and addressed specific issues identified by the Committees. Senator Pan had comments and questions regarding the Board’s continuing education program.

Specifically, the Board was asked if there is an entity responsible for reviewing continuing education providers for conflict of interest, if there is a conflict of interest policy in place to ensure approved providers are offering relevant continuing education courses and not marketing sessions, and what percentage of providers the Board audits for conflict of interest.

The response to Senator Pan has been provided in the meeting material and follows this memo. The board has not received any complaints regarding conflict of interest of continuing education providers. However, it is staff’s recommendation that the Board consider whether to established standards and criteria designed to ensure separation of promotional activities from continuing dental education activities in the following ways: 1) providers must demonstrate that all educational activities offered are independent of commercial influence, either direct or indirect, and 2) providers must ensure that all financial relationships between the provider and commercial entities, as well as all financial relationships between course planners and faculty and commercial entities are fully disclosed to participants. This could be accomplished through the regulatory process.

**Action Requested:**
1. The Board should consider whether further action is necessary.
2. If the Board considers further action is necessary, direct staff to develop regulatory language to bring back to the Board at a future meeting.
April 30, 2019

The Honorable Richard Pan, M.D.
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 5114
Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: Dental Board of California Continuing Education Requirements

Dear Senator Pan:

At the March 5, 2019 Sunset Review Oversight Hearing, the Dental Board of California (Board) presented before the Senate Committee on Business, Professions and Economic Development and the Assembly Committee on Business and Professions. At the hearing the Board provided an overview of its functions and addressed specific issues identified by the Committees. You had comments and questions regarding the Board’s continuing education program.

Specifically, the Board was asked if there is an entity responsible for reviewing continuing education providers for conflict of interest, if there is a conflict of interest policy in place to ensure approved providers are offering relevant continuing education courses and not marketing sessions, and what percentage of providers the Board audits for conflict of interest.

As part of its continuing education regulatory functions, the Board is responsible for approving continuing education providers. As part of the application, Board-approved providers are required to certify they will only offer courses and issue certificates that meet the requirements of the Board’s regulations. Except for the mandatory courses, the Board does not approve individual courses offered by Board-approved continuing education providers.

To maintain Board-approval, continuing education providers are required to renew their registration biennially. At the time of renewal, the Board-approved provider is required to provide a biennial report listing each of the course titles offered, the 11-digit registration number issued to each course, the number of units issued for each course, the dates of all courses offered, the name and qualifications of each instructor, a summary of the content of each course of study, and a sample of the provider’s written certification issued to participants during the last renewal period.

The Board retains the right and authority to audit or monitor courses given by any provider. The Board may randomly audit a provider for any course submitted for credit by a licensee in addition to any course for which a complaint is received. If an audit is
conducted, the provider is required to submit to the Board the following information and documentation:

- Speaker curriculum vitae;
- Course content outline;
- Educational objectives or outcomes;
- Teaching methods utilized;
- Evidence of registration numbers and units issued to each course; and
- Attendance records and rosters.

Board-approved continuing education providers are required to retain their records for a period of no less than three provider renewal periods. The Board may withdraw or place restrictions on a provider's registration if the provider has disseminated any false or misleading information in connection with the continuing education program, fails to comply with regulations, misrepresents the course offered, makes any false statement on its application or otherwise violates any provision of the Dental Practice Act or the regulations adopted thereunder.

Ultimately, the Board is responsible for reviewing continuing education providers accepted for the purpose of dental licensure in California. There is not another entity or organization available for reviewing continuing education providers for conflict of interest and the Board does not currently have a “conflict of interest” policy or requirement for Board-approved continuing education providers other than what is currently required in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Sections 1016-1017. The Board does not currently conduct audits of providers for conflict of interest. However, providers approved by the American Dental Association (ADA) Continuing Education Recognition Program (CERP) or the Academy of General Dentistry (AGD) Program Approval for Continuing Education (PACE) are required to comply with standards or criteria specifically relating to commercial or promotional conflict of interest requirements.

In 1997 the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) issued a policy statement that states activities designed to market or promote the products of a commercial company (staffed exhibits, live presentations, advertisements, sales activities) are subject to FDA regulation under the labeling and advertising provisions of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. Activities that are independent of commercial influence and non-promotional are not subject to FDA regulation. In this context, the ADA CERP has established standards and criteria designed to ensure separation of promotional activities from continuing dental education activities in the following ways: 1) providers must demonstrate that all educational activities offered are independent of commercial influence, either direct or indirect, and 2) providers must ensure that all financial relationships between the provider and commercial entities, as well as all financial relationships between course planners and faculty and commercial entities are fully disclosed to participants. Additionally, the AGD PACE-approved providers are required to document how they ensure that all educational activities offered are independent of commercial influence, either direct or indirect, and that all financial relationships between the provider and commercial entities, as well as all financial relationships between course planners and faculty and commercial entities, are fully disclosed to participants.
While the Board does not currently have standards or criteria specifically relating to commercial or promotional conflict of interest requirements for its approved providers, such providers are still subject to the requirements of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. As the Board moves through the proposed rulemaking process to amend its continuing education provider requirements in regulation, it will take into consideration the need to specify such requirements and the need to audit providers for conflict of interest.

The Board recognizes your concern and will be discussing the questions you raised at the May board meeting. The Board looks forward to working with you and other Committee members to address continuing education of dental professionals in California; and to ensure the Board’s requirements provide public protection.

Sincerely,

Karen M. Fischer, MPA
Executive Officer
MEMORANDUM

DATE  April 29, 2019

TO  Members of the Dental Board of California

FROM  Karen Fischer, Executive Officer

SUBJECT  Agenda Item 8(d): Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Assembly Bill 1519 (Assembly Business & Professions Committee) Healing Arts: Dental Board of California

As staff prepares for the May meeting, the amendments to the Board’s sunset review legislation (AB 1519) are not in print. Staff has been working closely with the Assembly Business & Professions Committee and has seen draft language of what will eventually appear in print. The Board’s issues that were identified in the Background Report submitted to the Legislature December 1, 2018 have been addressed:

- Combining the funds – dental assisting and dental
- Foreign dental school approval
- RDA practical examination
- Imposition of a two year deadline for using residency pathway to licensure
- Imposition of a five year deadline for using the results of WREB and ADEX
- New license to replace a cancelled license
- Inserting terminology to be able to accept the dean’s delegate signature in lieu of the deans signature on application material
- Language to allow the board to accept “CODA” approved schools
- Hiring of board attorney by July 1, 2020

As soon as the amended bill is in print, copies will be distributed to the Board. It may be necessary to call for a special teleconference meeting to discuss the legislation. You will receive updates as they become available.
An act to amend Sections 1601.1 and 1616.5 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to healing arts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 1519, as introduced, Committee on Business and Professions. Healing arts: Dental Board of California.

Existing law, the Dental Practice Act, provides for the licensure and regulation of dentists and dental assistants by the Dental Board of California and authorizes the board to appoint an executive officer to exercise powers and perform duties delegated by the board to the executive officer. These provisions are in effect only until January 1, 2020, and, upon repeal of those provisions, the board will be subject to review by the appropriate policy committees of the Legislature.

This bill would extend the provisions relating to the Dental Board of California and the executive officer to January 1, 2024.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1601.1 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

(a) There shall be in the Department of Consumer Affairs the Dental Board of California in which the administration of this chapter is vested. The board shall consist of eight practicing
dentists, one registered dental hygienist, one registered dental
assistant, and five public members. Of the eight practicing dentists,
one shall be a member of a faculty of any California dental college,
and one shall be a dentist practicing in a nonprofit community
clinic. The appointing powers, described in Section 1603, may
appoint to the board a person who was a member of the prior board.
The board shall be organized into standing committees dealing
with examinations, enforcement, and other subjects as the board
deems appropriate.

(b) For purposes of this chapter, any reference in this chapter
to the Board of Dental Examiners shall be deemed to refer to the
Dental Board of California.

c) The board shall have all authority previously vested in the
existing board under this chapter. The board may enforce all
disciplinary actions undertaken by the previous board.

(d) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2020,
2024, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute,
that is enacted before January 1, 2020, deletes or extends that date.
repealed. Notwithstanding any other law, the repeal of this section
renders the board subject to review by the appropriate policy
committees of the Legislature.

SEC. 2. Section 1616.5 of the Business and Professions Code
is amended to read:

1616.5. (a) The board, by and with the approval of the director,
may appoint a person exempt from civil service who shall be
designated as an executive officer and who shall exercise the
powers and perform the duties delegated by the board and vested
in him or her the executive officer by this chapter.

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repealed.
MEMORANDUM

DATE       April 29, 2019

TO         Members of the Dental Board of California

FROM       Karen Fischer, Executive Officer

SUBJECT    Agenda Item 8(e): Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Issue #12 Relating to Dynamex Identified in the Legislative Oversight Committees’ Background Paper and Current Sunset Review Issues for the Dental Board of California and the Impact on AB 5 (Gonzalez) and AB 71 (Melendez)

This issue was identified by the Oversight Committees during the sunset review process as a recommendation that the Board inform the Committees of any discussions it has had about the Dynamex decision and whether the ruling has potential to impact the current landscape of the dental profession. To date, the Board has not received any complaints and/or questions regarding the Dynamex Case. Norine Marks, the Board’s Legal Counsel, will provide information on this issue; and will outline the elements of AB 5 (Gonzalez) and AB 71 (Melendez) and the impact of this legislation on the dental profession.

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B. That the worker performs work that is outside the usual course of the hiring entity’s business; and

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C. That the worker is customarily engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, or business of the same nature as the work performed for the hiring entity.

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An act to add Section 2750.3 to the Labor Code, relating to employment.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 5, as amended, Gonzalez. Worker status: independent contractors. Existing law, as established in the case of Dynamex Operations West, Inc. v. Superior Court of Los Angeles (2018) 4 Cal.5th 903 (Dynamex), creates a presumption that a worker who performs services for a hirer is an employee for purposes of claims for wages and benefits arising under wage orders issued by the Industrial Welfare Commission. Existing law requires a 3-part test, commonly known as the “ABC” test, to establish that a worker is an independent contractor for those purposes.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to include provisions within this bill would codify the decision in the Dynamex case and clarify its application. The bill would provide that the factors of the “ABC” test be applied in order to determine the status of a worker as an employee or independent contractor for all provisions of the Labor Code, unless another definition or specification of “employee” is provided. The bill would codify existing exemptions for specified professions that are not subject to wage orders of the Industrial Welfare Commission or the ruling in the Dynamex case. The bill would state that its provisions do not constitute a change in, but are declaratory of, existing law.
The Labor Code makes it a crime for an employer to violate specified provisions of law with regard to an employee. By expanding the definition of an employee for purposes of these provisions, the bill would expand the definition of a crime.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

(a) On April 30, 2018, the California Supreme Court issued a unanimous decision in Dynamex Operations West, Inc. v. Superior Court of Los Angeles, (2018) 4 Cal.5th 903.

(b) In its decision, the Court cited the harm to misclassified workers who lose significant workplace protections, the unfairness to employers who must compete with companies that misclassify, and the loss to the state of needed revenue from companies that use misclassification to avoid obligations such as payment of payroll taxes, payment of premiums for workers compensation, Social Security, unemployment, and disability insurance.

(c) The misclassification of workers as independent contractors has been a significant factor in the erosion of the middle class and the rise in income inequality.

(d) It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this act to include provisions that would codify the decision of the California Supreme Court in Dynamex Operations West, Inc. v. Superior Court of Los Angeles (2018) 4 Cal.5th 903, and would clarify the decision’s application in state law.

SEC. 2. Section 2750.3 is added to the Labor Code, to read:

2750.3. (a) It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this section to include provisions that would codify the decision of the California Supreme Court in Dynamex Operations West, Inc. v.
Superior Court of Los Angeles (2018) 4 Cal.5th 903, and would clarify the decision’s application in state law.

2750.3. (a) For purposes of the provisions of this code, where another definition or specification for the term “employee” is not otherwise provided, and for the wage orders of the Industrial Welfare Commission, a person providing labor or services for remuneration shall be considered an employee unless the hiring entity demonstrates that all of the following conditions are satisfied:

(1) The person is free from the control and direction of the hiring entity in connection with the performance of the work, both under the contract for the performance of the work and in fact.

(2) The person performs work that is outside the usual course of the hiring entity’s business.

(3) The person is customarily engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, or business of the same nature as that involved in the work performed.

(b) This section and the holding in Dynamex Operations West, Inc. v. Superior Court of Los Angeles (2018) 4 Cal.5th 903, do not apply to the following occupations as defined below, and instead, for these occupations only, the employment relationship shall be governed by the test adopted by the California Supreme Court in the case of S. G. Borello & Sons, Inc. v Department of Industrial Relations (1989) 48 Cal.3d 341:

(1) A person or organization who is licensed by the Department of Insurance pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 1621), Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 1760), and Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 1831) of Part 2 of Division 1 of the Insurance Code.

(2) A physician and surgeon licensed by the State of California pursuant to Division 2 (commencing with Section 500) of the Business and Professions Code, performing professional or medical services provided to or by a health care entity, including an entity organized as a sole proprietorship, partnership, or professional corporation as defined in Section 13401 of the Corporations Code.

(3) A securities broker-dealer or investment adviser or their agents and representatives that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority or licensed by the State of California under Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 25210) or Chapter 3 (commencing with
Section 25230) of Division 1 of Part 3 of Title 4 of the Corporations Code.

(4) A direct sales salesperson as described in Section 650 of the Unemployment Insurance Code, so long as the conditions for exclusion from employment under that section are met.

(c) The addition of Section 2750.3 to the Labor Code made by this act does not constitute a change in, but is declaratory of, existing law.

SEC. 3. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.
An act to amend Section 2750.5 of, and to add Section 2750.7 to, the Labor Code, relating to employment.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 71, as amended, Melendez. Employment standards: independent contractors and employees.

Existing law prescribes comprehensive requirements relating to minimum wages, overtime compensation, and standards for working conditions for the protection of employees applicable to an employment relationship. Existing law makes it unlawful for a person or employer to avoid employee status for an individual by voluntarily and knowingly misclassifying that individual as an independent contractor. Existing law authorizes the Labor and Workforce Development Agency to take specified actions against violators of these provisions, authorizes civil penalties, and authorizes the Labor Commissioner to enforce those provisions pursuant to administrative authority or by civil suit.

Existing case law establishes a three-part test, known as the “ABC” test, for determining whether a worker is considered an independent contractor for purposes of specified wage orders. Under this test, a worker is properly considered an independent contractor only if the hiring entity establishes; 1) that the worker is free from the control and direction of the hirer in connection with the performance of the work, both under the contract for performance of the work and in fact; 2) that the worker performs work outside the usual course of the hiring entity’s work.
business; and 3) that the worker is customarily engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, or business of the same nature as the work performed for the hiring entity.

This bill would, instead, require a determination of whether a person is an employee or an independent contractor to be based on a specific multifactor test, including whether the person to whom service is rendered has the right to control the manner and means of accomplishing the result desired, and other identified factors. The bill would make related, conforming changes.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2750.5 of the Labor Code is amended to read:

2750.5. There is a rebuttable presumption affecting the burden of proof that a worker performing services for which a license is required pursuant to Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 7000) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code, or who is performing services for a person who is required to obtain such a license is an employee rather than an independent contractor.

In addition to the factors contained in Section 2750.7, any person performing any function or activity for which a license is required pursuant to Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 7000) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code shall hold a valid contractors’ license as a condition of having independent contractor status.

For purposes of workers’ compensation law, this presumption is a supplement to the existing statutory definitions of employee and independent contractor, and is not intended to lessen the coverage of employees under Division 4 and Division 5.

SEC. 2. Section 2750.7 is added to the Labor Code, to read:

2750.7. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, a determination of whether a person is an employee or an independent contractor for the purposes of this division shall be based on the multifactor test set forth in S.G. Borello & Sons, Inc. v. Department of Industrial Relations.

(b) These factors include, but are not limited to, the following:
(1) Whether the person to whom service is rendered has the right to control the manner and means of accomplishing the result desired, which is the principal factor.

(2) Whether the one performing services is engaged in a distinct occupation or business.

(3) The kind of occupation, with reference to whether, in the locality, the work is usually done under the direction of the principal or by a specialist without supervision.

(4) The skill required in the particular occupation.

(5) Whether the principal or the worker supplies the instrumentalities, tools, and the place of work for the person doing the work.

(6) The length of time for which the services are to be performed.

(7) The method of payment, whether by the time or by the job.

(8) The right to discharge at will, without cause.

(9) Whether or not the work is part of the regular business of the principal.

(10) Whether or not the parties believe they are creating the relationship of employer-employee.

(c) The individual factors set forth in subdivision (b) above shall not be applied mechanically as separate tests, but shall be intertwined.

(d) The test set forth in this section shall apply to any determinations before an administrative agency or court.
MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 29, 2019

TO: Members of the Dental Board of California

FROM: Karen Fischer, Executive Officer

SUBJECT: Agenda Item 9: Update and Discussion Regarding the Response Received from the State University of Medicine and Pharmacy “Nicolae Testemitanu” of the Republic of Moldova’s Faculty (School) of Dentistry.

Following this cover memo is a copy of the February 22, 2019 letter from the Board’s Executive Officer to the Rector at State University of Medicine and Pharmacy “Nicolae Testemitanu” of the Republic of Moldova’s Faculty (School) of Dentistry; and the Rector’s response, dated March 29, 2019.

Two representatives from State University of Medicine and Pharmacy “Nicolae Testemitanu” of the Republic of Moldova’s Faculty (School) of Dentistry will be attending the May Board meeting and will be available to answer any additional questions.

The representatives are Vice-rector Mihail Gavriliuc and Dean Sergiu Ciobanu.

Action Requested:
None
February 22, 2019

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RE:  Additional Information Requested – Response Requested by April 1, 2019

Dear Dr. Ababii:

Thank you for your continued response to Dental Board of California (Board) questions relating to the relationship between State University of Medicine and Pharmacy “Nicolae Testemitanu” of the Republic of Moldova – Faculty of Dentistry (USMF) and the University of Moldova, USA, Inc (UMUSA). You have strongly argued that UMUSA handles marketing practices in California and coordinates the process for students in California to apply to dental school at USMF. You have also mentioned in prior correspondence (January 14, 2019) that “USMF exercises sole control over all aspects of its dental training program, including all admissions decisions, the setting of the curriculum, all educational programming, grading and training.”

The Board met February 7, 2019 to review the documentation it received from you January 14, 2019:

- Six page letter to Executive Officer Fischer dated 1-14-2019 from Rector Ion Ababii in response to the Board’s December 12, 2018 request for further clarification
- Statement of Information – University of Moldova USA Inc
- Disclosures of Enrolling in the School of Dentistry of Nicolae Testemitanu or USMF
- Collaboration Agreement between the School and UMUSA dated 12-15-2016

The Collaboration Agreement represents changes that have been made to the dental program subsequent to the Site Team evaluation and the Board’s approval; and was signed after the USMF received Board approval of its educational program.

Based on a review of the above mention documents, the Board is requesting that you provide additional information. The Board believes that there is evidence to support that
there has been a “shift in control” of the dental education program of USMF as outlined in the provisions of the Collaboration Agreement between USMF and UMUSA. It is now up to you to explain why you disagree with the Board.

Specifically, the Board requests that you explain how the following provisions of the Collaboration Agreement support your belief that UMUSA is providing marketing services only.

2.1.1 UMUSA shall be the sole representative of USMF having exclusive authority to represent USMF on the USA territory and other countries for the organization and conduction of the admission of foreign citizens to the programs of studies approved by the Dental Council of California and performed in USMF.

2.1.2 The exclusive privilege of UMUSA to represent USMF on the USA territory and other countries shall last only for the validity period of this agreement.

2.1.5 The programs of studies approved by the Dental Council of California and performed in USMF shall be carried out in coordination with the requests of UMUSA and final approval of USMF.

2.1.6 Manuals, materials, instruments and equipment (hereinafter goods) used in order to accomplish the programs of studies approved by the Dental Council of California and performed in USMF, need to be equivalent or similar to those used by the dental schools in California. UMUSA undertakes to inform USMF and provide the necessary support, both financial and informational, in order to ensure USMF with the goods necessary to accomplish the programs of studies approved by the Dental Council of California and performed in USMF. Students admitted to the programs of studies approved by the Dental Council of California and performed in USMF shall be responsible for bearing and payment of all costs for their own manuals, teaching materials, technique, equipment and medical tools, material and consumables and other goods necessary for the studies.

2.1.8 USMF shall have no objection against UMUSA for opening a satellite dental practice in California, USA where it shall perform the practical training of students admitted to the programs of the Dental Council of California performed in USMF. The purpose of the dental practice shall be the accumulation of practical experience by the students enrolled in the programs of studies of the Dental Council of California and performed in USMF concerning the treatment of patients in California according to the study program approved by USMF. USMF shall have no financial or administrative authority over this dental practice.

2.1.9 UMUSA shall ensure and bear all expenses necessary for the of travel physician, specialists and experts from the USA to the headquarters of USMF in order to conduct the theoretical and practical training of the students following the programs of studies of the Dental Counsel of California and performed in USMF and who will practice dentistry in California. Optionally, the students admitted to the programs of study approved by
Dental Council of California and performed in USMF shall have the opportunity to carry out the practical training within the satellite dental practice founded by UMUSA in California, USA from their own financial resources or those of UMUSA.

2.1.10 The programs of studies approved by the Dental Council of California and performed in USMF shall be synchronized with the availability of the physicians and experts invited by UMUSA.

2.1.11 UMUSA shall ensure the necessary training of the teaching staff of USMF on the USA territory in order to prepare them to train the students admitted to the programs of studies approved by the Dental Council of California and performed in USMF who will practice dentistry in California, USA ensuring the payment of all necessary financial expenses from the account of UMUSA.

2.1.13 USMF (Deanship of Dentistry) together with UMUSA shall develop and approve the forms of the documents necessary for the application for studies of the candidates to one of the programs of the Dental Council of California performed in USMF.

2.1.15 UMUSA undertakes to mandatorily coordinate in advance all activities necessary for organizing and carrying out the admission examination of the candidates to one of the programs of the Dental Council of California performed in USMF on the USA territory.

2.1.16 USMF shall not be entitled to amend and/or make additions in the study program (academic curriculum) approved by the Dental Council of California for the accomplishment of the programs of studies approved by the Dental Council of California and performed in USMF. After the suggestions and recommendations made by UMUSA, both contractual parties shall negotiate the terms and the amount of time required for the implementation of such amendments and/or additions carried out by the USMF.

3.1 Each candidate applying for admission to one of the programs of studies approved by the Dental Council of California and performed in USMF shall pay the participation fee approved by USMF to it’s the [sic] bank account and pass an admission examination approved by USMF and UMUSA and carry out an interview with the Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry of USMF or another person authorized by the USMF to assess the compliance with all admission criteria of USMF.

3.2 The admission examination for the candidates applying for admission to one of the programs of studies approved by the Dental Council of California and performed in USMF shall be organized and conducted by UMUSA on the USA territory in accordance with the materials and conditions set by USMF, and on the territory of the Republic of Moldova, the admission examination shall be organized and conducted by USMF.

3.3 UMUSA shall provide and carry out all necessary activities for USMF in order to extend the accreditation period of the Faculty of Dentistry of USMF by the Dental
Council of California and the Council on Dental Accreditation of the United States of America.

3.4 UMUSA shall assist and help USMF in completing and processing all documents necessary for the extension of the authorization and/or accreditation of the relevant institution from the United States of America, ensuring the payment of all the necessary financial expenses from the account of UMUSA.

3.5 UMUSA shall remunerate the employees of USMF who will carry out activities for the purpose of fulfilling the condition for the extension of the accreditation required by the Dental Council of California and/or the Council on Dental Accreditation of the United States of America.

3.6 UMUSA shall bear the financial costs related to the extension of the accreditation or other necessary authorizations required by any of the relevant institutions from the USA. These include the cost of the application examination, the cost of the round trip, other transport costs on the territory of California, USA, the cost of the daily allowances of the employees who will be acting as official representatives of USMF, who will have to visit UMUSA, California and/or the USA.

3.7 In order the [sic] foreign students are admitted through UMUSA to the programs of the Dental Council of California performed in USMF, UMUSA undertakes to conclude a collaboration agreement with USMF on medical training of foreign citizens for the purpose of enrollment of the students in USMF under the present agreement and a trilateral agreement and a trilateral agreement to be signed by UMUSA, USMF and the student.

3.8 UMUSA undertakes to place on its websites and/or social networks, information coordinated in advance with USMF with the content approved by the latter.

4.2 UMUSA will inform USMF about the possible need to amend the program of study to implement the programs of the Dental Council of California and performed in USMF.

For your clarification, the Board had no knowledge of the existence of UMUSA until after USMF received Board approval. Retired Senator Polanco represented himself as the USMF representative (lobbyist), but never indicated he was party to the establishment of a third party entity engaged in a collaboration agreement with USMF.

Also of concern to the Board is the establishment a training program for 4th and 5th year students provided in English for an additional fee as outlined in the Collaboration Agreement under general provisions which provides as follows:

"The training program approved by the Dental Council of California for the students in the IV-Vth year of study of the Faculty of Dentistry of USMF conducting the studies in English and who agreed to pay an additional fee approved by USMF for the accomplishment of a study program approved by
the Dental Council of California, additionally to the integrated higher education studies in order to obtain a certificate confirming the additional studies conducted, which shall allow the graduates of this program to participate in the examinations necessary in the state of California United States of America for the practice of dentistry on its territory.

At no time was the Site Team presented with any information regarding this program. Moreover, the Board’s approval does not include it. Since CCR section 1024.8(a)(2) requires a foreign dental school to notify the board in writing of, among other things, a change in the school’s mission, purposes or objectives; the School was required to notify the Board of this change.

The Board is additionally concerned with the establishment of a satellite dental practice in California. Explain the intent of setting up a satellite dental practice as mentioned in provision 2.1.8 of the Collaboration Agreement.

Explain “Acknowledgements and Disclosures of Enrolling in the School of Dentistry of Nicolae Testemitanu or USMF”. Why does it include reference to UMUSA if UMUSA is utilized for marketing only?

The Board has expressed concern that USMF cannot explain any financial details relating to UMUSA involvement with the USMF dental program. Your comments on this issue are appreciated.

The Board seeks further clarification regarding the “Dental Council of California” referenced in the Collaboration Agreement. Is this the Dental Board of California or another entity?

The Board asks that you respond to these questions in writing by April 1, 2019. We look forward to meeting with your representatives in May in Anaheim, California.

Sincerely,

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Re: February 22, 2019 letter to State University of Medicine and Pharmacy “Nicolae Testemitanu” of the Republic of Moldova–Faculty of Dentistry (“USMF”)

Dear Ms. Fischer:

This letter responds to the California Dental Board’s February 22, 2019 letter stating that, based on the collaboration agreement with Moldova USA, it believes that there has been a “shift in control” of USMF’s dental program and requesting explanations of various provisions. As a preliminary matter, USMF is concerned that the Board appears to be acting prematurely about the collaboration agreement with Moldova USA, which in no way changed the “ownership and management” of our public university and cannot represent a “shift in control” of USMF.

As addressed in our prior letter of February 6, 2019, the collaboration agreement between USMF and Moldova USA did not cause a change in control, nor was it ever intended to do so. USMF remains the same institution that the Board approved, and there are no facts to show that a change of control has in fact occurred, let alone a “shift or change” that would threaten to bring USMF’s program out of compliance with the Institutional Standards required of foreign dental schools. Moreover, it is California’s laws and regulations, and not the collaboration agreement, that govern how USMF maintains its approved dental program. To that end, the agreement was meant to define the consulting relationship and set out parameters for different anticipated scenarios, but all laws and regulations would have to be followed and all necessary approvals would have to be obtained.
To be clear, USMF is a public educational institution founded under the authority of Moldova’s Ministry of Education and Moldova’s Ministry of Health. USMF exercises sole control over all aspects of its dental training program, including full control over considering, evaluating, and admitting all students, creating and implementing its curriculum, and designing appropriate mechanisms to ensure that its admitted students receive the proper professional training. The school charter remains intact and ownership of USMF remains solely in the hands of the Republic of Moldova. No collaboration agreement can alter USMF’s program or threaten its compliance with the Dental Board’s Institutional Standards or any other standard set out in California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Chapter 2, Section 1024.1.

As you know, USMF submitted to this Board’s rigorous and thorough application and site evaluation process, and after proving that its dental training program was equivalent to that of similar institutions in the United States, USMF was approved as one of two foreign dental schools. See Cal. Bus. & Prof Code § 1636.4(d) (“[T]he educational program of the foreign dental school is equivalent to that of similar [] institutions in the [U.S.] and adequately prepares its students for the practice of dentistry.”). Through that process, USMF proved compliance with 12 Institutional Standards, including: (1) mission, purpose, and objectives; (2) admissions policies; (3) curriculum; (4) faculty and staff; and (5) ownership and management.1 See 16 CCR § 1024.1.

USMF remains committed to fulfilling its role as an approved foreign dental school and hereby responds to the Board’s questions into certain provisions of the collaboration agreement. As a preliminary note, USMF has been clear that Moldova USA handles not only marketing and branding, but also coordination and support services for USMF with respect to the students who come from California. USMF intends to work with Moldova USA to assist USMF graduates get the necessary support to obtain licensure in California. This arrangement does not undermine or affect USMF’s compliance with the Institutional Standards. Indeed, the Dental Board’s licensure of

1 See also. Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 1636.4(d) (“Curriculum, faculty qualifications, student attendance, plant and facilities, and other relevant factors shall be reviewed and evaluated”).
students is governed by a process wholly separate from the Institutional Standards. Accordingly, USMF provides the following clarifying responses in hopes that the matter will be resolved. For convenience, the responses are grouped into related paragraphs when possible:

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**Paragraphs 2.1.1-2.1.2:**

These paragraphs clearly show that the collaboration agreement created the opposite of a change in control. On the one hand, these paragraphs establish that USMF and Moldova USA have an exclusive relationship for marketing and coordination services related to the matriculation of foreign students into USMF’s Board approved dental program. The agreement’s exclusivity benefits USMF as it need only coordinate with one foreign entity as a liaison in California to assist with coordination of admission exams, the dissemination of informational materials, and admission interviews by USMF faculty. On the other hand, while USMF is a permanent partner of the Board, its relationship with Moldova USA is effective for a predetermined period, and USMF is free to terminate its relationship with or replace Moldova USA at any time.

**Paragraph 2.1.5**

Nothing in this paragraph evidence a change of control. In fact, under the paragraph, USMF retains control over its governance, academics, and other related matter. This paragraph is intended to ensure that USMF will receive assistance from Moldova USA regarding coordination of the non-academic aspects of its dental program. This includes the coordination of admissions exams, outreach, travel plans, and interviews by the dental program’s Dean of Faculty. USMF relies on Moldova USA for these services to help USMF broaden its visibility with respect to prospective

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2 In addition to attending a Board approved school, a graduate who wishes to practice in the United States would still have to pass the National Board exams, the Western Regional Examination, and meet any other state requirements for licensure.
applicants. However, as with any and all provisions in this agreement, and as stated in this provision, any and all requests and recommendations from Moldova USA are contingent on the final approval of USMF.

**Paragraph 2.1.6**

Also showing no change in control, this paragraph requires Moldova USA to keep USMF apprised of any and all possible developments that would impact its approval as a foreign dental school. As USMF values its partnership with the California Dental Board, this paragraph was designed to ensure that USMF receives the information it needs for continued compliance with California’s Institutional Standards for dental schools. While USMF may obtain the information from the Board or other sources, it makes Moldova USA, a California based entity, responsible for following and reporting back on changes as well.

**Paragraphs 2.1.8-2.1.9**

As noted in our prior letter of February 6, 2019, a satellite dental practice to train USMF dental students has never been implemented. If USMF were ever to utilize a satellite dental office to support the dental school, it would file the necessary application and follow all regulations in 16 CCR section 1025 for “Extramural Dental Facilities,” as well as any other applicable laws, regulations and Dental Board requirements. However, there has been no discussion of this happening, although partnerships such as these are not unique, and it is common practice for dental schools to partner with local California clinics. This type of arrangement does not implicate a shift or change in control of a dental school’s program, and would be similar to the UCLA School of Dentistry’s recent collaboration with Delta Dental to train students and provide healthcare.
Paragraphs 2.1.10-2.1.11

These paragraphs ensure that USMF can obtain helpful recommendations from Moldova USA to meet the needs of its future California practitioners while reserving full control and authority over its teaching program. The USMF dental program is designed to ensure that its graduates are competent in all aspects of dental care, including ethics and professionalism, oral health care, practice management, and other relevant fields. However, there are certain aspects of dental care practice that are specific to California practitioners, such as understanding HIPAA and other laws, and preparing for the Western Regional Examining Board and the California Law and Ethics exam. The intent of these paragraphs is to allow USMF to connect with California dental professionals who can potentially provide certain expertise, similar to an adjunct professor teaching a particular course at a University or a prep course instructor for graduating students. Similarly, these professionals would allow USMF’s representatives to become more familiar with California specific practices. Although nothing contemplated by these paragraphs has happened, the provisions ensure that Moldova USA agrees to serve as USMF’s liaison to find potential candidates for USMF to choose from. As always, USMF retains ultimate and full authority of its teaching program and who it hires as dental faculty and staff.

Paragraphs 2.1.13; 2.1.15

In these paragraphs, Moldova USA agrees to help coordinate admissions exams, such as setting time and location, and to assist USMF with creating forms for capturing relevant biographical and background information from prospective students from California. These paragraphs do not alter USMF’s admissions criteria, policies, or the administrative procedures that it uses to evaluate and/or admit applicants. Moldova’s Ministry of Education creates the admissions exam to evaluate competency in certain subjects and ensure that all applicants are able to meet the rigors of USMF’s programs. As always, USMF retains full control of its admissions policies and procedures.
Paragraph 2.1.16

This paragraph was meant as an additional safeguard to USMF’s standing as an approved dental school by ensuring that USMF would not make modifications that potentially affect its status as an approved dental school. There have been no such changes implemented, or even contemplated.

Paragraphs 3.1-3.2

These paragraphs expand on Moldova USA’s responsibilities to assist with the coordination of the dental school’s admissions processes, including setting the time and location of the admissions exam, processing payment, and coordinating the admissions interviews prospective applicants must have with USMF’s Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry. There is no change of shift in control of the dental school’s academic or admissions criteria, as the admissions exam shall be given “in accordance with the materials and conditions set by USMF.” Any ambiguity in the paragraph and potential alternative interpretations of its purpose are likely due to errors in the translation from Romanian. Ultimately, any admissions decisions, and the scope of how students are evaluated, rests with USMF.

Paragraphs 3.3-3.4

These paragraphs ensure that Moldova USA will assist USMF in completing and processing any application for approval and/or renewal of its accreditation from the California Dental Board and the Council on Dental Accreditation of the United States (“CODA”). As you know, USMF is not currently approved by CODA, but if it chooses to seek CODA accreditation, Moldova USA agrees to serve as its liaison.
Paragraphs 3.5-3.6

As a public institution, the USMF’s resources are limited and must be protected so that it may best serve its students and the Republic of Moldova. These paragraphs protect these resources and ensure that USMF faculty and staff will be reimbursed for the expenses associated with the accreditation process and/or admissions process of foreign students.

Paragraph 3.7

This paragraph contemplates that Moldova USA may in the future provide assistance to USMF’s medical school. To date, this has not happened. If this is undertaken, the paragraph requires that a separate collaboration agreement be executed.

Paragraph 3.8

As a foreign dental school, USMF needs local support in California to disseminate information and attract qualified candidates to its dental program. This paragraph obligates Moldova USA to assist with that marketing and branding by disseminating information through social media networks and websites to help expand USMF’s footprint in the United States. As stated in the paragraph, the “information [must be] coordinated in advance with USMF” and all content must be approved by USMF.

Paragraph 4.2

This Paragraph, which falls under section IV., the “Rights of USMF,” pertains to USMF’s goal of maintaining its accreditation as a foreign dental school. As USMF values its partnership with the California Dental Board, this paragraph ensures it will be kept apprised of any and all possible developments that would impact its approval as a foreign dental school.
In response to the Board’s more specific questions at the end of its letter, USMF provides the following:

(1) **Training Program for 4th and 5th Year Students:**

The “4th and 5th year program” referenced in the collaboration agreement is the integrated 2-year program for foreign trained dentists, also known as the “International Dental Program” (“IDP”). The California Legislature has encouraged all dental schools in California to provide a “two-year course of study that may be utilized by graduates of foreign dental schools to attain the prerequisites for licensure in California.” See Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §1636.6. USMF notified the Board of its intent to start this program by letter on May 2, 2017. The May 2, 2017 letter is attached here as Exhibit A.

(2) **Satellite Dental Program:**

Please refer to the answer in response to Paragraphs 2.1.8 and 2.1.9 above.

(3) **Acknowledgments and Disclosures Form**

As you know, USMF’s approval as a foreign dental school is specific to California, and all USMF graduates are limited to practicing in California. Although this information is disclosed to all USMF prospective applicants, including Moldova USA on the Acknowledgments and Disclosures Form serves as an additional safeguard to prevent meritless claims.

(4) **“Dental Council of California”**

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3 USMF is surprised to learn that the Board was not aware of Moldova USA considering Moldova USA coordinated the site visit to USMF and reimbursed the Board members of all expenses with Moldova USA checks. In any case, it is clear that Moldova USA has no bearing on USMF’s Board approved program, or its compliance with California’s Institutional Standards.
This is a translation from Romanian and all references in the collaboration agreement to the “Dental Council of California” are meant to refer to the California Dental Board.

(5) Financial Details re Moldova USA

Moldova USA is a third-party entity and a separate California corporation. As such, USMF is not privy to the details of its finances, including tax returns and compensation structure.

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As demonstrated by the above responses, the collaboration agreement with Moldova USA has not and cannot result in any “change” or “shift” in control away from USMF. Similarly, no shift or change in control has taken place under section 1024.8, which is concerned with the influence or control private investors and/or other ownership stakeholders may have on an institution and requires a foreign school to notify the Board of any change in location, mission, name, or control. See 16 CCR § 1024.8(a)(4) (“A ‘shift in control’ or ‘change in control’ may but need not involve a transfer of any property interest. A ‘shift in control’ [] may include a shift in the voting control of corporate stock [], the acquisition of sufficient stock by a minority shareholder [], the transfer of voting rights to a voting trust, the transfer of any ownership interest to any trust in which the owner does not have the same degree of control as before the transfer, and the transfer of authority to manage the institution…”). There is no dispute that this does not apply here.

Further, before the Board can decide whether an alleged change or shift in control resulted in USMF falling out of compliance with the Institutional Standards, USMF is entitled to due process. This means USMF must be allowed to hear the facts or arguments, challenge them, and present evidence in response.

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4 The section on “Ownership and Management,” of the Institutional Standards is likewise concerned with the influence or control private investors may have on an institution. See 16 CCR § 1024.1 (“Each owner, corporate director, and chief executive officer, of an institution has the duty to act in the utmost good faith to expend or authorize the expenditure of the institution’s assets [] in a diligent and prudent manner…”).
Although the Board contends it is concerned about an alleged “change or shift” in control, the Board has not pointed to any aspect of USMF’s dental program that it contends is out of compliance with the Institutional Standards for foreign dental schools, including the “ownership and management” standard discussed above. Instead, the Board has focused on subjects outside of its authority, including information that pertains exclusively to third parties and/or has no bearing on USMF (i.e. financial details of Moldova USA).

While the Board is free to request information and documents to determine whether a change or shift in control “will affect [an] institution’s compliance,” no part of the Board’s inquiry appears to be tailored to meeting this goal. The Board cannot subject USMF to a prolonged inquiry without due process. Indeed, the Board approved USMF because it met the stringent Institutional Standards requirements. It would be unduly hasty to conclude an alleged shift in control has resulted in USMF’s lack of compliance on account of just one document – the agreement – interpreted from Romanian and absent evidence that any of the “anticipated scenarios” described in its provisions have actually happened. Even so, the above responses demonstrate that USMF retains full control of all aspects of its dental program.

USMF is hopeful that the foregoing responses have addressed any and all concerns the Board may have regarding the dental program. As such, USMF does not anticipate it will need representatives to attend the May 2019 meeting. Should the Board have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to direct them to my attention so we can provide a prompt response. USMF remains committed to working with the Board on resolving this issue so that it may revert its attention to serving its students. We will look forward to hearing from the Board soon.

Sincerely yours,

Rector

Ion Ababii
MEMORANDUM

DATE | April 25, 2019

TO | Members of the Dental Board of California

FROM | Carlos Alvarez, Enforcement Chief

SUBJECT | Agenda Item 10(a): Review of Enforcement Statistics and Trends

The following are the Enforcement Division statistics for the third quarter (January 1, 2019 to March 31, 2019) of Fiscal Year 2018-2019. Trends over the last three fiscal years and the last to current quarter are included, along with Charts 1-3 for reference.

Complaints & Compliance

Complaints Received: 981

During quarter three, a total of 981 complaints were received. Complaints received have decreased by approximately 74 cases from the last quarter. The monthly average of complaints received for quarter two was 327.

Complaint Cases Open: 932

A total of 932 complaint cases are pending. The Complaint cases open have decreased by 16% from second quarter of FY 2018-2019 to third quarter of FY 2018-2019. The average caseload per Consumer Services Analyst (CSA) during the third quarter of FY 2018-2019 was 207.

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<tr>
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<td>Q4 Cases</td>
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<tr>
<td>0 – 3 Months</td>
<td>463</td>
<td>482</td>
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<td>3 – 6 Months</td>
<td>321</td>
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Dental Board of California Meeting
May 15-16, 2019
Complaints by Age

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<td>700</td>
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Qtr 4 Qtr 1 Qtr 2 Qtr 3

FY 2017-2018 FY 2018-2019

Complaint Cases Closed: 822

During quarter three, there were 822 total complaint cases closed. The average cases closed per month was 274. A complaint took an average of 159 days to close which is approximately 87 days faster than during the previous quarter.

Investigations

Investigation Cases Open: 747

At the end of quarter three, there were approximately 747 open investigative cases and 38 open inspection cases.

Investigation Age FY 2017-2018 FY 2018-2019

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<td>1 – 2 Years</td>
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<td>3+ Years</td>
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Comparing this quarter to the last, there has been a significant decrease in the number of open investigation cases by 12%.

**Investigation Cases Closed: 377**

During quarter three, there were 377 total investigation cases closed. The average cases closed per month was 126. The total number of investigation cases closed, filed with the Office of the Attorney General (OAG), or filed with the District/City Attorney during the third quarter was 41 (an average of 14 per month).

The average number of days to complete an investigation during the third quarter was 430 days (see Chart 1). This is 143 days faster or a decrease of 25% compared to the previous quarter.

**Administrative and Disciplinary Action:**

A total of 46 citations were issued during the third quarter, an decrease from the total of 49 that were issued in the previous quarter.

A total of 34 accusations were filed during the third quarter, an increase from the total of 21 that were filed during the previous quarter.

A total of 41 cases were referred to the OAG with a total of 272 cases pending as of April 25, 2019.

There were approximately 185 open probation cases at the end of the third quarter. The three-month average for a disciplinary case to be completed was 1331 days. This is 507 days slower than the previous quarter.
Total number of probationers (130) and probationers tolling (55) are as follows:

Sacramento Enforcement Office: 23 active probationers, 22 probationers tolling

Orange Enforcement Office: 84 active probationers, 19 probationers tolling

Investigative Analysis Unit: 23 active probationers, 14 probationers tolling

Chart 1 below displays the average closure age over the last three fiscal years through the first and second quarter for complaint, investigation, and disciplinary cases.

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<th>Average Days to Close</th>
<th>FY 15-16</th>
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Chart 1:
## Chart 2:

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<td>Complaints Received</td>
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Dental Board of California
May 15-16, 2019 Dental Board Meeting
*FY15-16 Numbers updated due to system transition to Breeze.
Complaint Allegations

Charts 3a and 3b below list the types of allegations made for all complaints received for the current quarter, along with their corresponding percentages.

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<th>2015-16*</th>
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<th>Q2</th>
<th>Q3</th>
<th>Q3 %</th>
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<td>Criminal Charges</td>
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<td>293</td>
<td>484</td>
<td>265</td>
<td>131</td>
<td>13%</td>
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<td>Discipline by Another State</td>
<td>15</td>
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<td>0</td>
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<td>Fraud</td>
<td>261</td>
<td>149</td>
<td>144</td>
<td>34</td>
<td>47</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<td>Health And Safety</td>
<td>4</td>
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<td>1</td>
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<td>&lt;1%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Incompetence / Negligence</td>
<td>1961</td>
<td>2059</td>
<td>1839</td>
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<td>496</td>
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<td>Non-Jurisdictional</td>
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<td>404</td>
<td>286</td>
<td>63</td>
<td>52</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>180</td>
<td>241</td>
<td>252</td>
<td>67</td>
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<td>Sexual Misconduct</td>
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<td>157</td>
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<td>13</td>
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<td>Unprofessional Conduct</td>
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<td>181</td>
<td>398</td>
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<td>15</td>
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DATE | April 17, 2019
---|---
TO | Members of the Dental Board of California
FROM | Ryan Blonien, Supervising Investigator
SUBJECT | Agenda Item 10(b): Update on Controlled Substance Utilization Review and Evaluation System (CURES) Report

Background:

The Controlled Substance Utilization Review and Evaluation System (CURES 2.0) is a database of Schedule II, III, and IV controlled substance and prescriptions dispensed in California. The goal of the CURES 2.0 system is the reduction of prescription drug abuse and diversion without affecting the legitimate medical practice or patient care.

Prescribers were required to submit an application before July 1, 2016, or upon receipt of a federal Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) registration, whichever occurs later. Registration requirements are not based on dispensing, prescribing, or administering activities but, rather, on possession of a Drug Enforcement Administration Controlled Substance Registration Certificate and valid California licensure as a Dentist, or other prescribing medical provider. The Dental Board of California currently has 34,448 active licensed dentists. The Drug Enforcement Administration has 24,633 California dentists licensed to prescribe.

Current Status:

The CURES registration statistics for the Dental Board of California are:

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<td>October 2017</td>
<td>8064</td>
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<td>January 2018</td>
<td>8370</td>
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<td>April 2018</td>
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<td>14,229</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>February 2019</td>
<td>14,856</td>
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CURES usage as of February 2019:

6,487 Dentists have created Patient Activity Reports in the time frame. Patient Activity Report (PAR) Checked a patient’s prescription history.

5,609 total times CURES was accessed by Dentist.

162 total times telephone calls made to the CURES help desk by Dentist.
# February 2019 Statistics

## Registered Users

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<th>Total Registered Users</th>
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## Clinical Roles

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<td>Prescribers</td>
<td>159,939</td>
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<td>Dispensers</td>
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## License Type

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## Other Roles

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**NOTE:**
1. Subtotal A = Subtotal B
2. Subtotal A + Subtotal C = Total Registered Users
3. Stats are from the 1st of the month to the last day of the month
## February 2019 Statistics

### Number of PARs Ran

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**NOTE:**

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### February 2019 Statistics

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**NOTE:**
1. Each component of a compound is submitted as a separate prescription record. The number of distinct prescriptions rolls compound prescriptions into a single count.
2. The number of distinct prescriptions and the number of prescriptions filled by schedule will not be equal because a compound can consist of multiple drugs with varying schedules.
3. R = Not classified under the Controlled Substances Act; includes all other prescription drugs.
4. Over-the-counter product
MEMORANDUM

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Please refer to the attached Dental Board of California Memorandum regarding Assembly Bill 149, dated March 12, 2019.
MEMORANDUM

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The Governor signed Assembly Bill (AB) 149 (Cooper) which provides a transition period for implementing a new law requiring new security prescription forms for prescriptions for controlled substances. The bill immediately went into effect March 11th, 2019.

AB 149 is intended to resolve problems unintentionally created by AB 1753 (Low, Chapter 794, Statutes of 2018), which reduced the number of authorized security printers approved by the Department of Justice (DOJ) and required security prescription forms to have unique serialized numbers. AB 1753 took effect January 1, 2019.

However, not all prescribers have been able to obtain the security prescription forms required by the law or have unknowingly continued using non-compliant prescription forms. As a result, some pharmacists were caught in a difficult position having to decide whether to provide needed medication for patients or comply with the new law.

AB 149 delays the requirement for prescription forms with uniquely serialized numbers until a date to be determined by DOJ but no later than January 1, 2020; and also declares that any prescription written on a form that was otherwise valid before January 1, 2019, or was written on a form approved by DOJ as of January 1, 2019, is valid and may be filled, compounded or dispensed until January 1, 2021.
MEMORANDUM

DATE                         May 1, 2019
TO                           Members of the Dental Board of California
FROM                         Pahoua Thao, Associate Governmental Program Analyst
                              Dental Board of California
SUBJECT                      Agenda Item 11: Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Meeting Dates for 2020

Background:
The Board will need to set the 2020 meeting schedule to provide adequate time to negotiate contracts for meeting space locations. A 2020 calendar is attached for your reference. The calendar includes dates for holidays and association meetings.

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code, Section 1607, the Board shall meet regularly once each year in San Francisco and once each year in Los Angeles and at such other times and places as the Board may designate, for the purpose of transacting its business. Historically, the Board meets quarterly.

As such, the following are dates for your consideration:

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Action Requested:
Select specific Board meeting dates for 2020.
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- **New Year’s Day**
- **CalAOMS 2020 Anesthesia Meeting**
- **San Francisco, CA**
- **M L King Day**
- **Chinese New Year**

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- **Valentine’s Day**
- **President’s Day**

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- **ADEA Annual Mtg. Maryland**
- **Cesar Chavez Day**
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- Canada Day
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- **12** - Columbus Day
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- **8** - Veteran's Day
- **18** - DHBC Board Mtg.
- **25** - Thanksgiving Day

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- **6** - Hanukkah
- **13** - Winter Begins
- **25** - Christmas
MEMORANDUM

DATE        April 29, 2019

TO          Members of the Dental Board of California

FROM        Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer
            Dental Board of California

SUBJECT     Agenda Item 13: Executive Officer’s Report

Background:
The Executive Officer, Karen Fischer, of the Dental Board of California will provide a verbal report.

Action Requested:
No action requested.
MEMORANDUM

DATE  April 29, 2019

TO  Members of the Dental Board of California

FROM  Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer
       Dental Board of California

SUBJECT  Agenda Item 14: Report of the Dental Hygiene Board of California (DHBC) Activities

Background:
A representative from the Dental Hygiene Board of California will provide a verbal report.

Action Requested:
No action requested.
MEMORANDUM

DATE | April 29, 2019
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TO | Members of the Dental Board of California
FROM | Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer
  | Dental Board of California
SUBJECT | **Agenda Item 15**: Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the DHBC’s Proposed Draft Educational Regulatory Language for California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 1109 Relating to Radiographic Decision Making and Interim Therapeutic Restoration Courses for the Registered Dental Hygienist (RDH), Registered Dental Hygienist in Alternative Practice (RDHAP), and Registered Dental Hygienists in Extended Functions (RDHEF) – Approval; Curriculum Requirements; Issuance of Approval

**Background:**
Enclosed is a memorandum from the Dental Hygiene Board of California (DHBC) relating to the promulgation of their regulation for radiographic decision making and interim therapeutic restorations. A representative from the DHBC will present this agenda item and be available to answer questions.
MEMORANDUM

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| FROM       | Anthony Lum  
Executive Officer  
Dental Hygiene Board of California |
| SUBJECT    | Update on Proposed Regulatory Package 16 CCR §1109. Radiograph Decision Making and Interim Therapeutic Restorations. |

Background:

Assembly Bill 1174 (Bocanegra, Chapter 662, Statutes of 2014) required the Dental Hygiene Board of California (DHBC), along with the Dental Board of California (DBC), to propose regulatory language in Additional Authorized Duties of Registered Dental Hygienists (RDH) and adopt regulations to establish requirements for courses of instruction in Radiographic Decision Making (RDM) and Interim Therapeutic Restoration (ITR) for RDHs, Registered Dental Hygienists in Alternative Practice (RDHAP), and Registered Dental Hygienists in Extended Functions (RDHEF), using the competency-based training protocols established by the Health Workforce Pilot Project (HWPP) No. 172 through the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD).

At the January 29, 2019 DHBC Teleconference meeting, the DHBC addressed and finalized our regulatory language and related forms for the proposed regulation 16 CCR §1109. The DBC has already initiated the rulemaking process and is a few steps ahead in the review for approval.

The DHBC would like to inform the DBC of the following changes to the proposed regulatory language that is different from the HWPP No. 172:

- Proposed regulatory language to include the utilization of the term “interim adhesive protective restorations” to make clear the intent that this procedure is an interim intervention.
- Separation of RDM and ITR course requirements within the proposed language to allow RDM and ITR courses to be taught separately.
- Protocols for follow-up assessment of interim adhesive protective restorations revised to at least two (2) follow-up examinations of the ITR within a twelve (12) month period. This is a change from the original protocol which was one (1) week, three (3) months, six (6) months, and one (1) year as detailed in the HWPP No. 172. The reason for the revision is that a majority of patients who receive this treatment are highly unlikely to pursue follow-up examinations at the frequency indicated in the original pilot project.

The following proposed regulatory language has been approved by the DHBC and requests the DBC’s agreement pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 1910.5(c) in order to move forward in the regulatory process. The DHBC changes are highlighted in **YELLOW** in the following regulatory language for easier review.
§ 1109. Approval of Curriculum Requirements for Radiographic Decision-Making and Interim Therapeutic Restoration Courses for the Registered Dental Hygienist (RDH), Registered Dental Hygienist in Alternative Practice (RDHAP), and Registered Dental Hygienist in Extended Functions (RDHEF).

(a) The Dental Hygiene Board of California (Board) shall approve only those educational courses in Radiographic Decision-Making (RDM) and Interim Therapeutic Restorations (ITR) for the Registered Dental Hygienist (RDH), Registered Dental Hygienist in Alternative Practice (RDHAP), and Registered Dental Hygienist in Extended Functions (RDHEF) pursuant to sections 1910.5, 1921, and 1926.05 of the Business and Professions Code (B & PC) that continuously meet all course requirements. Continuation of approval will be contingent upon compliance with these requirements, in addition to the requirements set forth by sections 1104 through 1108 of Article 3 regarding Educational Programs. Each approved course shall be subject to Board review at any time for compliance with curriculum requirements. Course providers shall be responsible for notifying the Board of any changes to the course content, physical facilities, and faculty within ten (10) days of such changes.

(b) Approval of RDM or ITR Educational Courses for the Student Enrolled in a Dental Hygiene Educational Program (DHEP). To be approved, an educational program shall comply with the following requirements:

1) DHEP RDM Course Requirements.

(A) A California DHEP shall submit to the Board an “Application for Approval of a Course for Radiographic Decision-Making in a Dental Hygiene Educational Program” DHBC RDM-01 (01/19), hereby incorporated by reference; and

(B) Submit the required application fee to the Board pursuant to B&PC section 1944, subdivision (a)(10); and

(C) The course shall be sufficient in length for the students to develop competency in making decisions regarding which radiographs to expose to facilitate diagnosis and treatment planning by a dentist but shall be, at a minimum, four (4) hours in length and include didactic, laboratory and simulated clinical experiences.

(D) New or existing DHEPs seeking to incorporate or offer a stand-alone permit course in RDM shall submit to the Board an “Application for Approval of a Course for Radiographic Decision-Making in a Dental Hygiene Educational Program,” DHBC RDM-01 (01/19) and the required application fee pursuant to B&PC section 1944, subdivision (a)(10) prior to instruction.
(2) **DHEP ITR Course Requirements.**

(A) A California DHEP shall submit to the Board an “Application for Approval of a Course for Interim Therapeutic Restorations in a Dental Hygiene Educational Program” DHBC ITR-03 (01/19), hereby incorporated by reference; and

(B) Submit the required application fee to the Board pursuant to B&PC section 1944, subdivision (a)(10); and

(C) The course shall be sufficient in length for the students to develop competency in placement of protective restorations but shall be, at a minimum, sixteen (16) hours in length, including four (4) hours of didactic training, four (4) hours of laboratory training, and eight (8) hours of clinical training.

(D) New or existing DHEPs seeking to incorporate or offer a stand-alone permit course in ITR shall submit to the Board an “Application for Approval of a Course for Interim Therapeutic Restorations in a Dental Hygiene Educational Program,” DHBC ITR-03 (01/19) and the required application fee pursuant to B&PC section 1944, subdivision (a)(10) prior to instruction.

(3) In addition to the instructional components described in this subdivision, an RDM or ITR DHEP educational course shall be established at the postsecondary educational level.

(c) **Approval of RDM or ITR Continuing Educational (CE) Courses for the RDH, RDHAP, and RDHEF.** To be approved, an educational program shall comply with the following requirements:

(1) **RDM CE Course Requirements.**

(A) An applicant course provider shall submit to the Board an “Application for Approval of a Continuing Educational Course in Radiographic Decision-Making for the RDH, RDHAP, and RDHEF” DHBC RDM-02 (01/19), hereby incorporated by reference; and

(B) Submit the required application fee to the Board pursuant to B&PC section 1944, subdivision (a)(11); and

(C) The course shall be sufficient in length for the participants to develop competency in making decisions regarding which radiographs to expose to facilitate diagnosis and treatment planning by a dentist but shall be, at a minimum, four (4) hours in length and include didactic, laboratory and simulated clinical experiences.

(2) **ITR CE Course Requirements.**

(A) An applicant course provider shall submit to the Board an “Application for Approval of a Continuing Educational Course in Placement of Interim Therapeutic Restorations for the RDH, RDHAP, and RDHEF” DHBC ITR-04 (01/19), hereby incorporated by reference; and
(B) Submit the required application fee to the Board pursuant to B&PC section 1944, subdivision (a)(11); and

(C) The course shall be sufficient in length for the participants to develop competency in placement of protective restorations but shall be, at a minimum, sixteen (16) hours in length, including four (4) hours of didactic training, four (4) hours of laboratory training, and eight (8) hours of clinical training.

(3) In addition to the instructional components described in this subdivision, a program or course shall be established at a post-graduate educational level.

(d) Requirements for Approval of DHEP and CE RDM and ITR Courses.

(1) Administration.

To be approved, each course shall provide the resources necessary to satisfy the educational requirements as specified in this section. Course providers shall be responsible for informing the Board of any changes to the course content, physical facilities, and faculty within ten (10) business days of such changes.

(2) Admission.

(A) To be eligible for admission to an RDM or ITR Course for the Student in a DHEP, students shall:

(i) Be a student in good standing in a DHEP, and

(ii) Possess current certification in Basic Life Support (BLS) and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) from the American Heart Association (AHA) or the American Red Cross (ARC).

(B) To be eligible for admission to a CE Course in RDM or ITR for the RDH, RDHAP, and RDHEF, participants shall:

(i) Possess a valid, active license as an RDH, RDHAP, or RDHEF issued by the Board, and

(ii) Possess current certification in BLS and CPR from the AHA or the ARC.

(3) Faculty.

Didactic, laboratory, preclinical, and clinical faculty, including the program or course director and supervising dentist(s) shall:
(A) Possess a valid, active California RDH, RDHAP, RDHEF license, or Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) license, or Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) license with no disciplinary actions in any jurisdiction to practice dental hygiene or dentistry;

(B) Possess current certification in BLS and CPR from the AHA or ARC;

(C) RDH, RDHAP, and RDHEF faculty shall possess current licensure in RDM and ITR placement;

(D) Be calibrated in instruction and grading of RDM and ITR.

(4) Facilities and Equipment.

(A) RDM and ITR Courses for the Student in a DHEP.

Didactic instruction may take place in an in-person or an online environment. Each course shall have access to adequate equipment and facilities for lectures and testing.

Laboratory and clinical instruction shall be held at a physical facility. Physical facilities and equipment shall be maintained and replaced in a manner designed to provide students with a course designed to meet the educational objectives set forth in this section. A physical facility shall have all the following:

(i) A patient clinic area, laboratory, and a radiology area;

(ii) Access to equipment necessary to develop dental hygiene skills in RDM and ITR duties; and

(iii) Infection control equipment shall be provided as described in 16 CCR section 1005.

(B) RDM CE Courses for the RDH RDHAP, and RDHEF.

Didactic instruction may take place in an in-person or an online environment. Each course shall have access to adequate equipment and facilities for lectures and testing and shall be maintained and replaced in a manner designed to provide participants with a course designed to meet the educational objectives set forth in this section.

(C) ITR CE Courses for the RDH, RDHAP, and RDHEF.

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(ii) Access to equipment necessary to develop dental hygiene skills in ITR duties; and

(iii) Infection control equipment shall be provided as described in 16 CCR section 1005.

(5) Health and Safety.

DHEP and CE course providers shall comply with all local, state, and federal health and safety laws and regulations.

(A) All students or participants shall have access to the course’s hazardous waste management plan for the disposal of needles, cartridges, medical waste and storage of oxygen and nitrous oxide tanks.

(B) All students or participants shall have access to the course’s clinic and radiation hazardous communication plan.

(C) All students or participants shall receive a copy of the course’s bloodborne and infectious diseases exposure control plan, which shall include emergency needlestick information.

(D) Faculty shall review with each student or participant all requirements pursuant to this section.

(6) Curriculum and Learning Resources.

(A) RDM didactic instruction shall include:

(i) Caries Management by Risk Assessment (CAMBRA) concept;

(ii) Guidelines for RDM to include, but not limited to, the following concepts of:

(a) The American Dental Association’s Dental Radiographic Examinations: Recommendations for Patient Selection and Limiting Radiation (revised 2012); and

(b) The American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry’s Guidelines on Prescribing Dental Radiographs.

(iii) The guidelines developed by Pacific Center for Special Care at the University of the Pacific Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry (Pacific) for use in training for Health Workforce Pilot Project (HWPP) #172 including:

(a) Instruction on specific decision-making guidelines that incorporate information about the patient’s health, radiographic history, time span since previous radiographs were taken, and availability of previous radiographs; and
(b) Instruction pertaining to the general condition of the mouth including extent of dental restorations present, visible signs of abnormalities, including broken teeth, dark stain within the tooth, and visible holes in teeth.

(B) RDM laboratory instruction shall include a review of clinical cases with instructor-led discussion about radiographic decision-making in clinical situations.

(C) RDM simulated-clinical instruction shall include case-based examination with various clinical situations where trainees make decisions about which radiographs to expose and demonstrate competency to faculty based on these case studies.

(D) ITR placement. Didactic, laboratory, and clinical instruction shall include:

   (i) Review of pulpal anatomy.

   (ii) Theory of adhesive restorative materials used in the placement of interim adhesive protective restorations including mechanisms of bonding to tooth structure, handling characteristics of the materials, preparation of the tooth prior to material placement, and placement techniques.

   (iii) Criteria used in clinical dentistry pertaining to the use and placement of interim adhesive protective restorations; Criteria shall include, but not limited to:

      (a) Patient factors:

         (1) The patient’s American Society of Anesthesiologists Physical Status Classification is Class III or less;

         (2) The patient is cooperative enough to have the interim restoration placed without the need for special protocols, including sedation or physical support;

         (3) The patient, or responsible party, has provided consent for the ITR procedure; and

         (4) The patient reports that the tooth is asymptomatic, or if there is mild sensitivity which stops within a few seconds of the removal of the offending stimulus.

      (b) Tooth Factors:

         (1) The lesion is accessible without the need for creating access using a dental handpiece;

         (2) The margins of the lesion are accessible so that clean, non-involved margins can be obtained around the entire periphery of the lesion with the use of hand instrumentation;
(3) The depth of the lesion is more than two millimeters from the pulp on radiographic examination or is judged by the DDS or DMD to be a shallow lesion such that the treatment does not endanger the pulp or require the use of local anesthetic; and

(4) The tooth is restorable and does not have other significant pathology.

(iv) Theory of protocols to deal with adverse outcomes used in the placement of interim adhesive protective restorations including mechanisms of bonding to tooth structure, handling characteristics of the materials, preparation of the tooth prior to material placement, and placement techniques;

(v) Criteria for evaluating successful completion of interim adhesive protective restorations including, but not limited to, restorative material not in hyper occlusion, no marginal voids, and minimal excess material;

(vi) Protocols for adverse outcomes after ITR placement including, but not limited to; exposed pulp, tooth fracture, gingival tissue injury, high occlusion, open margins, tooth sensitivity, rough surface, complications, or unsuccessful completion of interim adhesive protective restorations including situations requiring immediate referral to a dentist; and

(vii) Protocols for follow-up of interim adhesive protective restorations, including, but not limited to, at least two (2) follow-up examinations of the ITR within a twelve (12) month period.

(E) Minimum ITR Requirements.

(i) Laboratory instruction shall include placement of ten (10) interim adhesive protective restorations where students or participants demonstrate competency in this technique on typodont teeth.

(ii) Clinical instruction shall include experiences where students or participants demonstrate, at a minimum, the placement of five (5) interim adhesive therapeutic restorations that shall be evaluated by the program faculty to criteria-referenced standards.

(F) Curriculum shall require adherence to infection control standards as provided in 16 CCR section 1005.

(G) Curriculum shall prepare the student or participant to assess, plan, implement and evaluate procedures as provided in subdivision (c)(6) of this section to perform with competence and judgment.

(H) Students or participants shall be provided a course syllabus that contains:
(i) Course learning outcomes;

(ii) Titles of references used for course materials;

(iii) Content objectives; and

(iv) Grading criteria which includes competency evaluations and laboratory, preclinical, and clinical rubrics to include problem solving and critical thinking skills that reflect course learning outcomes.

(I) Successful completion shall require students or participants to achieve competency at a minimum of 75% in each of the competencies.

(7) Recordkeeping.

DHEP and CE course providers shall possess and maintain the following for a period of not less than five (5) years:

(A) Individual student or participant records, including those necessary to establish satisfactory completion of the course;

(B) Copies of lab and clinical competency documents;

(C) Copies of faculty calibration plans, faculty credentials, licenses, and certifications including documented background in educational methodology within previous two years;

(E) Copies of student or participant course evaluations and a summation thereof; and

(F) Copies of curriculum, including course syllabi, exams, sample test questions and clinic rubrics.

(e) Satisfactory completion of courses in RDM and ITR placement shall be determined using criteria-referenced completion standards, where the instructor determines when the student or participant has achieved RDM and ITR placement competency based on these standards, including the duration of time needed to achieve competency. Any student or participant who does not achieve competency in these duties in the specified period of instruction may receive additional education and evaluation, or, in the judgment of the faculty, may be discontinued from the RDM or ITR courses.

(f) Certificates of Completion.

(1) DHEPs shall issue and provide the student with an original “Certification of Completion of a Course in Radiographic Decision-Making and Interim Therapeutic Restorations for the RDH, RDHAP, and RDHEF” pursuant to the regulatory requirements set forth by 16 CCR section 1016, subdivision (h)(1), only after a student has successfully completed the requirements of his or her course in RDM and ITR.

(2) CE Courses for the RDH, RDHAP, and RDHEF.
(A) A course provider shall issue and provide the participant with an original “Certification of Completion of a Course in Radiographic Decision-Making for the RDH, RDHAP, and RDHEF” pursuant to the regulatory requirements set forth by 16 CCR section 1016, subdivision (h)(1), only after a participant has successfully completed the requirements of his or her course in RDM.

(B) A course provider shall issue and provide the participant with an original “Certification of Completion of a Course in Interim Therapeutic Restoration for the RDH, RDHAP, and RDHEF”, pursuant to the regulatory requirements set forth by 16 CCR section 1016, subdivision (h)(1), only after a participant has successfully completed the requirements of his or her course in ITR.

(g) Appeals.

(1) The Board may deny or withdraw its approval of a course. If the Board denies or withdraws approval of a course, the reasons for withdrawal or denial will be provided in writing within ninety (90) business days.

(2) Any course provider or applicant whose approval is denied or withdrawn shall be granted an informal conference before the Executive Officer or his or her designee prior to the effective date of such action. The applicant or course provider shall be given at least ninety (90) business days' notice of the time and place of such informal conference and the specific grounds for the proposed action.

(3) The applicant or course provider may contest the denial or withdrawal of approval by either:

(A) Appearing at the informal conference. The Executive Officer shall notify the course provider of the final decision of the Executive Officer within thirty (30) business days of the informal conference. Based on the outcome of the informal conference, the course provider may then request a hearing to contest the Executive Officer's final decision. A course provider shall request a hearing by written notice to the Board within thirty (30) business days of the postmark date of the letter of the Executive Officer's final decision after informal conference. Hearings shall be held pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code; or

(B) Notifying the Board in writing the course provider's election to forego the informal conference and to proceed with a hearing pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code. Such notification shall be made to the Board before the date of the informal conference.


MEMORANDUM

DATE  April 22, 2019

TO  Members of the Dental Board of California

FROM  Daniel Yoon
Licensing Analyst

SUBJECT  Agenda Item 16 (a): Update on the Portfolio Pathway to Licensure

At the February 2019 Board meeting, Dental Board of California (Board) staff gave an update on the short-term goals that were outlined at the November 2017 Board meeting. Board staff have completed all short-term goals.

Additionally, Board staff planned to offer informational workshops to meet with 1st- and 2nd-year dental students to become familiar with the Portfolio pathway to licensure. Board staff prepared a presentation and scheduled visits to Western University in Pomona, CA, and Loma Linda University, in Loma Linda, CA, in March 2019.

On March 21, 2019, Board staff traveled to Western University and met with students to present the Portfolio pathway to licensure. Fifty-one (51) students attended this event. During the presentation, Board staff asked the students if they intended to stay in California or if they would be leaving the State. Approximately half the students intend on staying in California. Portfolio staff from Western University informed the students that this pathway is open to all who are interested in Portfolio and have integrated Portfolio into their current reporting system to make tracking of their progress easier. Currently, there are no Western University students participating in the Portfolio.

On March 29, 2019, Board staff traveled to Loma Linda University and met with students to present the Portfolio pathway to licensure. Eighty-two (82) students attended this event. When asked how many students planned to stay in California, about twenty (20) students raised their hands. Portfolio Staff from Loma Linda University informed the students that there are some qualifications that must be met to qualify for the Portfolio program. The student must be in the top half of the class to be considered for Portfolio and will be selected by Loma Linda staff. Currently, only five students were selected for this school year. However, Loma Linda University will accept up to ten (10) students for the next Portfolio class.
Board staff is in the processing of scheduling visits to the other dental schools in 2019. In addition, Board staff is creating an informational Portfolio brochure to hand out to interested dental students for future visits.

**Action Requested:**

No action requested, informational only.
MEMORANDUM

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**Background:**
Dr. Huong Le, DDS, MA will provide a verbal report.

**Action Requested:**
No action requested.
## MEMORANDUM

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**Background:**
Representatives from the American Board of Dental Examiners (ADEX) will provide a presentation.

**Action Requested:**
No action requested.
MEMORANDUM

DATE April 24, 2019
TO Members of the Dental Board of California
FROM Mirela Tiran & Paige Ragali, Licensing Analysts
Dental Board of California
SUBJECT Agenda Item 17(a): Review of Dental Licensure and Permit Statistics

The Dental Board of California (Board) oversees dental licensees in California. All dentists are initially licensed as active. When licensees renew their license, they may either keep their license in active or inactive status.

Licensees with an active status can actively practice dentistry in the state of California. To renew and keep one’s license in an active status, the Board requires submission of renewal fee, furnishing a set of fingerprints to the Department of Justice (DOJ), certification of fifty (50) units of continuing education, and disclosing whether he/she has been convicted of any violation in the prior renewal cycle.

Licensees with an inactive status cannot engage in the practice of dentistry in the state of California. To renew and keep one’s license in an inactive status, the Board requires submission of the renewal fee and a fully completed renewal form. The holder thereof need not comply with any continuing education requirement for a renewal of an inactive license.

Licensees with an inactive status who would like to re-activate their license must submit the Application to Activate License form and evidence of completing fifty (50) units of continuing education within the last two (2) years, as required by the Dental Practice Act.

A. Following are statistics of current license/permits by type as of April 22, 2019

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*Active: Current and can practice without restrictions (BPC §1625)*

*Inactive: Current but cannot practice, continuing education not required (CCR §1017.2)*

*Retired: Current, has practiced over 20 years, eligible for Social Security and can practice with restrictions (BPC §1716.1a)*

*Disabled: Current with disability but cannot practice (BPC §1716.1b)*

*Renewal in Process: Renewal fee paid with deficiency (CCR §1017)*
**Delinquent:** Renewal fee not paid within one month after expiration date *(BPC §163.5)*

**Cancelled:** Renewal fee not paid 5 years after its expiration and may not be renewed *(BPC §1718.3a)*

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*Current population for Extramural Facilities and Referral Services are approximated because they are not automated programs*

**Active Licensees by County as of April 22, 2019**

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Dental Board of California Meeting

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*Population data obtained from Department of Finance, Demographic Research Unit*
*The counties with the highest Population per DDS are:

1. Yuba County (1:6,779)
2. Imperial County (1:5,090)
3. Colusa County (1:4,408)
4. Trinity County (1:3,407)
5. Sierra County (1:3,207)

*The counties with the lowest Population per DDS are:

1. San Francisco County (1:701)
2. Orange County (1:820)
3. Placer County (1:837)
4. Marin County (1:842)
5. Santa Clara County (1:847)

*The counties with the biggest increase in active licensed dentists as of April 22, 2019 were Sacramento with 9 additional dentists, San Luis Obispo with 7 additional dentists, and Kern and Ventura with 6 additional dentists each. Los Angeles and San Francisco had a decrease of 16 dentists each and San Mateo had a decrease of 7 dentists.

B. Following are monthly dental statistics by pathway as of April 22, 2019

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*Deficient Applications by pathway: WREB – 72, Residency – 15, Credential – 49, Portfolio – 0, Total – 136

**Application Definitions**

**Received**
Application submitted in physical form or digitally through Breeze system.

**Approved**
Application for eligibility of licensure processed with all required documentation.

**License Issued**
Application processed with required documentation and paid prorated fee for initial license.

**Cancelled**
Board requests staff to remove application (i.e. duplicate).

**Withdrawn**
Applicant requests Board to remove application

**Denied**
Applicant fails to provide requirements for licensure (BPC 1635.5)

**Deficient**
Application processed lacking one or more requirements

C. Following are graphs of monthly Dental statistics as of April 22, 2019
Dental Applications Received in 2019

Dental Applications Approved in 2019
Dental Licenses Issued in 2019

Deficient Applications as of April 22, 2019

*Deficient: Pending with one or more requirements missing in application*
Cancelled Dental Applications in 2019

Withdrawn Dental Applications in 2019

Agenda Item 17(a): Review of Dental Licensing and Permit Statistics
Dental Board of California Meeting
May 15-16, 2019
Denied Dental Applications in 2019

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- **WREB**: 1
- **Residency**: 0
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Agenda Item 17(a): Review of Dental Licensing and Permit Statistics
Dental Board of California Meeting
May 15-16, 2019
DATE: April 26, 2019  
TO: Members of the Dental Board of California  
FROM: Jessica Olney, Associate Governmental Program Analyst  
Dental Board of California  
SUBJECT: Agenda Item 17(b): General Anesthesia and Conscious Sedation Permit Evaluation Statistics  

### 2018-2019 Statistical Overviews of the On-Site Inspections and Evaluations Administered by the Board

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There is a great need for conscious sedation evaluators throughout California. Several evaluations have been postponed recently due to a lack of available evaluators. The Board is actively recruiting for the evaluation program.
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**Completed evaluations per month**

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**Action Requested:**

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MEMORANDUM

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**Background:**
Representatives from the California Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (CALAOMS) will provide a presentation on the 2019 Opioid Education Project.

**Action Requested:**
No action requested.
MEMORANDUM

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The Diversion Evaluation Committee (DEC) program statistics for quarter ending March 31, 2019, are provided below. These statistics reflect the participant activity in the Diversion (Recovery) Program and are presented for information purposes only.

These statistics are derived from the MAXIMUS monthly reports.

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The Board is currently recruiting for a public member position on the Northern DEC; two dental positions on the Southern DEC; a physician/psychologist position on both the Northern and Southern DEC; and a dental auxiliary position on both the Northern and Southern DEC.

The next DEC meeting is scheduled on May 15, 2019, in Northern California.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

No action requested.
MEMORANDUM

DATE        April 17, 2019
TO          Members of the Dental Board of California
FROM        Carlos Alvarez, Enforcement Chief
            Dental Board of California
SUBJECT     Agenda Item 18(c): Update Regarding the February 26, 2019 and April
            23, 2019 Statewide Opioid Safety Workgroup Meetings

Background:

I attended the Statewide Opioid Safety Workgroup Meeting on February 26, 2019.

The following nine SOS workgroup Opioid Strategies have been finalized and were discussed.

1. **Strengthen Statewide Collaboration**
   Coordinating of diverse partnership to strengthen shared efforts to address the opioid epidemic in California.

2. **Promote safe Prescribing**
   California is working to reduce unsafe, long-term, and high-dose prescribing practices.

3. **Building community Capacity**
   Providing funding, technical assistance, and data to build and strengthen communities combating opioids in their unique populations.

4. **Expand Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)**
   Expanding access to effective and evidence-based MAT to treat and reduce addictions and save lives.

5. **Increase Access to Naloxone**
   Distributing naloxone to counter opioid overdose.

6. **Reduce access to and negative consequences of illicit drugs**
   Limiting the supply of illicit drugs and promoting harm reduction services, such as syringe exchange, reduces the negative consequences for those using these drugs.

7. **Address Priority Population is High Risk Settings**
   Increase access to care and services for high risk populations (pregnant women, veterans, older adults, youths, and incarcerated individuals) in jails, prisons, hospitals, and tribal communities, etc.
8. **Promote Public Education and Awareness**
   Educating Californians about the risks of using opioids and promoting safe and responsible use.

9. **Translate data into actionable information**
   Enhancing data visualization and integrating multiple sources of data to inform policy and practice in California.

The Maternal Neonatal Task Force attended the meeting and presented their task force objectives and core principles. The Maternal Neonatal Force asked the SOS workgroup to adopt their Core Principles as an SOS Workgroup product and to promote these principles.

**Objectives:**

- Endorse core principles of evidence-based care of perinatal women with Substance Use Disorder and their infants.
- Advise and make recommendations for statewide efforts to improve Substance Use Disorder maternal, neonatal, and infant care.
- Explore policy and payment opportunities to support workforce development and improved care for perinatal women and their infants.

**Core Principles:**

**Prevention:**
- All prescribers caring for women of reproductive age practice opioid stewardship to prevent opioid dependence and addiction.

**Treatment:**
- All perinatal women have access to screening, treatment and recovery services without barriers, including medications for addiction treatment, aligned with the ACOG (The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists opioid bundle.
- All substance exposed newborns are treated with evidence-based care that prioritizes mother/baby bonding when considering medical interventions.

**Support:**
- All health, social services, county welfare, mental/behavioral health, and criminal justice interventions impacting women with substance use disorders and their infants to promote the mother-baby dyad and bonding, trauma informed approaches, family resilience, recovery, and evidence-based care.

The California Correctional Health Services, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation attended the meeting and presented on the Opioid Stewardship Program in Prison.

**Context for change:**
From 2017 through October 2018 there was an increase of reported drug overdose cases at CDCR. In 2017 there were 588 Emergency Department Encounters, 155 hospitalizations and 37 deaths all in relation to drug overdose. In 2018 there were 730 Emergency Encounters, 155 hospitalizations and 42 deaths all in relation to overdose. Between 2013-2016 the overdose death rate within the initial 14 transitional days back into the community was 43.6%, and from 366-720 transition days, the overdose death rate was 8.2%.

**Agenda Item 18(c): Statewide Opioid Safety Workgroup Meeting Update**
Dental Board of California Meeting
May 15-16, 2019
Opioid Stewardship Program in CDCR:

Optimize Pain Management
- 3-part evidence-based guideline
- Assessment
- Non-Opioid Therapy
- Opioid Therapy
- Risk Assess
- Opioid Agreement
- Urine Toxicology monitoring
- CURES

Increase Access to Naloxone
- Emergency Medical Response Program Naloxone Initiative for 2018 prescriptions increased.
  In January of 2018 sixty-nine (69) prescriptions for Naloxone were prescribed. By the end of
  December of 2018 seven hundred forty-one (741) prescriptions were prescribed.

Increase Access to Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)
- Screen and Assess; If moderate – high risk, assign to appropriate level of care using ASAM
  (American Society of Addiction Medicine) criteria. Determine need for Medication Assisted
  Treatment (MAT). Assign to appropriate Institution based on care needs.

Health Care transition teams partner with parole / probation, county Liaisons and others to
successfully reintegrate individuals back to the community
- Enroll & Activate in Medi-Cal
- Secure housing
- Arrange transport
- Schedule Health Care Appointments
- Engage family and peer support
- Transitional Guidance on finances, employment and education.

On April 23, 2019, Investigative Analysis Unit Manager, Alexander Bourdaniotis attended the
Statewide Opioid Safety Workgroup Meeting.

Drug Safety Communication: Risks with Sudden Discontinuation of Opioids

On April 9, 2019, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issued a warning that it has received
reports of serious harm in patients who are physically dependent on opioid pain medicines when these
medicines are suddenly discontinued, or the dose is rapidly decreased. Examples of serious harm
include serious withdrawal symptoms, uncontrolled pain, psychological distress, and suicide. The FDA
is requiring expanded guidance within the prescribing information of opioids that are intended for use
in the outpatient setting on how to safely decrease the dose in patients who are physically dependent
on opioids. While not every patient taking opioids requires tapering, health care professionals should
not abruptly discontinue opioids in a patient who is physically dependent on opioids.

For more information about when and how to taper opioids for chronic pain, providers may refer to the
Pocket Guide: Tapering Opioids for Chronic Pain, which can be found on the Centers for Disease
Control and Prevention (CDC) website.
Opioid Efforts with American Indian/Alaska Native Populations (AI/AN)

California’s Tribal Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Expansion Project

In 2015, DHCS began conversations with tribal communities regarding the gaps in treatment availability for Substance Use Disorders (SUD) services. Tribal partners, Tribal health clinics and the state began designing a culturally responsive system dedicating $11M of federal Opioid State Targeted Response (STR) and State Opioid Response (SOR) grant dollars specifically for the Tribal MAT Project.

Tele-MAT

- A contractor is providing MAT telehealth services to patients with Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) and co-occurring disorders in 12 Indian Health Programs statewide.
- Also provided are onsite scheduling of patient visits, Indian Health Provider needs assessment, technical assistance around naloxone and American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) criteria, as well as several other efforts to enhance the MAT in the Indian Health Provider settings.
- On-site technical assistance and protocols for Tribal clinics adding MAT at their site.
- Referral service to contractor for MAT patients with more complex co-occurring disorders.
- The delivery of six educational Webinars to date for participating programs.
- TeleWell website @ https://www.telewell.org/ that includes all webinar recordings, all intake materials available for download, coaching/TA materials (including Katie Bell’s MAT Handbook).

Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) Suicide Prevention

- OUD prevention services to the parent(s) or guardian(s) of youths receiving care at the consortium.
- OUD prevention and intensive case management programs utilizing a family focused wraparound model and the Native American Mental Health Theory of Change framework for youth and their families.
- Community activity engagement for youth and their families.
- Developing a curriculum around suicide prevention and its relation to OUD.
- Services began November 2018.

Statistics (Average Estimate Per 100,000 2008-2018)

AI/AN Deaths from All Opioids in CA per
- AI/AN- 13
- Black- 5
- Latino- 3
- White- 8
- Asian- .5

AI/AN Deaths from Prescription Opioids in CA
- AI/AN- 8
• Black- 3
• Latino- 1.5
• White- 6
• Asian- .5

The next SOS meeting is scheduled for June 25, 2019.
MEMORANDUM

DATE        April 29, 2019
TO          Members of the Dental Board of California
FROM        Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer
            Dental Board of California
SUBJECT     Agenda Item 19(a): 2019 Tentative Legislative Calendar – Information Only

The 2019 Tentative Legislative Calendars for both the Senate and Assembly are enclosed.

Action Requested:
No action necessary.
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2019 TENTATIVE LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR
Compiled by the Office of the Secretary of the Senate and the Office of the Chief Clerk
October 31, 2018 (revised)

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**Jul. 12** Last day for policy committees to meet and report bills (J.R. 61(a)(11)). Summer recess begins upon adjournment of this day’s session, provided Budget Bill has been passed (J.R. 51(a)(3)).

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**Sep. 6** Last day to amend bills on the floor (J.R. 61(a)(14)).

**Sep. 13** Last day for each house to pass bills (J.R. 61(a)(15)). Interim Study Recess begins upon adjournment of this day’s session (J.R. 51(a)(4)).

*Holiday schedule subject to Senate Rules committee approval.

**IMPORTANT DATES OCCURRING DURING INTERIM STUDY RECESS**

**2019**

| Oct. 13 | Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature on or before Sep. 13 and in the Governor's possession after Sep. 13 (Art. IV, Sec.10(b)(1)). |

**2020**

| Jan. 1 | Statutes take effect (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c)). |
| Jan. 6 | Legislature reconvenes (J.R. 51(a)(4)). |
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### IMPORTANT DATES OCCURRING DURING INTERIM RECESS

**2019**

Oct. 13  Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature on or before Sept. 13 and in the Governor's possession after Sept. 13 (Art. IV, Sec. 10(b)(1)).

**2020**

Jan. 1  Statutes take effect (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c)).

Jan. 6  Legislature reconvenes (J.R. 51(a)(4)).

*Holiday schedule subject to final approval by Rules Committee.*
MEMORANDUM

DATE
May 16, 2019

TO
Members of the Dental Board of California

FROM
Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer
Dental Board of California

SUBJECT
Agenda Item 19(b): Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Legislation

Background:

The Dental Board of California (Board) has been tracking several bills relating to professions and vocations that impact the Department of Consumer Affairs, healing arts boards and their respective licensees, and licensing boards. In the interest of time, staff will be presenting the following six (6) bills that may have a direct impact on the Board for review and consideration at the May meeting:

1) AB 193 (Patterson) Professions and Vocations
2) AB 544 (Brough) Professions and Vocations: Inactive License Fees
3) AB 613 (Low) Professions and Vocations: Regulatory Fees
4) AB 768 (Brough) Professions and Vocations
5) AB 1622 (Carillo) Family Physicians
6) SB 653 (Chang) Registered Dental Hygienist in Alternative Practice

This memorandum includes information regarding each bill’s status, location, date of introduction, date of last amendment, and a summary. Board staff will present the six (6) bills previously listed and provide information regarding the impact each one has on the Board.

The following five (5) bills have been identified by staff as being of potential interest to Board members but do not directly impact the Board. Information regarding each of these bill’s status, location, date of introduction, date of last amendment, and a summary, as well as a copy of the bill has been included in the meeting materials. Please note staff will not be presenting the following bills to the Board and have not prepared information regarding the impact they would have on the Board; should a Board member desire to discuss one of these bills they may present the bill at the meeting and provide arguments for the Board to take a position:

Agenda Item 19(b): Legislation
Dental Board of California Meeting
May 15-16, 2019
1) AB 316 (Ramos) MediCal: Benefits: Special Dental Care Needs  
2) AB 476 (Bianca Rubio) DCA: Foreign-Trained Professionals  
3) AB 954 (Wood) Dental Services: Third-Party Network Access  
4) AB 994 (Mathis) Business License Fees: Veterans  
5) SB 154 (Pan) MediCal: Restorative Dental Services

If you would like additional information on any of these bills, the following web sites are excellent resources for viewing proposed legislation and finding additional information:

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/  
https://www.senate.ca.gov/  
https://www.assembly.ca.gov/

Action Requested:
The Board may take one of the following actions regarding each bill:

Support  
Support if Amended  
Oppose  
Watch  
Neutral  
No Action
Staff will be presenting the following six (6) bills that may have a direct impact on the Board for review and consideration at the May meeting:

**AB 193**

**AUTHOR:** Patterson [R]
**COAUTHOR(S):** Bates [R], Nielsen [R], Morrell [R], Melendez [R], Gallagher [R], Lackey [R], Choi [R], Voepel [R]
**TITLE:** Professions and Vocations
**INTRODUCED:** 01/10/2019
**LAST AMEND:** 03/20/2019
**DISPOSITION:** Pending
**LOCATION:** Assembly Business and Professions Committee
**SUMMARY:** Requires the Department of Consumer Affairs to conduct a comprehensive review of all licensing requirements for each profession regulated by a board within the Department and identify unnecessary licensing requirements. Requires each board within the department to submit to the department an assessment on the board’s progress in implementing policies to facilitate licensure portability for active duty service members, veterans, and military spouses that includes specified information.
**STATUS:** 04/23/2019 In ASSEMBLY Committee on BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS: Not heard.

**IMPACT ON BOARD:**
The fiscal impact to the Board would be minor and absorbable within the existing resources. The Board would have to prepare reports / extracts to provide data in support of the legislative reporting requirements. AB 193 would require a BreEZe modification to determine the number of active duty service members, veterans, and military spouses who applied for licensure and the number of applications for waived renewal fees submitted by active duty service members in each of the previous two calendar years.

**BOARD POSITION:**

**AB 544**

**AUTHOR:** Brough [R]
**TITLE:** Professions and Vocations: Inactive License Fees
**INTRODUCED:** 02/13/2019
**LAST AMEND:** 03/21/2019
**DISPOSITION:** Pending
**COMMITTEE:** Assembly Appropriations Committee
**HEARING:** 05/01/2019 9:00 am
**SUMMARY:** Limits the maximum fee for the renewal of a license in an inactive status to no more than half of the renewal fee for an active license. Prohibits a Board from requiring payment of accrued and unpaid renewal fees as a condition of reinstating an expired license or registration.
STATUS:
04/23/2019 From ASSEMBLY Committee on BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS: Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (19-0)

IMPACT ON BOARD:
If AB 544 were approved, the Dental Board would lose approximately $135,000 in license inactivation fees. The renewal of an inactive DDS license is $650 and if the bill passes, it would go down to $325.

The license types for the Dental Assisting Program can actually renew in an inactive status. It is a little harder to estimate as they do not have a separate fee code that differentiates current and inactive license renewals like the Dental Board does. The renewal of an inactive license is $100 and if the bill passes, it could not be more than $50. Of the total current and current/inactive RDA licenses, 12% have a license status of current/inactive. The RDA renewal fees for FY 19/20 are estimated to be $1.783million. 12% of that is $214K. If the fees were reduced by half, then that would turn into a loss of $107K, which would be a rough estimate for the Dental Assisting Program.

BOARD POSITION:

AB 613
AUTHOR: Low [D]
TITLE: Professions and Vocations: Regulatory Fees
INTRODUCED: 02/14/2019
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
SUMMARY: Authorizes each board within the Department of Consumer Affairs to increase every 4 years any fee authorized to be imposed by that board by an amount not to exceed the increase in the California Consumer Price Index for the preceding 4 years, subject to specified conditions. Requires the Director of Consumer Affairs to approve any fee increase proposed by a board except under specified circumstances.

STATUS:
04/25/2019 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY. *****To SENATE. (50-21)

IMPACT ON BOARD:
Given the current bill language, AB 613 would be an additional resource to increase fees in accordance with the Consumer Price Index (CPI), although the Board could still pursue fee increases through the regulatory process. The Board staff recommend a support position, if amended to clarify in language that AB 613 will allow Boards the flexibility to increase fees in regulation and, if necessary, through the percentage identified in the CPI.

BOARD POSITION:
AB 768

AUTHOR: Brough [R]
TITLE: Professions and Vocations
INTRODUCED: 02/19/2019
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Business and Professions Committee
SUMMARY:
Authorizes the Department of Consumer Affairs and each board in the Department to charge a fee not to exceed a specified amount for the certification of a copy of any record, document or paper in its custody. Requires that the delinquency, penalty, or late fee for any licensee within the Department to be a specified percentage of the renewal fee for that license, but not to exceed a specified amount.

STATUS:
02/28/2019 To ASSEMBLY Committee on BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS.

IMPACT ON BOARD:
In its current form, this bill would not affect the Dental Board and our fee schedules, since existing code stipulates “Except as otherwise provided by law”, the amounts set by the DPA for these situations are in compliance.

BOARD POSITION:

AB 1622

AUTHOR: Carrillo [D]
TITLE: Family Physicians
INTRODUCED: 02/22/2019
LAST AMEND: 04/04/2019
FILE: 204
LOCATION: Assembly Consent Calendar - First Legislative Day
SUMMARY:
Requires the committee to include family physicians when appointing a committee of qualified physicians and nurses, including obstetricians and nurse-midwives, to develop the necessary standards relating to educational requirements, ratios of nurse-midwives to supervising physicians, and associated matters.

STATUS:
04/25/2019 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time. To Consent Calendar.

IMPACT ON BOARD:
Board permit holders would need to update their written informed consent information to include the new reference to a family physician. No fiscal impact to the Board as family physician would fall under a licensed health professional as described in Business and Professions Code 1682(a).

BOARD POSITION:
SB 653

**AUTHOR:** Chang [R]

**TITLE:** Registered Dental Hygienist in Alternative Practice

**INTRODUCED:** 02/22/2019

**LAST AMEND:** 04/25/2019

**DISPOSITION:** Pending

**LOCATION:** Senate Appropriations Committee

**SUMMARY:**

Authorizes a registered dental hygienist to provide, without supervision, fluoride varnish to a patient, and to provide services and oral screenings at specified sponsored events and nonprofit organizations. Authorizes a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice to practice in specified clinics or in a professional corporation without being an employee of that clinic or professional corporation.

**STATUS:**

04/25/2019 In SENATE. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

**BOARD POSITION:**
The following bills have been identified by staff as being of potential interest to Board members but do not directly impact the Board. Please note staff will not be presenting the following bills to the Board and have not prepared information regarding the impact they would have on the Board; should a Board member desire to discuss one of these bills they may present the bill at the meeting and provide arguments for the Board to take a position:

**AB 316**
- **AUTHOR:** Ramos [D]
- **COAUTHOR(S):** Frazier [D], Rivas R [D]
- **TITLE:** MediCal: Benefits: Special Dental Care Needs
- **INTRODUCED:** 01/30/2019
- **LAST AMEND:** 04/04/2019
- **DISPOSITION:** Pending
- **COMMITTEE:** Assembly Appropriations Committee
- **HEARING:** 05/01/2019 9:00 am

**SUMMARY:** Requires the department to implement a special needs treatment and management benefit that would be provided for 4 visits in a 12-month period for a Medi-Cal dental program beneficiary with special dental care needs. Requires a Medi-Cal dental program provider to document specified information, including the need for additional time to treat a Medi-Cal dental program beneficiary with special dental care needs, for purposes of reimbursement.

**STATUS:**
- 04/09/2019 From ASSEMBLY Committee on HEALTH: Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (15-0)

**AB 476**
- **AUTHOR:** Rubio [D]
- **TITLE:** Dept. of Consumer Affairs: Foreign-Trained Professional
- **INTRODUCED:** 02/12/2019
- **DISPOSITION:** Pending
- **LOCATION:** Assembly Appropriations Committee

**SUMMARY:** Requires the Department of Consumer Affairs to create a task force to study and write a report of its findings and recommendations regarding the licensing of foreign trained professionals with the goal of integrating foreign trained professionals into the state's workforce. Authorizes the task force to hold hearings and invite testimony from experts and the public to gather information.

**STATUS:**
- 04/03/2019 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense File.

**AB 954**
- **AUTHOR:** Wood [D]
- **TITLE:** Dental Services: Third-Party Network Access
- **INTRODUCED:** 02/21/2019
- **LAST AMEND:** 03/27/2019
- **DISPOSITION:** Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee
SUMMARY: Authorizes a health care service plan or health insurer that issues, sells, renews, or offers a contract or policy covering dental services, including a specialized health care service plan contract or specialized policy of health insurance, or a contracting entity, to grant third party access to a provider network contract entered into, amended, or renewed on or after January 1, 2020.
STATUS: 04/24/2019 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense File.

AB 994

AUTHOR: Mathis [R]
TITLE: Business License Fees: Veterans
INTRODUCED: 02/21/2019
LAST AMEND: 03/21/2019
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee
SUMMARY: Exempts any veteran who has served in any branch of the United States Armed Forces, has been honorably discharged from active service, and who owns a business by a majority, from the payment of any license tax or fee imposed by any county or the state. Requires the County Board of Supervisors to issue a license to the veteran without cost.
STATUS: 04/24/2019 From ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (8-0)

SB 154

AUTHOR: Pan [D]
TITLE: Medi-Cal: Restorative Dental Services
INTRODUCED: 01/23/2019
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee
SUMMARY: Authorizes a provider of services for the treatment of dental caries to provide, and receive reimbursement for, the application of silver diamine fluoride when used as a caries arresting agent if the provider first consults with the beneficiary and obtains written informed consent, and if the treatment is included as part of a comprehensive treatment plan, to the extent that federal financial participation is available and any necessary federal approvals have been obtained.
STATUS: 04/08/2019 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense File.
An act to amend Sections 7316, 19011, 19017, 19051, 19059.5, 19060.6, and 19170 of, to add and repeal Section 101.5 of, and to repeal Sections 19010.1 and 19052 of, the Business and Professions Code, and to amend Section 110371 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to professions and vocations.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 193, as amended, Patterson. Professions and vocations.

(1) Existing law establishes the Department of Consumer Affairs in the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency to, among other things, ensure that certain businesses and professions that have potential impact upon the public health, safety, and welfare are adequately regulated.

This bill would require the department, beginning on January 1, 2021, to conduct a comprehensive review of all licensing requirements for each profession regulated by a board within the department and identify unnecessary licensing requirements, as defined by the bill. The bill, beginning February 1, 2021, and every 2 years thereafter, would require each board within the department to submit to the department an
assessment on the board’s progress in implementing policies to facilitate licensure portability for active duty service members, veterans, and military spouses that includes specified information. The bill would require the department to report to the Legislature on January 1, 2023, and every 2 years thereafter, on the department’s progress in conducting its review; and would require the department to issue a final report to the Legislature no later than January 1, 2033. The bill would require the biennial reports to the Legislature to include the assessment information submitted by each board to the department, to identify the professions reviewed, and the department’s recommendations to the Legislature on whether to keep, modify, or eliminate the unnecessary licensing requirement. The bill would require the department to apply for federal funds that have been made available specifically for the purpose of reviewing, updating, and eliminating overly burdensome licensing requirements, as provided.

(2) Existing law, the Barbering and Cosmetology Act, provides for the licensure and regulation of the practice of cosmetology by the State Board of Barbering and Cosmetology in the department and defines the practice of both barbering and cosmetology to include shampooing the hair of any person. The act also specifies that, within the practice of cosmetology, there is the specialty branch of skin care, which includes applying makeup.

This bill would delete shampooing another person from the practice of barbering and cosmetology, and would delete the act of applying makeup on another person from the specialty practice of skin care. The bill would require a person who does not hold a barbering or cosmetology license to disclose that fact before the unlicensed person applies makeup to or shampoos the hair of another person.

(3) Existing law provides for the regulation of custom upholsterers by the Bureau of Household Goods and Services in the department, and requires every custom upholsterer to hold a custom upholsterer’s license.

This bill would delete those provisions requiring licensure of custom upholsterers.

(4) The bill would make conforming and other nonsubstantive changes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:
(a) Many entities, including the Federal Trade Commission, the United States Department of Labor, and the Milton Marks “Little Hoover” Commission on California State Government Organization and Economy, have acknowledged the unnecessary burdens that occupational licensing places on otherwise qualified workers.
(b) Unnecessary licensing increases costs for consumers and restricts opportunities for workers.
(c) Researchers show that occupational licensing restrictions can result in almost three million fewer jobs and a cost of over $200,000,000,000 to consumers.
(d) The Institute for Justice estimates that burdensome licensing in California results in a loss of 195,917 jobs and $22,000,000,000 in misallocated resources.
(e) California is the most broadly and onerously licensed state in the nation and has been identified as the nation’s worst licensing environment for workers in lower-income occupations.
(f) Licensing is also believed to disproportionately affect minorities and exacerbate income inequality.

SEC. 2. Section 101.5 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:
101.5. (a) The department shall apply for federal funds that have been made available specifically for the purposes of reviewing, updating, and eliminating overly burdensome licensing requirements.
(b) Beginning on January 1, 2021, the department shall conduct a comprehensive review of all licensing requirements for each profession and shall identify unnecessary licensing requirements. The department shall conduct the review whether or not the state receives federal funds pursuant to subdivision (a).
(c) (1) Beginning on February 1, 2021, and every two years thereafter, each board identified in Section 101 shall submit to the department an assessment on the board’s progress in implementing policies to facilitate licensure portability for active duty service members, veterans, and military spouses. The assessment shall include the following information:
(A) The number of active duty service members, veterans, and military spouses who applied for licensure for each of the previous two calendar years.

(B) The board’s process for expediting applications for active duty service members, veterans, and military spouses, the average processing time for an expedited application, and the number of expedited application requests received in each of the previous two calendar years.

(C) The number of applications for waived renewal fees submitted by active duty service members in each of the previous two calendar years.

(D) If the board issues temporary licenses pursuant to Section 115.6, the duration of, and requirements for obtaining, the temporary license.

(E) Whether an applicant may apply, and the requirements, for licensure by endorsement.

(F) A list of the states with which the board maintains reciprocity agreements, if any.

(2) The department shall submit the information received pursuant to paragraph (1) as part of the report required to be submitted to the Legislature pursuant to subdivision (d).

(e) The department shall report to the Legislature on January 1, 2023, and every two years thereafter until the department has completed its review, on the department’s progress in conducting the review. The department shall issue a final report to the Legislature no later than January 1, 2033. Each biennial report shall be organized by board and shall include all of the following:

(1) The professions reviewed by the department in the preceding two years.

(2) Unnecessary licensing requirements identified by the department for each profession reviewed.

(3) For each unnecessary licensing requirement, the department’s recommendation to the Legislature to keep, modify, or eliminate the unnecessary licensing requirement.

(4) For each unnecessary licensing requirement that the department recommends to keep, facts supporting the department’s recommendation.
(5) The information submitted to the department pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (c).

(e) The department may use national licensing standards, where applicable, as a baseline for evaluating the necessity of licensing requirements.

(f) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

(1) “Military spouse” means a person who is married to, or in a domestic partnership or other legal union with, an active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is assigned to a duty station in this state under official active duty military orders.

(2) “Profession” means a profession or vocation regulated by a board identified in Section 101.

(3) “Unnecessary licensing requirement” means a licensing requirement that does not satisfy either of the following criteria:

(A) Protects the health and safety of the public or a licensee.

(B) Satisfies a national licensing or certification requirement.

(g) A report to be submitted pursuant to subdivision (d) shall be submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.

(h) Notwithstanding Section 10231.5 of the Government Code, this section is repealed on January 1, 2034.

SEC. 3. Section 7316 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

7316. (a) The practice of barbering is all or any combination of the following practices:

(1) Shaving or trimming the beard or cutting the hair.

(2) Giving facial and scalp massages or treatments with oils, creams, lotions, or other preparations either by hand or mechanical appliances.

(3) Singeing, arranging, dressing, curling, waving, chemical waving, hair relaxing, or dyeing the hair or applying hair tonics.

(4) Applying cosmetic preparations, antiseptics, powders, oils, clays, or lotions to scalp, face, or neck.
(5) Hairstyling of all textures of hair by standard methods that are current at the time of the hairstyling.

(b) The practice of cosmetology is all or any combination of the following practices:

(1) Arranging, dressing, curling, waving, machineless permanent waving, permanent waving, cleansing, cutting, relaxing, singeing, bleaching, tinting, coloring, straightening, dyeing, applying hair tonics to, beautifying, or otherwise treating by any means, the hair of any person.

(2) Massaging, cleaning, or stimulating the scalp, face, neck, arms, or upper part of the human body, by means of the hands, devices, apparatus, or appliances, with or without the use of cosmetic preparations, antiseptics, tonics, lotions, or creams.

(3) Beautifying the face, neck, arms, or upper part of the human body, by use of cosmetic preparations, antiseptics, tonics, lotions, or creams.

(4) Removing superfluous hair from the body of any person by the use of depilatories or by the use of tweezers, chemicals, or preparations or by the use of devices or appliances of any kind or description, except by the use of light waves, commonly known as rays.

(5) Cutting, trimming, polishing, tinting, coloring, cleansing, or manicuring the nails of any person.

(6) Massaging, cleansing, treating, or beautifying the hands or feet of any person.

(c) Within the practice of cosmetology there exist the specialty branches of skin care and nail care.

(1) Skin care is any one or more of the following practices:

(A) Giving facials, giving skin care, removing superfluous hair from the body of any person by the use of depilatories, tweezers, or waxing, or applying eyelashes to any person.

(B) Beautifying the face, neck, arms, or upper part of the human body, by use of cosmetic preparations, antiseptics, tonics, lotions, or creams.

(C) Massaging, cleaning, or stimulating the face, neck, arms, or upper part of the human body, by means of the hands, devices, apparatus, or appliances, with the use of cosmetic preparations, antiseptics, tonics, lotions, or creams.

(2) Nail care is the practice of cutting, trimming, polishing, coloring, tinting, cleansing, manicuring, or pedicuring the nails of
any person or massaging, cleansing, or beautifying from the elbow
to the fingertips or the knee to the toes of any person.

(d) The practice of barbering and the practice of cosmetology
do not include any of the following:

(1) The mere sale, fitting, or styling of wigs or hairpieces.

(2) Natural hair braiding. Natural hair braiding is a service that
results in tension on hair strands or roots by twisting, wrapping,
weaving, extending, locking, or braiding by hand or mechanical
device, provided that the service does not include haircutting or
the application of dyes, reactive chemicals, or other preparations
to alter the color of the hair or to straighten, curl, or alter the
structure of the hair.

(3) Threading. Threading is a technique that results in removing
hair by twisting thread around unwanted hair and pulling it from
the skin and the incidental trimming of eyebrow hair.

(4) Shampooing hair. However, before a person who does not
hold a barbering or cosmetology license shampoos the hair of
another person, the unlicensed person shall disclose verbally or in
writing to the other person that they do not hold a barbering or
cosmetology license.

(5) Applying makeup. However, before a person who does not
hold a barbering or cosmetology license applies makeup to another
person, the unlicensed person shall disclose verbally or in writing
to the other person that they do not hold a barbering or cosmetology
license.

(e) Notwithstanding paragraph (2) of subdivision (d), a person
who engages in natural hairstyling, which is defined as the
provision of natural hair braiding services together with any of the
services or procedures defined within the regulated practices of
barbering or cosmetology, is subject to regulation pursuant to this
chapter and shall obtain and maintain a barbering or cosmetology
license as applicable to the services respectively offered or
performed.

(f) Electrolysis is the practice of removing hair from, or
destroying hair on, the human body by the use of an electric needle
only.

“Electrolysis” as used in this chapter includes electrolysis or
thermolysis.

SEC. 4. Section 19010.1 of the Business and Professions Code
is repealed.
SEC. 5. Section 19011 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

19011. “Manufacturer” means a person who, either by themselves or through employees or agents, makes any article of upholstered furniture or bedding in whole or in part, using either new or secondhand material.

SEC. 6. Section 19017 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

19017. “Owner’s material” means any article or material belonging to a person for their own, or their tenant’s use, that is sent to any manufacturer or bedding renovator or used in repairing or renovating.

SEC. 7. Section 19051 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

19051. Every upholstered-furniture retailer, unless the person holds an importer’s license, a furniture and bedding manufacturer’s license, a wholesale furniture and bedding dealer’s license, or a retail furniture and bedding dealer’s license, shall hold a retail furniture dealer’s license.

(a) This section does not apply to a person whose sole business is designing and specifying for interior spaces, and who purchases specific amenable upholstered furniture items on behalf of a client, provided that the furniture is purchased from an appropriately licensed importer, wholesaler, or retailer. This section does not apply to a person who sells “used” and “antique” furniture as defined in Sections 19008.1 and 19008.2.

(b) This section does not apply to a person who is licensed as a home medical device retail facility by the State Department of Health Services, provided that the furniture is purchased from an appropriately licensed importer, wholesaler, or retailer.

SEC. 8. Section 19052 of the Business and Professions Code is repealed.

SEC. 9. Section 19059.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

19059.5. Every sanitizer shall hold a sanitizer’s license unless the person is licensed as a home medical device retail facility by the State Department of Health Services or as an upholstered furniture and bedding manufacturer, retail furniture and bedding dealer, or retail bedding dealer.
SEC. 10. Section 19060.6 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

19060.6. Every person who, on their own account, advertises, solicits, or contracts to manufacture upholstered furniture or bedding, and who either does the work themselves or has others do it, shall obtain the particular license required by this chapter for the particular type of work that the person solicits or advertises that the person will do, regardless of whether the person has a shop or factory.

SEC. 11. Section 19170 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

19170. (a) The fee imposed for the issuance and for the biennial renewal of each license granted under this chapter shall be set by the chief, with the approval of the director, at a sum not more nor less than that shown in the following table:

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(b) Individuals who, in their own homes and without the employment of any other person, make, sell, advertise, or contract to make pillows, quilts, quilted pads, or comforters are exempt from the fee requirements imposed by subdivision (a). However, these individuals shall comply with all other provisions of this chapter.

(c) Retailers who only sell “used” and “antique” furniture as defined in Sections 19008.1 and 19008.2 are exempt from the fee requirements imposed by subdivision (a). Those retailers are also exempt from the other provisions of this chapter.
(d) A person who makes, sells, or advertises upholstered furniture and bedding as defined in Sections 19006 and 19007, and who also makes, sells, or advertises furniture used exclusively for the purpose of physical fitness and exercise, shall comply with the fee requirements imposed by subdivision (a).

(e) A person who has paid the required fee and who is licensed as an upholstered furniture and bedding manufacturer under this chapter shall not be required to additionally pay the fee for a sanitizer’s license.

SEC. 12. Section 110371 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

110371. (a) A professional cosmetic manufactured on or after July 1, 2020, for sale in this state shall have a label affixed on the container that satisfies all of the labeling requirements for any other cosmetic pursuant to the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. Sec. 301, et seq.), and the federal Fair Packaging and Labeling Act (15 U.S.C. Sec. 1451, et seq.).

(b) The following definitions shall apply to this section:

(1) “Ingredient” has the same meaning as in Section 111791.5.

(2) “Professional” means a person that has been granted a license by the State Board of Barbering and Cosmetology to practice in the field of cosmetology, barbering, or esthetics.

(3) “Professional cosmetic” means a cosmetic product as it is defined in Section 109900 that is intended or marketed to be used only by a professional on account of a specific ingredient, increased concentration of an ingredient, or other quality that requires safe handling, or is otherwise used by a professional.
An act to amend Section 4073 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to healing arts.

Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of professions and vocations by various boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law provides for the payment of a fee for the renewal of certain licenses, certificates, or permits in an inactive status, and, for certain licenses, certificates, and permits that have expired, requires the payment of all accrued fees as a condition of reinstatement of the license, certificate, or permit.

This bill would limit the maximum fee for the renewal of a license in an inactive status to no more than 50% of the renewal fee for an active license. The bill would also prohibit a board from requiring payment of accrued and unpaid renewal fees as a condition of reinstating an expired license or registration.
The Pharmacy Law provides for the licensure and regulation of pharmacists and pharmacies by the California State Board of Pharmacy, which is within the Department of Consumer Affairs, and authorizes a pharmacist filling a prescription order for a drug product prescribed by its brand or trade name to select another drug product with the same active chemical ingredients of the same strength, quantity, and dosage form, and of the same generic drug name of those drug products having the same active chemical ingredients, as specified.

This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to that provision.

State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 121.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:
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3 121.5. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this code, the application of delinquency fees or accrued and unpaid renewal fees for the renewal of expired licenses or registrations shall not apply to licenses or registrations that have lawfully been designated as inactive or retired.
4 (b) Notwithstanding any other law, a board shall not require a person to pay accrued and unpaid renewal fees as a condition of reinstating an expired license or registration.

SEC. 2. Section 462 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

462. (a) Any of the boards, bureaus, commissions, or programs within the department may establish, by regulation, a system for an inactive category of licensure for persons who are not actively engaged in the practice of their profession or vocation.
(b) The regulation shall contain the following provisions:
(1) The holder of an inactive license issued pursuant to this section shall not engage in any activity for which a license is required.
(2) An inactive license issued pursuant to this section shall be renewed during the same time period in which an active license is renewed. The holder of an inactive license need not comply with any continuing education requirement for renewal of an active license.
(3) The renewal fee for a license in an active status shall apply also for a renewal of a license in an inactive status, unless a lesser renewal fee is specified by the board. Status shall be no more than 50 percent of the renewal fee for a license in an active status.

(4) In order for the holder of an inactive license issued pursuant to this section to restore his or her the license to an active status, the holder of an inactive license shall comply with all the following:

(A) Pay the renewal fee.

(B) If the board requires completion of continuing education for renewal of an active license, complete continuing education equivalent to that required for renewal of an active license, unless a different requirement is specified by the board.

(c) This section shall not apply to any healing arts board as specified in Section 701.

SEC. 3. Section 703 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

703. (a) An inactive healing arts license or certificate issued pursuant to this article shall be renewed during the same time period at which an active license or certificate is renewed. In order to renew a license or certificate issued pursuant to this article, the holder thereof need not comply with any continuing education requirement for renewal of an active license or certificate.

(b) Notwithstanding any other law, the renewal fee for a license or certificate in an active inactive status shall apply also for renewal of a license or certificate in an inactive status, unless a lower fee has been established by the issuing board. Be no more than 50 percent of the renewal fee for a license in an active status.

SEC. 4. Section 1006.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

1006.5. Notwithstanding any other law, the amount of regulatory fees necessary to carry out the responsibilities required by the Chiropractic Initiative Act and this chapter are fixed in the following schedule:

(a) Fee to apply for a license to practice chiropractic: three hundred seventy-one dollars ($371).

(b) Fee for initial license to practice chiropractic: one hundred eighty-six dollars ($186).

(c) Fee to renew an active or inactive license to practice chiropractic: three hundred thirteen dollars ($313).
(d) Fee to renew an inactive license to practice chiropractic:
no more than 50 percent of the renewal fee for an active license.

(e) Fee to apply for approval as a continuing education provider:
eighty-four dollars ($84).

(f) Biennial continuing education provider renewal fee: fifty-six
dollars ($56).

(g) Fee to apply for approval of a continuing education course:
fifty-six dollars ($56) per course.

(h) Fee to apply for a satellite office certificate: sixty-two dollars
($62).

(i) Fee to renew a satellite office certificate: thirty-one dollars
($31).

(j) Fee to apply for a license to practice chiropractic pursuant
to Section 9 of the Chiropractic Initiative Act: three hundred
seventy-one dollars ($371).

(k) Fee to apply for a certificate of registration of a chiropractic
corporation: one hundred eighty-six dollars ($186).

(l) Fee to renew a certificate of registration of a chiropractic
corporation: thirty-one dollars ($31).

(m) Fee to file a chiropractic corporation special report:
thirty-one dollars ($31).

(n) Fee to apply for approval as a referral service: five hundred
fifty-seven dollars ($557).

(o) Fee for an endorsed verification of licensure: one hundred
twenty-four dollars ($124).

(p) Fee for replacement of a lost or destroyed license: fifty
dollars ($50).
(q) Fee for replacement of a satellite office certificate: fifty dollars ($50).

(r) Fee for replacement of a certificate of registration of a chiropractic corporation: fifty dollars ($50).

(s) Fee to restore a forfeited or canceled license to practice chiropractic: double the annual renewal fee specified in subdivision (c).

(t) Fee to apply for approval to serve as a preceptor: thirty-one dollars ($31).

(u) Fee to petition for reinstatement of a revoked license: three hundred seventy-one dollars ($371).

(v) Fee to petition for early termination of probation: three hundred seventy-one dollars ($371).

(w) Fee to petition for reduction of penalty: three hundred seventy-one dollars ($371).

SEC. 5. Section 1718 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

1718. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, an expired license may be renewed at any time within five years after its expiration on filing of application for renewal on a form prescribed by the board, and payment of all accrued the renewal and delinquency fees. If the license is renewed more than 30 days after its expiration, the licensee, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay the delinquency fee prescribed by this chapter. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the application is filed, on the date on which the renewal fee is paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee, if any, is paid, whichever last occurs. If so renewed, the license shall continue in effect through the expiration date provided in Section 1715 which next occurs after the effective date of the renewal, when it shall expire if it is not again renewed.

SEC. 6. Section 1718.3 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:
1718.3. (a) A license which is not renewed within five years after its expiration may not be renewed, restored, reinstated, or reissued thereafter, but the holder of the license may apply for and obtain a new license if the following requirements are satisfied:

1. No fact, circumstance, or condition exists which would justify denial of licensure under Section 480.

2. The person pays all of the fees which would be required of him or her if he or she were then applying for the license for the first time and all the renewal and delinquency fees which have accrued since the date on which he or she last renewed his or her license.

3. The person takes and passes the examination, if any, which would be required of him or her if he or she were then applying for the license for the first time, or otherwise establishes to the satisfaction of the board that with due regard for the public interest, he or she is qualified to practice the profession or activity in which he or she seeks to be licensed.

(b) The board may impose conditions on any license issued pursuant to this section, as it deems necessary.

(c) The board may by regulation provide for the waiver or refund of all or any part of the examination fee in those cases in which a license is issued without an examination under this section.

SEC. 7. Section 1936 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

1936. Except as otherwise provided in this article, an expired license may be renewed at any time within five years after its expiration by filing an application for renewal on a form prescribed by the hygiene board and payment of all accrued the renewal and delinquency fees. If the license is renewed after its expiration, the licensee, as a condition precedent of renewal, shall also pay the delinquency fee prescribed by this article. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the application is filed, on the date on which the renewal fee is paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee, if any, is paid, whichever last occurs. If so renewed, the license shall continue in effect until the expiration date provided in Section 1935 that next occurs after the effective date of the renewal.

SEC. 8. Section 2427 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:
2427. (a) Except as provided in Section 2429, a license which has expired may be renewed at any time within five years after its expiration on filing an application for renewal on a form prescribed by the licensing authority and payment of all accrued the renewal fees fee and any other fees required by Section 2424. If the license is not renewed within 30 days after its expiration, the licensee, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay the prescribed delinquency fee, if any. Except as provided in Section 2424, renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the renewal application is filed, on the date on which the renewal fee or accrued renewal fees are is paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee or the delinquency fee and penalty fee, if any, are paid, whichever last occurs. If so renewed, the license shall continue in effect through the expiration date set forth in Section 2422 or 2423 which next occurs after the effective date of the renewal, when it shall expire and become invalid if it is not again renewed.

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the license of a doctor of podiatric medicine which has expired may be renewed at any time within three years after its expiration on filing an application for renewal on a form prescribed by the licensing authority and payment of all accrued the renewal fees fee and any other fees required by Section 2424. If the license is not renewed within 30 days after its expiration, the licensee, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay the prescribed delinquency fee, if any. Except as provided in Section 2424, renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the renewal application is filed, on the date on which the renewal fee or accrued renewal fees are is paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee or the delinquency fee and penalty fee, if any, are paid, whichever last occurs. If so renewed, the license shall continue in effect through the expiration date set forth in Section 2422 or 2423 which next occurs after the effective date of the renewal, when it shall expire and become invalid if it is not again renewed.

SEC. 9. Section 2456.3 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

2456.3. Except as provided in Section 2429, a license which has expired may be renewed at any time within five years after its expiration by filing an application for renewal on a form prescribed by the board and payment of all accrued the renewal fees fee and
any other fees required by Section 2455. Except as provided in
Section 2456.2, renewal under this section shall be effective on
the date on which the renewal application is filed, on the date on
which the renewal fee or accrued renewal fees are paid, or on
the date on which the delinquency fee or the delinquency fee and
penalty fee, if any, are paid, whichever last occurs. If so renewed,
the license shall continue in effect through the expiration date set
forth in Section 2456.1 which next occurs after the effective date
of the renewal.

SEC. 10. Section 2535.2 of the Business and Professions Code
is amended to read:

2535.2. Except as provided in Section 2535.3, a license that
has expired may be renewed at any time within five years after its
expiration upon filing of an application for renewal on a form
prescribed by the board and payment of all accrued and unpaid
renewal fees: the renewal fee. If the license is not renewed on or
before its expiration, the licensee, as a condition precedent to
renewal, shall also pay the prescribed delinquency fee. Renewal
under this section shall be effective on the date on which the
application is filed, on the date on which all the renewal fees are
fee is paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee is paid,
whichever last occurs. If so renewed, the license shall continue in
effect through the expiration date provided in Section 2535, after
the effective date of the renewal, when it shall expire and become
invalid if it is not again renewed.

SEC. 11. Section 2538.54 of the Business and Professions Code
is amended to read:

2538.54. Except as otherwise provided in this article, an expired
license may be renewed at any time within three years after its
expiration upon filing of an application for renewal on a form
prescribed by the board, and payment of all accrued and unpaid
renewal fees: the renewal fee. If the license is renewed after its
expiration the licensee, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall
also pay the delinquency fee prescribed by this article. Renewal
under this section shall be effective on the date on which the
application is filed, on the date on which the renewal fee is paid,
or on the date on which the delinquency fee, if any, is paid,
whichever last occurs. If so renewed, the license shall continue in
effect through the date provided in Section 2538.53 which next
SEC. 12. Section 2646 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

2646. A license that has expired may be renewed at any time within five years after its expiration by applying for renewal as set forth in Section 2644. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the renewal application is filed, on the date on which the renewal fee or accrued renewal fees are paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee and penalty fee, if any, are paid, whichever last occurs. A renewed license shall continue in effect through the expiration date set forth in Section 2644 that next occurs after the effective date of the renewal, at which time it shall expire and become invalid if it is not so renewed.

SEC. 13. Section 2734 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

2734. Upon application in writing to the board and payment of the fee not to exceed 50 percent of the biennial renewal fee, a licensee may have his their license placed in an inactive status for an indefinite period of time. A licensee whose license is in an inactive status may not practice nursing. However, such a licensee does not have to comply with the continuing education standards of Section 2811.5.

SEC. 14. Section 2892.1 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

2892.1. Except as provided in Sections 2892.3 and 2892.5, an expired license may be renewed at any time within four years after its expiration upon filing of an application for renewal on a form prescribed by the board, payment of all accrued and unpaid renewal fees, the renewal fee, and payment of any fees due pursuant to Section 2895.1.

If the license is renewed more than 30 days after its expiration, the licensee, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay the delinquency fee prescribed by this chapter. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the application is filed, on the date on which all the renewal fees are paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee is paid, whichever last occurs. If so renewed, the license shall continue in effect through the date provided in Section 2892 which next occurs after the
effective date of the renewal, when it shall expire if it is not again
renewed.

SEC. 15. Section 2984 of the Business and Professions Code
is amended to read:

2984. Except as provided in Section 2985, a license that has
expired may be renewed at any time within three years after its
expiration on filing of an application for renewal on a form
prescribed by the board and payment of all accrued and unpaid
the renewal fees. If the license is renewed after its expiration,
the licensee, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay
the prescribed delinquency fee, if any. Renewal under this section
shall be effective on the date on which the application is filed, on
the date on which all the renewal fees are paid, or on the date
on which the delinquency fee, if any, is paid, whichever last occurs.
If so renewed, the license shall continue in effect through the
expiration date provided in Section 2982 which next occurs after
the effective date of the renewal, when it shall expire and become
invalid if it is not again renewed.

SEC. 16. Section 3147 of the Business and Professions Code
is amended to read:

3147. (a) Except as otherwise provided by Section 114, an
expired optometrist license may be renewed at any time within
three years after its expiration, and a retired license issued for less
than three years may be reactivated to active status, by filing an
application for renewal or reactivation on a form prescribed by the
board, paying all accrued and unpaid the renewal fees fee or
reactivation fees fee determined by the board, paying any
delinquency fees prescribed by the board, and submitting proof of
completion of the required number of hours of continuing education
for the last two years, as prescribed by the board pursuant to
Section 3059. Renewal or reactivation to active status under this
section shall be effective on the date on which all of those
requirements are satisfied. If so renewed or reactivated to active
status, the license shall continue as provided in Sections 3146 and
3147.5.

(b) Expired statements of licensure, branch office licenses, and
fictitious name permits issued pursuant to Sections 3070, 3077,
and 3078, respectively, may be renewed at any time by filing an
application for renewal, paying all accrued and unpaid renewal
fees, the renewal fee, and paying any delinquency fees prescribed by the board.

SEC. 17. Section 3147.7 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

3147.7. The provisions of Section 3147.6 shall not apply to a person holding a license that has not been renewed within three years of expiration, if the person provides satisfactory proof that he or she holds an active license from another state and meets all of the following conditions:

(a) Is not subject to denial of a license under Section 480.
(b) Applies in writing for restoration of the license on a form prescribed by the board.
(c) Pays all accrued and unpaid renewal fees and any delinquency fees prescribed by the board.
(d) Submits proof of completion of the required number of hours of continuing education for the last two years.
(e) Takes and satisfactorily passes the board’s jurisprudence examination.

SEC. 18. Section 3524 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

3524. A license or approval that has expired may be renewed at any time within five years after its expiration by filing an application for renewal on a form prescribed by the board or Medical Board of California, as the case may be, and payment of all accrued and unpaid renewal fees; the renewal fee. If the license or approval is not renewed within 30 days after its expiration, the licensed physician assistant and approved supervising physician, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay the prescribed delinquency fee, if any. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the application is filed, on the date on which all the renewal fees are paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee, if any, is paid, whichever occurs last. If so renewed, the license shall continue in effect through the expiration date provided in Section 3522 or 3523 which next occurs after the effective date of the renewal, when it shall expire, if it is not again renewed.

SEC. 19. Section 3774 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

3774. On or before the birthday of a licensed practitioner in every other year, following the initial licensure, the board shall
mail to each practitioner licensed under this chapter, at the latest
date furnished by the licensed practitioner to the executive
officer of the board, a notice stating the amount of the renewal fee
and the date on which it is due. The notice shall state that failure
to pay the renewal fee on or before the due date and submit
evidence of compliance with Sections 3719 and 3773 shall result
in expiration of the license.

Each license not renewed in accordance with this section shall
expire but may within a period of three years thereafter be
reinstated upon payment of all accrued and unpaid the renewal
fees and penalty fees required by this chapter. The board may also
require submission of proof of the applicant’s qualifications, except
that during the three-year period no examination shall be required
as a condition for the reinstatement of any expired license that has
lapsed solely by reason of nonpayment of the renewal fee.

SEC. 20. Section 3775.5 of the Business and Professions Code
is amended to read:

3775.5. The fee for an inactive license shall be the same as no
more than 50 percent of the renewal fee for an active license for
the practice of respiratory care as specified in Section 3775.

SEC. 21. Section 4545 of the Business and Professions Code
is amended to read:

4545. Except as provided in Section 4545.2, a license that has
expired may be renewed at any time within four years after its
expiration on filing an application for renewal on a form prescribed
by the board, payment of all accrued and unpaid renewal fees, the
renewal fee, and payment of all fees required by this chapter. If
the license is renewed more than 30 days after its expiration, the
holder, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay the
delinquency fee prescribed by this chapter. Renewal under this
section shall be effective on the date on which the application is
filed, on the date on which the renewal fee is paid, or on the date
on which the delinquency fee, if any, is paid, whichever last occurs.
If so renewed, the license shall continue in effect through the date
provided in Section 4544 which next occurs after the effective date
of the renewal, when it shall expire if it is not again renewed.

A certificate which was forfeited for failure to renew under the
law in effect before October 1, 1961, shall, for the purposes of this
article, be considered to have expired on the date that it became
forfeited.
SEC. 22. Section 4843.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4843.5. Except as otherwise provided in this article, an expired certificate of registration may be renewed at any time within five years after its expiration on filing of an application for renewal on a form prescribed by the board, and payment of all accrued and unpaid renewal fees. If the certificate of registration is renewed more than 30 days after its expiration, the registrant, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay the delinquency fee prescribed by this article. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the application is filed, on the date all renewal fees are paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee, if any, is paid, whichever occurs last.

SEC. 23. Section 4901 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4901. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, an expired license or registration may be renewed at any time within five years after its expiration on filing of an application for renewal on a form prescribed by the board, and payment of all accrued and unpaid renewal fees. If the license or registration is renewed more than 30 days after its expiration, the licensee or registrant, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay the delinquency fee prescribed by this chapter. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the application is filed, on the date on which all renewal fees are paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee, if any, is paid, whichever last occurs. If so renewed, the license or registration shall continue in effect through the expiration date provided in Section 4900 that next occurs after the effective date of the renewal, when it shall expire if it is not again renewed.

SEC. 24. Section 4966 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4966. Except as provided in Section 4969, a license that has expired may be renewed at any time within three years after its expiration by filing of an application for renewal on a form provided by the board, paying all accrued and unpaid renewal fees, the renewal fee, and providing proof of completing continuing education requirements. If the license is not renewed prior to its expiration, the acupuncturist, as a condition precedent to renewal,
shall also pay the prescribed delinquency fee. Renewal under this
section shall be effective on the date on which the application is
filed, on the date on which the renewal fee is paid, or on the date
the delinquency fee is paid, whichever occurs last. If so renewed,
the license shall continue in effect through the expiration date
provided in Section 4965, after the effective date of the renewal,
when it shall expire and become invalid if it is not again renewed.

SEC. 25. Section 4989.36 of the Business and Professions Code
is amended to read:

4989.36. A licensee may renew a license that has expired at
any time within three years after its expiration date by taking all
of the actions described in Section 4989.32 and by paying all
unpaid prior renewal fees and delinquency fees. The delinquency
fee.

SEC. 26. Section 4999.104 of the Business and Professions
Code is amended to read:

4999.104. Licenses issued under this chapter that have expired
may be renewed at any time within three years of expiration. To
renew an expired license described in this section, the licensee
shall do all of the following:
(a) File an application for renewal on a form prescribed by the
board.
(b) Pay all fees that would have been paid if the license had not
become delinquent.
(c) Pay all the delinquency fees. fee.
(d) Certify compliance with the continuing education
requirements set forth in Section 4999.76.
(e) Notify the board whether he or she the licensee has been
convicted, as defined in Section 490, of a misdemeanor or felony,
or whether any disciplinary action has been taken by any regulatory
or licensing board in this or any other state, subsequent to the
licensee’s last renewal.

SEC. 27. Section 5070.6 of the Business and Professions Code
is amended to read:

5070.6. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, an expired
permit may be renewed at any time within five years after its
expiration upon the filing of an application for renewal on a form
prescribed by the board, payment of all accrued and unpaid renewal fees the renewal fee, and providing evidence satisfactory to the board of compliance as required by Section 5070.5. If the permit is renewed after its expiration, its holder, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay the delinquency fee prescribed by this chapter. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the application is filed, on the date on which the accrued renewal fees are fee is paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee, if any, is paid, whichever last occurs. If so renewed, the permit shall continue in effect through the date provided in Section 5070.5 that next occurs after the effective date of the renewal, when it shall expire if it is not again renewed.

SEC. 28. Section 5600.2 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

5600.2. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a license which has expired may be renewed at any time within five years after its expiration on filing of application for renewal on a form prescribed by the board, and payment of all accrued and unpaid renewal fees the renewal fee. If a license is renewed more than 30 days after its expiration, the license holder, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay the delinquency fee prescribed by this chapter. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the application is filed, on the date on which the renewal fee is paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee, if any, is paid, whichever last occurs. If so renewed, the license shall continue in effect through the expiration date provided in this chapter which next occurs after the effective date of the renewal, when it shall expire if it is not again renewed.

SEC. 29. Section 5680.1 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

5680.1. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a license that has expired may be renewed at any time within five years after its expiration on filing of an application for renewal on a form prescribed by the board, and payment of all accrued and unpaid renewal fees the renewal fee. If the license is renewed more than 30 days after its expiration, the license holder, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay the delinquency fee prescribed by this chapter. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the application is filed, on the date on which all the renewal fees are fee is paid, or on the date on which the
delinquency fee, if any, is paid, whichever last occurs. If so renewed, the license shall continue in effect through the date provided in Section 5680 that next occurs after the effective date of the renewal, when it shall expire if it is not again renewed.

SEC. 30. Section 6796 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

6796. Except as otherwise provided in this article, certificates of registration as a professional engineer and certificates of authority may be renewed at any time within five years after expiration on filing of application for renewal on a form prescribed by the board and payment of all accrued and unpaid renewal fees. If the certificate is renewed more than 60 days after its expiration, the certificate holder, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay the delinquency fee prescribed by this chapter. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the application is filed, on the date on which the renewal fee is paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee, if any, is paid, whichever last occurs.

The expiration date of a certificate renewed pursuant to this section shall be determined pursuant to Section 6795.

SEC. 31. Section 6980.28 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

6980.28. A locksmith license not renewed within three years following its expiration may not be renewed thereafter. Renewal of the license within three years, or issuance of an original license thereafter, shall be subject to payment of any and all fines assessed by the chief or the director which are not pending appeal and all other applicable fees.

SEC. 32. Section 7076.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

7076.5. (a) A contractor may inactivate his or her license by submitting a form prescribed by the registrar accompanied by the current active license certificate. When the current license certificate has been lost, the licensee shall pay the fee prescribed by law to replace the license certificate. Upon receipt of an acceptable application to inactivate, the registrar shall issue an inactive license certificate to the contractor. The holder of an inactive license shall not be entitled to practice as a contractor until his or her license is reactivated.
(b) Any licensed contractor who is not engaged in work or activities which require a contractor’s license may apply for an inactive license.

(c) Inactive licenses shall be valid for a period of four years from their due date.

(d) During the period that an existing license is inactive, no bonding requirement pursuant to Section 7071.6, 7071.8 or 7071.9 or qualifier requirement pursuant to Section 7068 shall apply. An applicant for license having met the qualifications for issuance may request that the license be issued inactive unless the applicant is subject to the provisions of Section 7071.8.

(e) The board shall not refund any of the renewal fee which an licensee may have paid prior to the inactivation of his or her the license.

(f) An inactive license shall be renewed on each established renewal date by submitting the renewal application and paying the inactive renewal fee.

(g) An inactive license may be reactivated by submitting an application acceptable to the registrar, by paying the full a fee no more than 50 percent of the renewal fee for an active–license, and by fulfilling all other requirements of this chapter. No examination shall be required to reactivate an inactive license.

(h) The inactive status of a license shall not bar any disciplinary action by the board against a licensee for any of the causes stated in this chapter.

SEC. 33. Section 7417 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

7417. Except as otherwise provided in this article, a license that has expired for failure of the licensee to renew within the time fixed by this article may be renewed at any time within five years following its expiration upon application and payment of all accrued and unpaid the renewal fees and delinquency fees. If the license is renewed after its expiration, the licensee, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay the delinquency fee and meet current continuing education requirements, if applicable, prescribed by this chapter. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the application is filed, or on the date on which the accrued renewal fees are fee is paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee, if any, is paid, whichever occurs last. If so renewed, the license shall continue in effect through the expiration
date provided in this article which next occurs following the
effective date of the renewal, when it shall expire if it is not again
renewed.

SEC. 34. Section 7672.8 of the Business and Professions Code
is amended to read:

7672.8. All cremated remains disposer registrations shall expire
at midnight on September 30 of each year. A person desiring to
renew his or her registration shall file an application for
renewal on a form prescribed by the bureau accompanied by the
required fee. A registration that has expired may be renewed within
five years of its expiration upon payment of all accrued and unpaid
renewal fees: the renewal fee. The bureau shall not renew the
registration of any person who has not filed the required annual
report until he or she has filed a complete annual report
with the department.

SEC. 35. Section 7725.2 of the Business and Professions Code
is amended to read:

7725.2. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a license
that has expired may be renewed at any time within five years after
its expiration on filing of an application for renewal on a form
prescribed by the bureau and payment of all accrued and unpaid
renewal fees: the renewal fee. If the license is not renewed within
30 days after its expiration the licensee, as a condition precedent
to renewal, shall also pay the delinquency fee prescribed by this
chapter. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date
on which the application is filed, on the date on which all the
delinquency fee, if any, is paid, whichever last occurs. If so
renewed, the license shall continue in effect through the date
provided in Section 7725 that next occurs after the effective date
of the renewal, when it shall expire if it is not again renewed.

If a license is not renewed within one year following its
expiration, the bureau may require as a condition of renewal that
the holder of the license pass an examination on the appropriate
subjects provided by this chapter.

SEC. 36. Section 7729.1 of the Business and Professions Code
is amended to read:

7729.1. The amount of fees prescribed for a license or
certificate of authority under this act is that fixed by the following
provisions of this article. Any license or certificate of authority
provided under this act that has expired may be renewed within five years of its expiration upon payment of all accrued and unpaid renewal and regulatory fees. The renewal fee.

SEC. 37. Section 7881 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

7881. Except as otherwise provided in this article, certificates of registration as a geologist or as a geophysicist, or certified specialty certificates, may be renewed at any time within five years after expiration on filing an application for renewal on a form prescribed by the board and payment of all accrued and unpaid renewal fees. The renewal fee. If the certificate is renewed more than 30 days after its expiration, the certificate holder, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay the delinquency fee prescribed by this chapter. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the application is filed, on the date on which all the renewal fees are paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee, if any, is paid, whichever last occurs. If so renewed, the certificate shall continue in effect through the date provided in Section 7880 that next occurs after the effective date of the renewal, when it shall expire if it is not again renewed.

SEC. 38. Section 7883 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

7883. A revoked certificate is subject to expiration as provided in this article, but it may not be renewed. If it is reinstated after its expiration, the holder of the certificate, as a condition precedent to its reinstatement, shall pay a reinstatement fee in an amount equal to the renewal fee in effect on the last regular date before the date on which it is reinstated, plus all accrued and unpaid renewal fees reinstated and the delinquency fee, if any, accrued at the time of its revocation.

SEC. 39. Section 8024.7 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

8024.7. The board shall establish an inactive category of licensure for persons who are not actively engaged in the practice of shorthand reporting.

(a) The holder of an inactive license issued pursuant to this section shall not engage in any activity for which a license is required.

(b) An inactive license issued pursuant to this section shall be renewed during the same time period in which an active license
is renewed. The holder of an inactive license is exempt from any continuing education requirement for renewal of an active license. (c) The renewal fee for a license in an active status shall apply also for a renewal of a license in an inactive status, unless a lesser renewal fee is specified by the board. Be no more than 50 percent of the renewal fee for a license in an active status.

(d) In order for the holder of an inactive license issued pursuant to this section to restore his or her license to an active status, the holder of an inactive license shall comply with both of the following:

1. Pay the renewal fee.
2. If the board requires completion of continuing education for renewal of an active license, complete continuing education equivalent to that required for renewal of an active license, unless a different requirement is specified by the board.

SEC. 40. Section 8802 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

8802. Except as otherwise provided in this article, licenses issued under this chapter may be renewed at any time within five years after expiration on filing of application for renewal on a form prescribed by the board and payment of all accrued and unpaid renewal fees. The renewal fee. If the license is renewed more than 30 days after its expiration, the licensee, as a condition precedent to renewal, shall also pay the delinquency fee prescribed by this chapter. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the application is filed, on the date on which the renewal fee is paid, or on the date on which the delinquency fee, if any, is paid, whichever last occurs. If so renewed, the license shall continue in effect through the date provided in Section 8801 which next occurs after the effective date of the renewal, when it shall expire if it is not again renewed.

SEC. 41. Section 9832 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

9832. (a) Registrations issued under this chapter shall expire no more than 12 months after the issue date. The expiration date of registrations shall be set by the director in a manner to best distribute renewal procedures throughout the year.

(b) To renew an unexpired registration, the service dealer shall, on or before the expiration date of the registration, apply for
renewal on a form prescribed by the director, and pay the renewal
fee prescribed by this chapter.
(c) To renew an expired registration, the service dealer shall
apply for renewal on a form prescribed by the director, pay the
renewal fee in effect on the last regular renewal date, and pay all
accrued and unpaid the delinquency and renewal fees.
(d) Renewal is effective on the date that the application is filed,
filed and the renewal fee is paid, and all delinquency fees are paid.
(e) For purposes of implementing the distribution of the renewal
of registrations throughout the year, the director may extend by
not more than six months, the date fixed by law for renewal of a
registration, except that in that event any renewal fee that may be
involved shall be prorated in a manner that no person shall be
required to pay a greater or lesser fee than would have been
required had the change in renewal dates not occurred.
SEC. 42. Section 9832.5 of the Business and Professions Code
is amended to read:
9832.5. (a) Registrations issued under this chapter shall expire
no more than 12 months after the issue date. The expiration date
of registrations shall be set by the director in a manner to best
distribute renewal procedures throughout the year.
(b) To renew an unexpired registration, the service contractor
shall, on or before the expiration date of the registration, apply for
renewal on a form prescribed by the director, and pay the renewal
fee prescribed by this chapter.
(c) To renew an expired registration, the service contractor shall
apply for renewal on a form prescribed by the director, pay the
renewal fee in effect on the last regular renewal date, and pay all
accrued and unpaid the delinquency and renewal fees.
(d) Renewal is effective on the date that the application is filed,
filed and the renewal fee is paid, and all delinquency fees are paid.
(e) For purposes of implementing the distribution of the renewal
of registrations throughout the year, the director may extend, by
not more than six months, the date fixed by law for renewal of a
registration, except that, in that event, any renewal fee that may
be involved shall be prorated in such a manner that no person shall
be required to pay a greater or lesser fee than would have been
required had the change in renewal dates not occurred.
(f) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2023,
and as of that date is repealed.
SEC. 43. Section 9884.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

9884.5. A registration that is not renewed within three years following its expiration shall not be renewed, restored, or reinstated thereafter, and the delinquent registration shall be canceled immediately upon expiration of the three-year period.

An automotive repair dealer whose registration has been canceled by operation of this section shall obtain a new registration only if he or she again meets the requirements set forth in this chapter relating to registration, is not subject to denial under Section 480, and pays the applicable fees.

An expired registration may be renewed at any time within three years after its expiration upon the filing of an application for renewal on a form prescribed by the bureau and the payment of all accrued renewal and delinquency fees. Renewal under this section shall be effective on the date on which the application is filed and all the renewal and delinquency fees are paid. If so renewed, the registration shall continue in effect through the expiration date of the current registration year as provided in Section 9884.3, at which time the registration shall be subject to renewal.

SEC. 44. Section 19170.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

19170.5. (a) Except as provided in Section 19170.3, licenses issued under this chapter expire two years from the date of issuance. To renew his or her license, a licensee shall, on or before the date on which it would otherwise expire, apply for renewal on a form prescribed by the chief, and pay the fees prescribed by Sections 19170 and 19213.1. If a licensee fails to renew his or her license before its expiration, a delinquency fee of 20 percent, but not more than one hundred dollars ($100), notwithstanding the provisions of Section 163.5, shall be added to the renewal fee. If the renewal fee and delinquency fee are not paid within 90 days after expiration of a license, the licensee shall be assessed an additional penalty fee of 30 percent of the renewal fee.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a licensee may renew an expired license within six years after expiration of the license by filing an application for renewal on a form prescribed
by the bureau, and paying all accrued renewal, delinquent, the renewal, delinquency, and penalty fees.

(c) A license that is not renewed within six years of its expiration shall not be renewed, restored, reinstated, or reissued, but the holder of the license may apply for and obtain a new license if both of the following requirements are satisfied:

(1) No fact, circumstance, or condition exists which would justify denial of licensure under Section 480.

(2) The licensee pays all the renewal, delinquency, and penalty fees that have accrued since the date on which the license was last renewed.

(d) The bureau may impose conditions on any license issued pursuant to subdivision (c).

SEC. 45. Section 19290 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

19290. (a) Permits issued under this chapter expire two years from the date of issuance. To renew a permit, a permittee shall, on or before the date on which it would otherwise expire, apply for renewal on a form prescribed by the chief, and continue to pay the fees prescribed in Sections 19288 and 19288.1. Notwithstanding Section 163.5, if a permittee fails to renew the permit before its expiration, a delinquency fee of 20 percent of the most recent fee paid to the bureau pursuant to Sections 19288 and 19288.1 shall be added to the amount due to the bureau at the next fee interval. If the renewal fee and delinquency fee are not paid within 90 days after expiration of a permit, the permittee shall be assessed an additional fee of 30 percent of the most recent fee paid to the bureau pursuant to Sections 19288 and 19288.1.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a permittee may renew an expired permit within two years after expiration of the permit by filing an application for renewal on a form prescribed by the bureau, and paying all accrued fees.

(c) A permit that is not renewed within two years of its expiration shall not be renewed, restored, reinstated, or reissued, but the holder of the expired permit may apply for and obtain a new permit as provided in this chapter, upon payment of all fees that accrued since the date the permit was last renewed.

(d) The bureau may impose conditions on any permit issued pursuant to subdivision (c).
SECTION 1. Section 4073 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4073. (a) A pharmacist filling a prescription order for a drug product prescribed by its trade or brand name may select another drug product with the same active chemical ingredients of the same strength, quantity, and dosage form, and of the same generic drug name as determined by the United States Adopted Names (USAN) and accepted by the federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA), of those drug products having the same active chemical ingredients.

(b) In no case shall a selection be made pursuant to this section if the prescriber personally indicates, either orally or in the prescriber's own handwriting, “Do not substitute,” or words of similar meaning. Nothing in this subdivision shall prohibit a prescriber from checking a box on a prescription marked “Do not substitute”; provided that the prescriber personally initials the box or checkmark. To indicate that a selection shall not be made pursuant to this section for an electronic data transmission prescription as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 4040, a prescriber may indicate “Do not substitute,” or words of similar meaning, in the prescription as transmitted by electronic data, or may check a box marked on the prescription “Do not substitute.” In either instance, it shall not be required that the prohibition on substitution be manually initialed by the prescriber.

(c) Selection pursuant to this section is within the discretion of the pharmacist, except as provided in subdivision (b). The person who selects the drug product to be dispensed pursuant to this section shall assume the same responsibility for selecting the dispensed drug product as would be incurred in filling a prescription for a drug product prescribed by generic name. There shall be no liability on the prescriber for an act or omission by a pharmacist in selecting, preparing, or dispensing a drug product pursuant to this section. In no case shall the pharmacist select a drug product pursuant to this section unless the drug product selected costs the patient less than the prescribed drug product. Cost, as used in this subdivision, is defined to include any professional fee that may be charged by the pharmacist.

(d) This section shall apply to all prescriptions, including those presented by or on behalf of persons receiving assistance from the federal government or pursuant to the California Medical Assistance Program set forth in Chapter 7 (commencing with
Section 14000) of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(e) When a substitution is made pursuant to this section, the use of the cost-saving drug product dispensed shall be communicated to the patient and the name of the dispensed drug product shall be indicated on the prescription label, except where the prescriber orders otherwise.
An act to add Section 101.1 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to professions and vocations, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 613, as introduced, Low. Professions and vocations: regulatory fees.

Exiting law establishes the Department of Consumer Affairs, which is comprised of boards that are established for the purpose of regulating various professions and vocations, and generally authorizes a board to charge fees for the reasonable regulatory cost of administering the regulatory program for the profession or vocation. Existing law establishes the Professions and Vocations Fund in the State Treasury, which consists of specified special funds and accounts, some of which are continuously appropriated.

This bill would authorize each board within the department to increase every 4 years any fee authorized to be imposed by that board by an amount not to exceed the increase in the California Consumer Price Index for the preceding 4 years, subject to specified conditions. The bill would require the Director of Consumer Affairs to approve any fee increase proposed by a board except under specified circumstances. By authorizing an increase in the amount of fees deposited into a continuously appropriated fund, this bill would make an appropriation.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 101.1 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

101.1. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, no more than once every four years, any board listed in Section 101 may increase any fee authorized to be imposed by that board by an amount not to exceed the increase in the California Consumer Price Index, as determined pursuant to Section 2212 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, for the preceding four years in accordance with the following:

(1) The board shall provide its calculations and proposed fee, rounded to the nearest whole dollar, to the director and the director shall approve the fee increase unless any of the following apply:

(A) The board has unencumbered funds in an amount that is equal to more than the board’s operating budget for the next two fiscal years.

(B) The fee would exceed the reasonable regulatory costs to the board in administering the provisions for which the fee is authorized.

(C) The director determines that the fee increase would be injurious to the public health, safety, or welfare.

(2) The adjustment of fees and publication of the adjusted fee list is not subject to the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2) of the Government Code.

(b) For purposes of this section, “fee” includes any fees authorized to be imposed by a board for regulatory costs. “Fee” does not include administrative fines, civil penalties, or criminal penalties.
An act to amend Sections 163 and 163.5 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to professions and vocations.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 768, as introduced, Brough. Professions and vocations.
Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of various professions and vocations by boards, as defined, within the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law generally requires the department and each board in the department to charge a fee of $2 for the certification of a copy of any record, document, or paper in its custody. Existing law generally requires that the delinquency, penalty, or late fee for any licensee within the department to be 50% of the renewal fee for that license, but not less than $25 nor more than $150.
This bill would instead authorize the department and each board in the department to charge a fee not to exceed $2 for the certification of a copy of any record, document, or paper in its custody. The bill would also require that the delinquency, penalty, or late fee for any licensee within the department to be 50% of the renewal fee for that license, but not to exceed $150.

SECTION 1. Section 163 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

163. Except as otherwise expressly provided by law, the department and each board in the department may charge a fee of not to exceed two dollars ($2) for the certification of a copy of any record, document, or paper in its custody or for the certification of any document evidencing the content of any such document.

SEC. 2. Section 163.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

163.5. Except as otherwise provided by law, the delinquency, penalty, or late fee for any licensee within the Department of Consumer Affairs shall be 50 percent of the renewal fee for such license in effect on the date of the renewal of the license, but not less than twenty-five dollars ($25) nor more than one hundred fifty dollars ($150).

A delinquency, penalty, or late fee shall not be assessed until 30 days have elapsed from the date that the licensing agency mailed a notice of renewal to the licensee at the licensee’s last known address of record. The notice shall specify the date for timely renewal, and that failure to renew in a timely fashion shall result in the assessment of a delinquency, penalty, or late fee.

In the event a reinstatement or like fee is charged for the reinstatement of a license, the reinstatement fee shall be 150 percent of the renewal fee for such license in effect on the date of the reinstatement of the license, but not more than twenty-five dollars ($25) in excess of the renewal fee, except that in the event that such a fee is fixed by statute at less than 150 percent of the renewal fee and less than the renewal fee plus twenty-five dollars ($25), the fee so fixed shall be charged.
Introduced by Assembly Member Carrillo

February 22, 2019

An act to amend Sections 1682 and 2746.2 of the Business and Professions Code, to amend Section 151001 of, and to add Section 123885.1 to, the Health and Safety Code, to amend Section 1308.8 of the Labor Code, and to amend Section 13776 of the Penal Code, relating to family physicians.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 1622, as amended, Carrillo. Family physicians.
(1) Existing law, the Dental Practice Act, provides for the licensure and regulation of dentists by the Dental Board of California. Existing law makes it unprofessional conduct for a dentist to fail to obtain the written informed consent of a patient before administering general anesthesia and, until January 1, 2022, conscious sedation, and, for a minor, requires the written informed consent to include a statement that encourages the patient to explore all options available for the child’s anesthesia for their dental treatment and consult with the child’s dentist or pediatrician as needed.

This bill would revise the content of the statement to specify that the patient is encouraged to consult with the child’s dentist, pediatrician, or family physician as needed.

(2) Existing law, the Nursing Practice Act, provides for the licensure and regulation of the practice of nursing by the Board of Registered
Nursing and authorizes the board to issue a certificate to practice nurse-midwifery to a person who meets educational standards established by the board or the equivalent of those educational standards. Existing law authorizes the board to appoint a committee of qualified physicians and nurses, including obstetricians and nurse-midwives, to develop the necessary standards relating to educational requirements, ratios of nurse-midwives to supervising physicians, and associated matters.

This bill would additionally require the committee to include family physicians.

(3) Existing law, the Robert W. Crown California Children’s Services Act, establishes the California Children’s Services (CCS) Program, administered by the State Department of Health Care Services and a designated agency of each county, to provide medically necessary services for persons under 21 years of age who have certain medical conditions. Existing law requires physicians who provide services under the CCS Program to be licensed and board certified, as specified, and also requires family physicians to meet additional criteria, including that the family physician has at least 5 years of experience treating children with CCS-eligible medical conditions or meets other requirements.

This bill would instead allow a family physician to participate in the CCS Program if the family physician meets the requirements that apply to any other physician, and would require the department, by July 1, 2020, to revise its regulations and internet website accordingly.

(4) Existing law, the Sexual Health Education Accountability Act, requires a sexual health education program to meet specified requirements, including that information be medically accurate, current, and objective. For purposes of this act, “medically accurate” means, in part, verified or supported by research conducted in compliance with scientific methods and published in peer review journals, and recognized as accurate and objective by professional organizations and agencies with expertise in the relevant field, including the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

This bill would modify the term “medically accurate” to additionally reference the American Academy of Family Physicians as a professional organization with the requisite experience.
(4) Existing law precludes an infant under one month of age to be employed on a motion picture set or location unless a physician and surgeon who is board certified in pediatrics provides written certification concerning the infant, including that the infant was carried to full term. This bill would additionally authorize the prescribed certification to be made by a physician and surgeon who is board certified in family medicine.

(5) Existing law, the Reproductive Rights Law Enforcement Act, requires the Attorney General to carry out certain functions relating to anti-reproductive-rights crimes in consultation with, among others, subject matter experts, and to convene an advisory committee that consists of members of the organizations identified as subject matter experts.

This bill would include the American Academy of Family Physicians as subject matter experts for purposes of the act.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. The Legislature hereby finds and declares all of the following:
(a) Family physicians are primary care specialists, and they receive specialized training and education in primary care, including extensive training in pediatrics, obstetrics, adult medicine, and behavioral health.
(b) Family medicine is the only physician specialty that addresses the entire spectrum of patient needs, providing clinical and supportive services that include acute, chronic and preventive care, behavioral and mental health, oral health, health promotion, and other services for all ages and genders regardless of disease or organ system.
(c) Family physicians throughout the state are finding their hospital privileges constrained, particularly as they relate to prenatal, delivery-related, and postpartum health care.
(d) Some health systems and payers have restricted the full spectrum practice of family medicine, thereby reducing access to care, increasing health system costs, and restricting patient choice.
(e) Family medicine is a broad spectrum primary care specialty, and family physicians uniquely serve patients from birth to death.

SEC. 2. Section 1682 of the Business and Professions Code, as amended by Section 10 of Chapter 929 of the Statutes of 2018, is amended to read:

1682. In addition to other acts constituting unprofessional conduct under this chapter, it is unprofessional conduct for:

(a) Any dentist performing dental procedures to have more than one patient undergoing conscious sedation or general anesthesia on an outpatient basis at any given time unless each patient is being continuously monitored on a one-to-one ratio while sedated by either the dentist or another licensed health professional authorized by law to administer conscious sedation or general anesthesia.

(b) Any dentist with patients recovering from conscious sedation or general anesthesia to fail to have the patients closely monitored by licensed health professionals experienced in the care and resuscitation of patients recovering from conscious sedation or general anesthesia. If one licensed professional is responsible for the recovery care of more than one patient at a time, all of the patients shall be physically in the same room to allow continuous visual contact with all patients and the patient to recovery staff ratio should not exceed three to one.

(c) Any dentist with patients who are undergoing conscious sedation to fail to have these patients continuously monitored during the dental procedure with a pulse oximeter or similar or superior monitoring equipment required by the board.

(d) Any dentist with patients who are undergoing conscious sedation to have dental office personnel directly involved with the care of those patients who are not certified in basic cardiac life support (CPR) and recertified biennially.

(e) (1) Any dentist to fail to obtain the written informed consent of a patient prior to administering general anesthesia or conscious sedation. In the case of a minor, the consent shall be obtained from the child’s parent or guardian.

(2) The written informed consent, in the case of a minor, shall include, but not be limited to, the following information:

“The administration and monitoring of general anesthesia may vary depending on the type of procedure, the type of practitioner, the age and health of the patient, and the setting in which anesthesia is provided. Risks may vary with each specific situation. You are
encouraged to explore all the options available for your child’s anesthesia for their dental treatment, and consult with your dentist, family physician, or pediatrician as needed.”

(3) Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to establish the reasonable standard of care for administering or monitoring oral conscious sedation, conscious sedation, or general anesthesia.

(f) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2022, and as of that date is repealed.

SEC. 3. Section 1682 of the Business and Professions Code, as added by Section 11 of Chapter 929 of the Statutes of 2018, is amended to read:

1682. In addition to other acts constituting unprofessional conduct under this chapter, it is unprofessional conduct for:

(a) Any dentist performing dental procedures to have more than one patient undergoing moderate sedation, deep sedation, or general anesthesia on an outpatient basis at any given time unless each patient is being continuously monitored on a one-to-one ratio while sedated by either the dentist or another licensed health professional authorized by law to administer moderate sedation, deep sedation, or general anesthesia.

(b) Any dentist with patients recovering from moderate sedation, deep sedation, or general anesthesia to fail to have the patients closely monitored by licensed health professionals experienced in the care and resuscitation of patients recovering from moderate sedation, deep sedation, or general anesthesia. If one licensed professional is responsible for the recovery care of more than one patient at a time, all of the patients shall be physically in the same room to allow continuous visual contact with all patients and the patient to recovery staff ratio should not exceed three to one.

(c) Any dentist with patients who are undergoing deep sedation, general anesthesia, or moderate sedation to fail to have these patients continuously monitored during the dental procedure with a pulse oximeter or similar or superior monitoring equipment and ventilation continuously monitored using at least two of the three following methods:

(1) Auscultation of breath sounds using a precordial stethoscope.

(2) Monitoring for the presence of exhaled carbon dioxide with capnography.
(3) Verbal communication with a patient under moderate sedation. This method shall not be used for a patient under deep sedation or general anesthesia.

(d) Any dentist with patients who are undergoing moderate sedation to have dental office personnel directly involved with the care of those patients who are not certified in basic cardiac life support (CPR) and recertified biennially.

(e) (1) Any dentist to fail to obtain the written informed consent of a patient prior to administering moderate sedation, deep sedation, or general anesthesia. In the case of a minor, the consent shall be obtained from the child’s parent or guardian.

(2) The written informed consent for general anesthesia, in the case of a minor, shall include, but not be limited to, the following information:

“The administration and monitoring of deep sedation or general anesthesia may vary depending on the type of procedure, the type of practitioner, the age and health of the patient, and the setting in which anesthesia is provided. Risks may vary with each specific situation. You are encouraged to explore all the options available for your child’s anesthesia for their dental treatment, and consult with your dentist, family physician, or pediatrician as needed.”

(3) Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to establish the reasonable standard of care for administering or monitoring oral moderate sedation, moderate sedation, deep sedation, or general anesthesia.

(f) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2022.

SEC. 4. Section 2746.2 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

2746.2. Each applicant shall show by evidence satisfactory to the board that they have met the educational standards established by the board or have at least the equivalent thereof. The board is authorized to appoint a committee of qualified physicians and nurses, including, but not limited to, obstetricians, family physicians, and nurse-midwives, to develop the necessary standards relating to educational requirements, ratios of nurse-midwives to supervising physicians, and associated matters.

SEC. 5. Section 123885.1 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:

123885.1. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, a family physician is eligible to participate in the program if the family
physician meets the requirements for participation that are
applicable to physicians that are not family physicians.

(b) The department, by July 1, 2020, shall do both of the
following:
(1) Amend its regulations as necessary to implement this section.
(2) Update its internet website consistent with this section.

SEC. 6. Section 151001 of the Health and Safety Code is
amended to read:

151001. For purposes of this division, the following definitions
shall apply:
(a) “Age appropriate” means topics, messages, and teaching
methods suitable to particular ages or age groups of children and
adolescents, based on developing cognitive, emotional, and
behavioral capacity typical for the age or age group.
(b) A “sexual health education program” means a program that
provides instruction or information to prevent adolescent
pregnancy, unintended pregnancy, or sexually transmitted diseases,
including HIV, that is conducted, operated, or administered by any
state agency, is funded directly or indirectly by the state, or receives
any financial assistance from state funds or funds administered by
a state agency, but does not include any program offered by a
school district, a county superintendent of schools, or a community
college district.
(c) “Medically accurate” means verified or supported by research
conducted in compliance with scientific methods and published
in peer review journals, when appropriate, and recognized as
accurate and objective by professional organizations and agencies
with expertise in the relevant field, including, but not limited to,
the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the
American Public Health Association, the Society for Adolescent
Medicine, the American Academy of Family Physicians, the
American Academy of Pediatrics, and the American College of
Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

SEC. 7. Section 1308.8 of the Labor Code is amended to read:
1308.8. (a) No infant under the age of one month may be
employed on any motion picture set or location unless a licensed
physician and surgeon who is board certified in either pediatrics
or family medicine provides written certification that the infant is
at least 15 days old and, in their medical opinion, the infant was
carried to full term, was of normal birth weight, is physically
capable of handling the stress of filmmaking, and the infant’s
lungs, eyes, heart, and immune system are sufficiently developed
to withstand the potential risks.

(b) Any parent, guardian, or employer of a minor, and any
officer or agent of an employer of a minor, who directly or
indirectly violates subdivision (a), or who causes or suffers a
violation of subdivision (a), with respect to that minor, is guilty
of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than two
thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) nor more than five thousand
dollars ($5,000), by imprisonment in the county jail for not more
than 60 days, or by both that fine and imprisonment.

SEC. 8.

SEC. 7. Section 13776 of the Penal Code is amended to read:
13776. The following definitions apply for the purposes of this
title:

(a) “Anti-reproductive-rights crime” means a crime committed
partly or wholly because the victim is a reproductive health services
client, provider, or assistant, or a crime that is partly or wholly
intended to intimidate the victim, any other person or entity, or
any class of persons or entities from becoming or remaining a
reproductive health services client, provider, or assistant.
“Anti-reproductive-rights crime” includes, but is not limited to, a
violation of subdivision (a) or (c) of Section 423.2.

(b) “Subject matter experts” includes, but is not limited to, the
Commission on the Status of Women and Girls, law enforcement
agencies experienced with anti-reproductive-rights crimes,
including the Attorney General and the Department of Justice, and
organizations such as the American Civil Liberties Union, the
American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the
American Academy of Family Physicians, the California Council
of Churches, the California Medical Association, the Feminist
Majority Foundation, NARAL Pro-Choice California, the National
Abortion Federation, the California National Organization for
Women, the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, Planned
Parenthood Affiliates of California, and the Women’s Health
Specialists clinic that represent reproductive health services clients,
providers, and assistants.
(c) “Crime of violence,” “nonviolent,” “reproductive health services;” “reproductive health services client, provider, or assistant;” and “reproductive health services facility” each has the same meaning as set forth in Section 423.1.
An act to amend Sections 1911, 1925, 1926, and 1926.05 of, and to add Sections 1911.5, 1926.01, and 1926.5 to, the Business and Professions Code, relating to healing arts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST


Existing law, the Dental Practice Act, provides for the licensure and regulation of the practice of registered dental hygienists, registered dental hygienists in extended functions, and registered dental hygienists in alternative practice by the Dental Hygiene Board of California within the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law makes certain violations of specific provisions relating to healing arts by a licensee a crime.

Existing law specifies the scope of practice of a registered dental hygienist and requires any procedure performed by a registered dental hygienist that does not specifically require direct supervision of a dentist to be performed under the general supervision of a dentist. Existing law authorizes a registered dental hygienist to provide, without supervision, dental hygiene preventive services in addition to oral screenings in a specified federal, state, or local public health program.
This bill would authorize a registered dental hygienist to provide, without supervision, fluoride varnish to a patient. The bill would additionally authorize a registered dental hygienist to provide dental hygiene preventive services and oral screenings at specified sponsored events and nonprofit organizations.

Existing law authorizes a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice to perform any of the duties or functions authorized to be performed by a registered dental hygienist as an employee of a dentist, as an employee of another registered dental hygienist in alternative practice, as an employee of specified clinics, or as an employee of a professional corporation. Existing law authorizes a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice to perform additional duties and functions in residences of the homebound, schools, residential facilities and other institutions, and dental health professional shortage areas, as provided, and requires the duties and functions performed in these settings to be under the general supervision of a dentist when specified.

This bill would authorize a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice to practice in specified clinics or in a professional corporation without being an employee of that clinic or professional corporation. The bill would additionally authorize a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice to perform specified functions and duties of a registered dental hygienist in dental or medical settings. The bill would authorize a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice to perform soft-tissue curettage, administration of local anesthesia, and administration of nitrous oxide and oxygen with emergency protocols and under the direct supervision of a dentist in residences of the homebound, residential facilities and other institutions, dental health professional shortage areas, and dental or medical settings. The bill would remove the general supervision requirement and instead require prior authorization by a collaborating dentist for specified duties in those settings. The bill would also authorize a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice to continue to practice in a former dental health professional shortage area if the registered dental hygienist in alternative practice established the practice prior to the designation being removed.

certain conditions are met.

Because a violation of certain provisions of the bill would be a crime, the bill would create a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.
This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1911 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

1911. (a) A registered dental hygienist may provide, without supervision, educational services, oral health training programs, and oral health screenings.

(b) A registered dental hygienist shall refer any screened patients with possible oral abnormalities to a dentist for a comprehensive examination, diagnosis, and treatment plan.

(c) In any public health program created by federal, state, or local law or administered by a federal, state, county, or local governmental entity, at a sponsored event by a sponsoring entity, or at a nonprofit organization, a registered dental hygienist may provide, without supervision, dental hygiene preventive services in addition to oral screenings, including, but not limited to, the application of fluorides and pit and fissure sealants. A registered dental hygienist employed as described in this subdivision may submit, or allow to be submitted, any insurance or third-party claims for patient services performed as authorized in this article.

(d) For purposes of this section, the following shall apply:

(1) “Nonprofit organization” means a tax-exempt nonprofit corporation supported and maintained in whole or in substantial part by donations, bequests, gifts, grants, government funds, or contributions, in the form of money, goods, or services, where dental hygiene services are performed. A nonprofit organization shall not be construed to be engaging in the unlicensed practice of dentistry if all of the following apply:

(A) The nonprofit organization obtains the dental hygiene board’s approval to offer dental hygiene services pursuant to regulations adopted by the dental hygiene board.

(B) The nonprofit organization does nothing to interfere with, control, or otherwise direct the professional judgment of, or the services performed by, a registered dental hygienist acting within their scope of practice pursuant to this chapter.
(C) The licensees providing services for or at the nonprofit organization are in compliance with all applicable provisions of this chapter.

(D) The nonprofit organization operating is in compliance with this chapter and all other applicable provisions of state and federal law.

(2) “Sponsored event” shall be defined as in paragraph (4) of subdivision (b) of Section 1626.6.

(3) “Sponsoring entity” shall be defined as in paragraph (6) of subdivision (b) of Section 1626.6.

SEC. 2. Section 1911.5 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

1911.5. Notwithstanding Section 1912, a registered dental hygienist may provide, without supervision, fluoride varnish to a patient.

SEC. 3. Section 1925 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

1925. A registered dental hygienist in alternative practice may practice, pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 1907, subdivision (a) of Section 1908, subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 1910, Section 1910.5, and Section 1926.05 as an employee of a dentist or of another registered dental hygienist in alternative practice, as an independent contractor, as a sole proprietor of an alternative dental hygiene practice, in a primary care clinic or specialty clinic that is licensed pursuant to Section 1204 of the Health and Safety Code, in a primary care clinic exempt from licensure pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 1206 of the Health and Safety Code, in a clinic owned or operated by a public hospital or health system, in a clinic owned and operated by a hospital that maintains the primary contract with a county government to fill the county’s role under Section 17000 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, or in a professional corporation under the Moscone-Knox Professional Corporation Act (commencing with Section 13400) of Part 4 of Division 3 of Title 1 of the Corporations Code.

SEC. 4. Section 1926 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

1926. In addition to practices authorized in Section 1925, a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice may perform the duties authorized pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 1907,
subdivision (a) of Section 1908, and subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 1910 in the following settings:

(a) Residences of the homebound.
(b) Schools.
(c) Residential facilities and other institutions.
(d) Dental health professional shortage areas, as certified by the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development in accordance with existing office guidelines.

SEC. 5. Section 1926.01 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

1926.01. In addition to practices authorized in Section 1925, a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice may perform the duties authorized pursuant to subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 1909 with emergency protocols in the following settings:

(a) Residences of the homebound.
(b) Residential facilities and other institutions.
(c) Dental health professional shortage areas, as certified by the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development in accordance with existing office guidelines.
(d) Dental or medical settings.

SEC. 6. Section 1926.05 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

1926.05. (a) In addition to the duties specified in Section 1926, a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice is authorized to perform the duties pursuant to Section 1910.5, in the following settings:

(1) Residences of the homebound.
(2) Schools.
(3) Residential facilities and other institutions.
(4) Dental or medical settings.
(5) Dental health professional shortage areas, as certified by the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development in accordance with existing office guidelines.

(b) A registered dental hygienist in alternative practice is authorized to perform the duties pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 1910.5 in the settings specified in this section with prior authorization of a collaborating dentist.

SEC. 7. Section 1926.5 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:
1926.5. A registered dental hygienist in alternative practice may continue to practice in a former dental health professional shortage area after the designation is removed if the registered dental hygienist in alternative practice established the practice prior to removal of the designation area, if both of the following conditions are met:

(a) The registered dental hygienist in alternative practice established their practice in a certified dental health professional shortage area.

(b) The registered dental hygienist in alternative practice continues to practice within the dental health professional shortage area after the date the dental health professional shortage area designation was lifted, if a minimum of 15 percent of the annual visits at their practice are for persons with Medi-Cal benefits.

SEC. 8. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIIIB of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.
ASSEMBLY BILL No. 316

Introduced by Assembly Members Ramos and Robert Rivas
(Coauthor: Assembly Member Frazier)

January 30, 2019

An act to add Section 14132.235 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to health care: Medi-Cal.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST


Existing law establishes the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, under which qualified low-income individuals receive health care services. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid program provisions. Existing law provides for a schedule of benefits under the Medi-Cal program, including certain dental services, and dental managed care plans.

This bill would require the department to implement a special needs treatment and management benefit, which would be provided for 4 visits in a 12-month period for a Medi-Cal dental program beneficiary with special dental care needs, as defined. The bill would require a Medi-Cal dental program provider to document specified information, including the need for additional time to treat a Medi-Cal dental program beneficiary with special dental care needs, for purposes of reimbursement. The bill would not limit the provision or
The scope of Medi-Cal benefits covered under existing law. The bill would require the department to seek any necessary approvals from the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to implement the bill. The bill would authorize the department to implement these provisions, by means of all-county letters, plan letters, various means, including plan or provider bulletins, or similar instructions, without taking regulatory action, and would require the department, by July 1, 2022, to subsequently adopt regulations, as specified, by July 1, 2022. The bill would require the department, commencing January 1, 2020, to provide the Legislature with semiannual status reports to the Legislature until regulations have been adopted.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. (a) The Medi-Cal dental care program was established soon after the 1966 creation of the Medi-Cal program. The Medi-Cal dental program delivers dental services through a fee-for-service model. Dental services are also provided to beneficiaries enrolled in Medi-Cal dental managed care plans.

(b) According to an audit conducted by the California State Auditor in 2014, only 43.9 percent of children enrolled in the Medi-Cal dental program had seen a dentist in the previous year—a utilization rate that was the 12th-worst among states that submitted data to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Eleven California counties either did not have any Medi-Cal dental program providers or did not have any providers willing to accept any new patients if the children received coverage through the Medi-Cal dental program. Additionally, the Little Hoover Commission found that only 26 percent of eligible California adults with Medi-Cal dental coverage saw a dentist in 2014, according to February 2016 State Department of Health Care Services data.

(c) It is widely recognized that people with significant and chronic medical, physical, mental, behavioral, or developmental conditions or disabilities have greater challenges obtaining dental services and maintaining good oral health than other individuals. Providing care for these individuals very often requires treating providers to spend additional time and furnish other resources to deliver dental services. The Medi-Cal dental program’s current
reimbursement structure is based on a healthier population, does not acknowledge the additional costs of providing care for persons with special dental care needs, and inhibits providers’ ability to receive proper compensation for their care. With regard to medical health care, as seen in Medicaid, Medicare, and other payer systems, enhanced reimbursement can be used to compensate providers that treat special dental care needs patients for the extra time and resources needed to complete these patients’ care. There is currently no permanent benefit in the Medi-Cal dental program for providers that treat patients with special dental care needs.

(d) For purposes of improving access to dental care for Medi-Cal dental program beneficiaries with special dental care needs, it is the intent of the Legislature to codify a special needs treatment and management benefit for the Medi-Cal dental program.

SEC. 2. Section 14132.235 is added to the Welfare and Institutions Code, immediately following Section 14132.23, to read:

14132.235. (a) For purposes of improving access to dental care for Medi-Cal dental program beneficiaries with special dental care needs, as defined in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b), the department shall implement a special needs treatment and management benefit subject to utilization controls.

(b) As used in this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) “Medi-Cal dental program beneficiary with special dental care needs” means a Medi-Cal dental program beneficiary who requires additional time for a provider to perform dental services due to the presence of a medical, physical, behavioral, developmental, or emotional or developmental condition that prohibits the beneficiary from adequately responding to a provider’s attempts to perform dental services.

(2) “Dental services” means dental benefits included in the Medi-Cal dental program schedule of benefits.

(c) A Medi-Cal dental program provider shall document in the patient’s medical record the necessity for any additional time to be expended to treat a Medi-Cal dental program beneficiary with special dental care needs.

(d) The request for reimbursement of the special needs treatment and management benefit shall be by a posttreatment report with written documentation for reimbursement to
documentation, and shall include documentation of findings that support the existence of special dental care needs. That documentation shall include the patient’s medical diagnosis of a condition, a description of additional steps undertaken by the provider in their attempt to successfully treat the patient, and the reason for the need of additional time for a dental visit.

(e) The special needs treatment and management benefit is provided for four visits in a 12-month period for a Medi-Cal dental program beneficiary with special dental care needs.

(f) This section does not limit the provision of, or scope of, Medi-Cal benefits.

(g) This section does not preclude the department from establishing multiple billing codes with different criteria to implement the special needs treatment and management benefit.

(h) The department shall seek any necessary approvals from the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to implement this section. The department shall implement this section only in a manner that is consistent with federal Medicaid law and regulations, and only to the extent that the necessary approvals are obtained and federal financial participation is not jeopardized.

(i) Notwithstanding Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, the department may implement, interpret, or make specific this section, and any applicable federal waivers and state plan amendments, by means of all-county letters, plan letters, plan or provider bulletins, or similar instructions, without taking regulatory action. By July 1, 2022, the department shall adopt regulations in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code. Commencing January 1, 2020, the department shall provide a status report to the Legislature on a semiannual basis, in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code, until regulations have been adopted.
Assembly Bill No. 476

Introduced by Assembly Member Blanca Rubio

February 12, 2019

An act to add Section 110.5 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to professions and vocations.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest

AB 476, as introduced, Blanca Rubio. Department of Consumer Affairs: task force: foreign-trained professionals.

Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of various professions and vocations by boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law establishes the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, which requires state boards, commissions, and similar state-created multimember bodies to give public notice of meetings and conduct their meetings in public unless authorized to meet in closed session.

This bill, the California Opportunity Act of 2019, would require the Department of Consumer Affairs to create a task force, as specified, to study and write a report of its findings and recommendations regarding the licensing of foreign-trained professionals with the goal of integrating foreign-trained professionals into the state’s workforce, as specified. The bill would authorize the task force to hold hearings and invite testimony from experts and the public to gather information. The bill would require the task force to submit the report to the Legislature no later than January 1, 2021, as specified.

The bill also would require the task force to meet at least once each calendar quarter, as specified, and to hold its meetings in accordance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act. The bill would require each member of the task force to receive per diem and reimbursement for
expenses incurred, as specified, and would require the task force to solicit input from a variety of government agencies, stakeholders, and the public, including, among others, the Little Hoover Commission and the California Workforce Development Board.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. This act shall be known as the California Opportunity Act of 2019.
SEC. 2. Section 110.5 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

110.5. (a) The Department of Consumer Affairs shall create a task force to study, and write the report described in subdivision (c) regarding, the licensing of foreign-trained professionals with the goal of integrating foreign-trained professionals into the state’s workforce.

(b) The task force shall consist of the following 15 members:

(1) The Director of Consumer Affairs, or the director’s designee, who shall serve as the chair of the task force.

(2) One member appointed by the Governor.

(3) One member appointed by the President pro Tempore of the Senate.

(4) One member appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.

(5) One member of the Regents of the University of California.

(6) One member of the Trustees of the California State University.

(7) One member of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges.

(8) Four members appointed by the Governor who are representatives of the private sector from diverse regions in the state.

(9) Four members appointed by the Governor who are representatives of nonprofit organizations that serve the immigrant community from diverse regions in the state.

(c) (1) The task force shall write a report of its findings and recommendations regarding the licensing of foreign-trained professionals, that include, but are not limited to, the following:

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(A) Strategies to integrate foreign-trained professionals and methods of implementing those strategies, including those recommended by the Little Hoover Commission in its October 2016 report entitled Jobs for Californians: Strategies to Ease Occupational Licensing Barriers (Report #234).

(B) Identification of state and national licensing regulations that potentially pose unnecessary barriers to practice for foreign-trained professionals, corresponding changes to state licensing requirements, and opportunities to advocate for corresponding changes to national licensing requirements.

(C) Identification of best practices learned from similar efforts to integrate foreign-trained professionals into the workforce in other states.

(2) The task force may include in the report guidelines for full licensure and conditional licensing of foreign-trained professionals.

(3) The task force may hold hearings and invite testimony from experts and the public to gather information.

(d) The task force shall submit the report described in subdivision (c) to the Legislature no later than January 1, 2021, and in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.

(e) The following shall also apply:

(1) The task force shall meet at least once each calendar quarter. The task force shall meet at least once in northern California, once in central California, and once in southern California to facilitate participation by the public.

(2) A majority of the appointed task force shall constitute a quorum. Task force meetings shall be held in accordance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code).

(3) (A) Each member shall receive a per diem of one hundred dollars ($100) for each day actually spent in the discharge of official duties, and shall be reimbursed for traveling and other expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of official duties.

(B) Notwithstanding any other law, a public officer or employee shall not receive per diem salary compensation for serving on the task force on any day when the officer or employee also received compensation for their regular public employment.
The task force shall solicit input from a variety of government agencies, stakeholders, and the public, including, but not limited to, the following:

(A) The Little Hoover Commission.
(B) The California Workforce Development Board.
(C) The Department of Industrial Relations.
(D) In- and out-of-state licensing entities.
(E) Professional associations.
(F) Labor and workforce organizations.
An act to add Section 1374.193 to the Health and Safety Code, and to add Section 10120.4 to the Insurance Code, relating to dental services.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 954, as amended, Wood. Dental services: third-party network access.

Existing law, the Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act of 1975, provides for the licensure and regulation of health care service plans by the Department of Managed Health Care, and makes a willful violation of the act a crime. Existing law provides for the regulation of health insurers by the Department of Insurance. Existing law authorizes a health care service plan or health insurer to contract with a provider for alternative rates of payment, and requires a plan or insurer to continuously review the quality of care and performance of providers contracting for alternative rates of payment. Existing law requires a health care service plan or health insurer to publish and maintain a directory of contracting providers.

This bill would generally prohibit a health care service plan or health insurer that issues, sells, renews, or offers a contract or policy covering dental services, including a specialized health care service plan contract or specialized policy of health insurance, or a contracting entity, as defined, from granting third party access to a provider network contract entered into, amended, or renewed on or after January 1, 2020, or access to services or discounts provided pursuant
to that provider network contract. The bill would permit third-party access if certain criteria are met, including if a health care services plan’s or health insurer’s provider network contract clearly identifies the third-party access provision and the provider network contract allows a provider to opt out of third-party access. The bill would specify that a provider is not bound by or required to perform dental treatment or services under a provider network contract granted to a third party in violation of these provisions. Because a willful violation of the bill’s requirements relative to health care service plans would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1374.193 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:

1374.193. (a) A health care service plan that issues, sells, renews, or offers a plan contract covering dental services, including a specialized health care service plan contract covering dental services, or a contracting entity shall not grant third party access to a provider network contract, or a provider’s dental services or contractual discounts provided pursuant to a provider network contract if the requirements of subdivisions (b) and (c) are met.

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), a health care service plan that issues, sells, renews, or offers a plan contract covering dental services may grant a third party access to a provider network contract if, at the time the provider network contract is entered into, amended, or renewed, or a notice is sent to a health care provider, as required under Section 1375.7, the provider network contract allows a provider to choose not to participate in third-party access to the provider network contract. The third-party access provision of the provider network contract shall be clearly identified. A plan shall not grant third-party access to the provider network contract.
network contract of a provider that does not participate in
third-party access to the provider network contract.

(c) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), a contracting entity may
grant a third party access to a provider network contract, or a
provider’s dental services or contractual discounts provided
pursuant to a provider network contract, if all of the following are
met:

(1) The provider network contract specifically states that the
contracting entity may enter into an agreement with a third party
that would allow the third party to obtain the contracting entity’s
rights and responsibilities as if the third party were the contracting
entity, and when the contracting entity is a health care service
plan, the provider chose to participate in third-party access at the
time the provider network contract was entered into, amended, or
renewed.

(2) When the contracting entity is a health care service plan,
the third-party access provision of the provider network contract
shall clearly identify in the plan contract or notice to the provider,
as required pursuant to Section 1375.7, the following language
conspicuously placed on the first page of the document in 12-point
underlined print:

This contract grants third party access to the provider network.
The provider network contracting entity has entered into an
agreement with other dental plans or third parties that allows the
third party to obtain the contracting entity’s rights and
responsibilities as if the third party were the contracting entity.
The list of all third parties with access to this provider network
can be found at (insert internet website as identified in paragraph
(4)). You have the right to choose not to participate in third-party
access. To exercise your right to not participate in the third-party
access, submit your written or verbal request to the health care
service plan.

(3) The contracting entity identifies, identifies prior to signing
the contract, in writing or electronic form to the provider, all third
parties in existence as of the date the provider network contract is
entered into, amended, or renewed.
(4) The contracting entity identifies all third parties in existence in a list on its internet website that is updated at least once every 90 days.

(5) The contracting entity requires a third party to identify the source of the discount on all remittance advices or explanations of payment under which a discount is taken.

(6) The contracting entity notifies a third party of the termination of a provider network contract no later than 30 days from the termination date, following the effective date of termination.

(7) A third party’s right to a provider’s discounted rate ceases as of the termination date of the provider network contract.

(8) The contracting entity delivers a copy of the provider network contract relied on in the adjudication of a claim to a participating provider within 30 days of a request from the provider.

d) A provider is not bound by or required to perform dental treatment or services under a provider network contract granted to a third party in violation of this section.

e) This section does not apply if any of the following criteria are met:

1) The provider network contract is for dental services provided to a beneficiary of the federal Medicare Program pursuant to Title XVIII of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1395 et seq.) or the federal Medicaid program pursuant to Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1396 et seq.).

2) Access to a provider network contract is granted to a health care service plan that issues, sells, renews, or offers a plan contract covering dental services, including a specialized health care service plan contract covering dental services, or a contracting entity operating under the same brand licensee program as the contracting entity.

3) Access to a provider network contract is granted to an affiliate of a contracting entity. A list of the contracting entity’s affiliates shall be made available to a provider in writing or electronic form before access is granted to a third party pursuant to subdivision (b).
(f) The director shall adopt regulations as are necessary to implement and enforce this section in accordance with the rulemaking provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code).

(g) As used in this section:

(1) “Contracting entity” means a person or entity that enters into direct contracts with providers for the delivery of dental services in the ordinary course of business, including a third-party administrator.

(2) “Dental services” means services for the diagnosis, prevention, treatment, or cure of a dental condition, illness, injury, or disease. “Dental services” does not include services delivered by a provider that are billed as medical expenses under a health care service plan contract or specialized health care service plan contract.

(3) “Provider” means an individual or entity that provides dental services or supplies, as defined by the health care service plan contract or specialized health care service plan contract, including a dentist or physician, but not a physician organization that leases or rents its network to a third party.

(4) “Provider network contract” means a contract between a contracting entity and a provider entered into, amended, or renewed on or after January 1, 2020, that specifies the rights and responsibilities of the contracting entity and provides for the delivery and payment of dental services to an enrollee.

(5) “Third party” means a person or entity that enters into a contract with a contracting entity or with another third party to gain access to the dental services or contractual discounts of a provider network contract. “Third party” does not include an employer or other group for whom the health care service plan, specialized health care service plan, or contracting entity provides administrative services, including the payment of claims.

SEC. 2. Section 10120.4 is added to the Insurance Code, to read:

10120.4. (a) A health insurer that issues, sells, renews, or offers a policy covering dental services, including a specialized policy of health insurance covering dental services, or a contracting entity shall not may grant a third party access to a provider network contract, or a provider’s dental services or contractual discounts
provided pursuant to a provider network contract if the requirements of subdivisions (b) and (c) are met.

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), a health insurer that issues, sells, renews, or offers a policy covering dental services may grant a third party access to a provider network contract if, at the time the contract is entered into, amended, or renewed, or a notice is sent to a health care provider, as required pursuant to Section 10133.65, the contract allows a provider to choose not to participate in third-party access to the contract. The third-party access provision of the contract shall be clearly identified. An insurer shall not grant third-party access to the contract of a provider that does not participate in third-party access to the contract.

(c) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), a contracting entity may grant a third party access to a provider network contract, or a provider’s dental services or contractual discounts provided pursuant to a provider network contract, if all of the following are met:

1. The provider network contract specifically states that the contracting entity may enter into an agreement with a third party that would allow the third party to obtain the contracting entity’s rights and responsibilities as if the third party were the contracting entity, and when the contracting entity is a health insurer, the provider chose to participate in third-party access at the time the contract was entered into, amended, or renewed.

2. When the contracting entity is a health insurer, the third-party access provision of the provider network contract shall clearly identify in the plan contract or notice to the provider, as required pursuant to Section 10133.65, the following language conspicuously placed on the first page of the document in 12-point underlined print:

   This contract grants third party access to the provider network. The provider network contracting entity has entered into an agreement with other dental plans or third parties that allows the third party to obtain the contracting entity’s rights and responsibilities as if the third party were the contracting entity. The list of all third parties with access to this provider network can be found at (insert internet website as identified in paragraph (4)). You have the right to choose not to participate in third-party access.
access. To exercise your right to not participate in the third-party access, submit your written or verbal request to the health insurer.

(2) The contracting entity identifies, identifies prior to signing the contract, in writing or electronic format to the provider, all third parties in existence as of the date the contract is entered into, amended, or renewed.

(3) The contracting entity identifies all third parties in existence in a list on its internet website that is updated at least once every 90 days.

(4) The contracting entity requires a third party to identify the source of the discount on all remittance advices or explanations of payment under which a discount is taken.

(5) The contracting entity notifies a third party of the termination of a provider network contract no later than 30 days from the termination date. Following the effective date of termination.

(6) The contracting entity delivers makes available a copy of the provider network contract relied on in the adjudication of a claim to a participating provider within 30 days of a request from the provider.

(d) A provider is not bound by or required to perform dental treatment or services under a provider network contract granted to a third party in violation of this section.

(e) This section does not apply if any of the following criteria are met:

(1) The provider network contract is for dental services provided to a beneficiary of the federal Medicare Program pursuant to Title XVIII of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1395 et seq.) or the federal Medicaid program pursuant to Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1396 et seq.).

(2) Access to a provider network contract is granted to a health insurer that issues, sells, renews, or offers a policy covering dental
services or a contracting entity operating under the same brand
licensee program as the contracting entity.
(3) Access to a provider network contract is granted to an
affiliate of a contracting entity. A list of the contracting entity’s
affiliates shall be made available to a provider in writing or
electronic form before access is granted to a third party pursuant
to subdivision (b).
(f) The commissioner shall adopt regulations as are necessary
to implement and enforce this section in accordance with the
rulemaking provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act
(Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of
Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code).
(g) As used in this section:
(1) “Contracting entity” means a person or entity that enters
into direct contracts with providers for the delivery of dental
services in the ordinary course of business, including a third-party
administrator.
(2) “Dental services” means services for the diagnosis,
prevention, treatment, or cure of a dental condition, illness, injury,
or disease. “Dental services” does not include services delivered
by a provider that are billed as medical expenses under a policy
of health insurance.
(3) “Provider” means an individual or entity that provides dental
services or supplies, as defined by the policy of health insurance,
including a dentist or physician, but not a physician organization
that leases or rents its network to a third party.
(4) “Provider network contract” means a contract between a
contracting entity and a provider entered into, amended, or renewed
on or after January 1, 2020, that specifies the rights and
responsibilities of the contracting entity and provides for the
delivery and payment of dental services to an insured.
(5) “Third party” means a person or entity that enters into a
contract with a contracting entity or with another third party to
gain access to the dental services or contractual discounts of a
provider network contract. “Third party” does not include an
employer or other group for whom the health insurer or contracting
entity provides administrative services, including the payment of
claims.
SEC. 3. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to
Section 6 of Article XIIIIB of the California Constitution because
the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school
district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or
infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty
for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of
the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within
the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California
Constitution.
CACHED LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 994, as amended, Mathis. Health care practitioner identification.

Existing law exempts every soldier, sailor, or marine of the United States who has received an honorable discharge or a release from active duty under honorable conditions from the payment of any license tax or fee imposed by any county or the state for hawking, peddling, or vending any goods, wares, or merchandise owned by that soldier, sailor, or marine, except as specified, and requires the county board of supervisors to issue, without cost, to the soldier, sailor, or marine, a license therefor.

This bill would revise that provision to exempt any veteran who has served in any branch of the United States Armed Forces and has been honorably discharged from active service and who owns a business by at least 51 percent from the payment of any license tax or fee imposed by any county or the state, and would require the county board of supervisors to issue a license to the veteran without cost.

Existing law establishes various healing arts boards, within the Department of Consumer Affairs, that license and regulate various healing arts licensees. Existing law requires a health care practitioner, as defined, to wear a name tag while working that discloses the
practitioner’s name and license status in at least 18-point type, except as specified. Existing law authorizes an employing entity or agency to make an exception from the name tag requirement, for individual safety or therapeutic concerns, for a health care practitioner or a licensed clinical social worker working in a psychiatric setting or in a setting that is not licensed by the state.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to those name tag provisions.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 16102 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

16102. Every soldier, sailor, or marine of the United States who has received an honorable discharge or a release from active duty under honorable conditions from such service may hawk, peddle and vend any goods, wares, or merchandise owned by him, except spirituous, malt, vinous, or other intoxicating liquor. Any veteran who served in any branch of the United States Armed Forces and has been honorably discharged from active service and who owns a business by at least 51 percent may operate that business without payment of any license, license tax or fee whatsoever, whether municipal, county, or State, and the board of supervisors shall issue to such soldier, sailor, or marine, the veteran, without cost, a license therefor.

SECTION 1. Section 680 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

680. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a health care practitioner, while working, shall disclose the practitioner’s name and license status, as granted by this state, on a name tag in at least 18-point type. A health care practitioner in a practice or an office, whose license is prominently displayed, may opt to not wear a name tag. If a health care practitioner or a licensed clinical social worker is working in a psychiatric setting or in a setting that is not licensed by the state, the employing entity or agency may make an exception from the name tag requirement for individual safety or therapeutic concerns. In the interest of public safety and consumer awareness, it shall be unlawful for any person to use the
title “nurse” in reference to himself or herself and in any capacity,
except for an individual who is a registered nurse or a licensed
vocational nurse, or as otherwise provided in Section 2800. Nothing
in this section shall prohibit a certified nurse assistant from using
the assistant’s title.

(b) Facilities licensed by the State Department of Social
Services, the State Department of Public Health, or the State
Department of Health Care Services shall develop and implement
policies to ensure that health care practitioners providing care in
those facilities are in compliance with subdivision (a). The State
Department of Social Services, the State Department of Public
Health, and the State Department of Health Care Services shall
verify through periodic inspections that the policies required
pursuant to subdivision (a) have been developed and implemented
by the respective licensed facilities.

(c) For purposes of this article, “health care practitioner” means
any person who engages in acts that are the subject of licensure
or regulation under this division or under any initiative act referred
to in this division.
An act to add Section 14132.225 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to Medi-Cal.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SB 154, as introduced, Pan. Medi-Cal: restorative dental services. Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, under which qualified low-income individuals receive healthcare services. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid program provisions. Existing law includes emergency and essential diagnostic and restorative dental services, and dental prophylaxis cleanings and dental examinations within the scope of benefits that may be provided to eligible recipients under the Medi-Cal program. Existing law authorizes specified Medi-Cal providers to recommend, after consultation with the beneficiary, and to receive reimbursement for, certain dental restorative materials other than the covered benefit of amalgam.

This bill would authorize a provider of services for the treatment of dental caries to provide, and receive reimbursement for, the application of silver diamine fluoride when used as a caries arresting agent, as specified, if the provider first consults with the beneficiary and obtains written informed consent, and if the treatment is included as part of a comprehensive treatment plan, to the extent that federal financial participation is available and any necessary federal approvals have been obtained. The bill would permit a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice who meets the requirements of the bill to bill for the services described in the bill. The bill would limit availability of
the described services to specified Medi-Cal beneficiary populations. The bill would authorize the department to implement its provisions by means of all-county letters, provider bulletins, or similar instructions, without taking further regulatory action.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 14132.225 is added to the Welfare and Institutions Code, immediately following Section 14132.22, to read:

14132.225. (a) A provider of services for the treatment of dental caries may provide, and receive reimbursement for, the application of silver diamine fluoride, on a per-tooth basis, when used to arrest an active, nonsymptomatic carious lesion, and without mechanical removal of sound tooth structure, if all of the following conditions are met:

1. There is a consultation with the beneficiary, or their designee.
2. The beneficiary, or their designee, signs a written informed consent form that is approved by the department.
3. The treatment is part of a comprehensive treatment plan.

(b) This section does not preclude the use of silver diamine fluoride for preventive services, when appropriate.

(c) A registered dental hygienist in alternative practice may bill for this benefit when all the requirements of paragraphs (1) to (3), inclusive, of subdivision (a) are met.

(d) This benefit shall be limited to the following Medi-Cal populations:

1. Children six years of age and under.
2. Persons with disabilities or other underlying conditions such that nonrestorative caries treatment may be optimal.
3. Adults who live in a licensed skilled nursing facility or licensed intermediate care facility.

(e) This section shall be implemented only to the extent that both of the following occur:

1. The department obtains any federal approvals necessary to implement this section.
2. The department obtains federal matching funds to the extent permitted by federal law.
(f) Notwithstanding Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, the department may implement this section by means of all-county letters, provider bulletins, or similar instructions, without taking further regulatory action.
MEMORANDUM

DATE       April 29, 2019

TO         Members of the Dental Board of California

FROM       Sarah Wallace, Assistant Executive Officer
            Dental Board of California

SUBJECT    Agenda Item 19(c): Discussion of Prospective Legislative Proposals

Stakeholders are encouraged to submit proposals in writing to the Board before or during the meeting for possible consideration by the Board at a future meeting.

Action Requested: No action necessary.
DATE    | May 16, 2019
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TO  | Members of the Dental Board of California
FROM  | Wilbert Rumbaoa, Administrative Services Manager
   | Dental Board of California
SUBJECT | Agenda Item 20(a): Update on Pending Regulatory Packages

i. Basic Life Support Equivalency Standards (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Sections 1016 and 1016.2):
At the November 2017 Board meeting, proposed language for sections 1016 and 1017 was unanimously approved to allow the American Safety and Health Institute (ASHI) to also offer a Basic Life Support course that would meet the continuing education requirements. This is in addition to the American Heart Association, the American Red Cross, the Continuing Education Recognition Program (CERP) and the Program Approval for Continuing Education (PACE). Additionally, this proposed regulation will specify what specific requirements must be met to receive full credit for BLS certification.

Board staff has drafted the initial rulemaking documents and is working with Board Legal Counsel to review. Once Board Legal Counsel approves, Board staff will submit the initial rulemaking documents to the Department of Consumer Affairs to review as required prior to submitting the documents to the Office of Administrative Law for noticing.

ii. Citation and Fine (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Sections 1023.2 and 1023.7):
During the August 2017 meeting, the Board approved proposed regulatory language relative to the citation and fine requirements found in the Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Section 1023.2 and 1023.7 to remain consistent with Business and Professions Code Section 125.9.

Board staff has drafted the initial rulemaking documents and Board Legal Counsel has approved. Board staff submitted the initial rulemaking documents to the Department of Consumer Affairs on January 22, 2019 to review as required prior to submitting the documents to the Office of Administrative Law for noticing.
iii. Continuing Education Requirements (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Sections 1016 and 1017):
SB 1109 (Bates, Chapter 693, Statutes of 2018) adds a provision allowing the Board to mandate the risks of addiction associated with the use of Schedule II drugs into the CE requirements for any dental professional seeking initial or renewal licensure.

During the February 2019 meeting, the Board approved proposed regulatory language relative to the continuing education requirements found in Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Section 1016 and 1017.

Board staff has drafted the initial rulemaking documents and Board Legal Counsel has approved. Board staff will submit the initial rulemaking documents to the Department of Consumer Affairs to review as required prior to submitting the documents to the Office of Administrative Law for noticing.

iv. Dental Assisting Comprehensive Rulemaking (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Division Chapter 3):
The Dental Assisting Council has held several stakeholder workshops to develop its comprehensive rulemaking proposal relative to dental assisting. As a result of each of these workshops, Board staff have been able to develop proposed regulatory language which will be presented to the Board at a future meeting once these workshops are concluded. Once completed, this rulemaking will include educational program and course requirements, examination requirements, and licensure requirements relating to dental assisting. The final workshop took place on March 2, 2018.

Board staff will present the proposed language to a special meeting of the Dental Assisting Council in late June or July. Once the Council approves, the language will be brought to the Board for consideration.

v. Determination of Radiographs and Placement of Interim Therapeutic Restoration (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Section 1071.1):
AB 1174 (Bocanegra, Chapter 662, Statutes of 2014) added specified duties to registered dental assistants in extended functions. The bill requires the Board to adopt regulations to establish requirements for courses of instruction for procedures authorized to be performed by a registered dental assistant in extended functions. Additionally, the bill requires the Board to propose regulatory language for the Interim Therapeutic Restoration (ITR) for registered dental hygienists and registered dental hygienists in alternative practice. The proposed ITR regulatory language must mirror the curriculum requirements for the registered dental assistant in extended functions.

During the December 2016 Board meeting, staff presented the proposed regulatory language to the Board for comments to further develop the language. At its August 2017 meeting, the Board approved proposed regulatory language and directed staff to initiate the rulemaking.

Board staff has drafted the initial rulemaking documents and is working with Board Legal Counsel to review. Once Board Legal Counsel approves, Board staff will submit the initial rulemaking documents to the Department of Consumer Affairs to review as required prior to submitting the documents to the Office of Administrative Law for noticing.
vi. Diversion Committee Membership (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Sections 1020.4):
Pursuant to the Board’s regulations, membership for the DECs is limited to specific license types and two four-year terms. It is becoming increasingly difficult to recruit qualified individuals to serve on the Board’s DECs. Therefore, Board staff proposes amendments to increase the potential to recruit and retain qualified DEC members.

During the February 2019 meeting, the Board approved proposed regulatory language relative to the diversion evaluation committee membership found in Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Section 1020.4.

Board staff has drafted the initial rulemaking documents and Board Legal Counsel has approved. Board staff will submit the initial rulemaking documents to the Department of Consumer Affairs to review as required prior to submitting the documents to the Office of Administrative Law for noticing.

vii. Elective Facial Cosmetic Surgery Permit Application Requirements and Renewal Requirements (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Sections 1044.6, 1044.7, and 1044.8):
Senate Bill 438 (Migden, Chapter 909, Statutes of 2006) was signed by the Governor that enacted Business Professions Code (Code) Section 1638.1, to take effect on January 1, 2007. This statute authorizes the Dental Board of California (Board) to issue Elective Facial Cosmetic Surgery (EFCS) permits to qualified licensed dentists and establishes the EFCS Credentialing Committee (Committee) to review the qualifications of each applicant for a permit. At its December 2016 meeting, the Board approved proposed regulatory language relative to the elective facial cosmetic surgery permit application requirements and renewal and directed staff to initiate the rulemaking.

Board staff has drafted the initial rulemaking documents and is working with Board Legal Counsel to review. Once Board Legal Counsel approves, Board staff will submit the initial rulemaking documents to the Department of Consumer Affairs to review as required prior to submitting the documents to the Office of Administrative Law for noticing.

viii. Law and Ethics Exam Score (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Sections 1031):
Pursuant to Business & Professions Code Section 1632, applicants for dental licensure in California are required to successfully complete an examination in California law and ethics developed and administered by the Dental Board of California (Board). Pursuant to the Board’s regulations (California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Section 1031) the current passing score for the Board’s Dentistry California Law and Ethics Examination is set at 75%. Board staff recommends deleting the passing score requirement in regulations to allow for OPES to use a criterion-referenced passing score to make the Board’s California Dentistry Law and Ethics examination legally defensible.

During the February 2019 meeting, the Board approved proposed regulatory language relative to relating to the passing score for the Dentistry Law and Ethics Examination found in Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Section 1031.
Board staff has drafted the initial rulemaking documents and Board Legal Counsel has approved. Board staff will submit the initial rulemaking documents to the Department of Consumer Affairs to review as required prior to submitting the documents to the Office of Administrative Law for noticing.

**ix. Mobile Dental Clinic and Portable Dental Unit Registration Requirements (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Section 1049):**

Senate Bill 562 (Galgiani Chapter 562, Statute of 2013) eliminated the one mobile dental clinic or unit limit and required a mobile dental unit or a dental practice that routinely uses portable dental units, a defined, to be registered and operated in accordance with the regulations of the Board. At its November 2014 meeting, the Board directed staff to add Mobile and Portable Dental Units to its list of regulatory priorities in order to interpret and specify the provisions relating to the registration requirements for the issuance of a mobile and portable dental unit. In December 2015, staff met and worked with the CDA to further develop regulatory language that was presented to the Board for consideration during the March 2016 meeting.

At its March 2016 meeting, the Board approved proposed regulatory language for the Mobile Dental Clinic and Portable Dental Unit Registration Requirements, however while drafting the initial rulemaking documents it was determined that the proposed language needed to be further developed. Staff presented revised language at the August 2017 meeting for the Board’s consideration which was approved unanimously. However, after receiving feedback from the California Dental Hygienists’ Association (CDHA) and the Dental Hygiene Committee of California (DHCC), Board staff revised the proposed language and presented it to the Board for consideration. The language was approved at the February 2018 Board Meeting which allowed Board staff to continue the rulemaking.

Board staff has drafted the initial rulemaking documents and is working with Board Legal Counsel to review. Once Board Legal Counsel approves, Board staff will submit the initial rulemaking documents to the Department of Consumer Affairs to review as required prior to submitting the documents to the Office of Administrative Law for noticing.

**x. Minimum Standards for Infection Control (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Section 1005):**

During the May 2018 meeting, the Board approved regulatory language relative to the Minimum Standards for Infection Control found in Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Section 1005 and directed staff to initiate rulemaking.

Board staff has drafted the initial rulemaking documents and is working with Board Legal Counsel to review. Once Board Legal Counsel approves, Board staff will submit the initial rulemaking documents to the Department of Consumer Affairs to review as required prior to submitting the documents to the Office of Administrative Law for noticing.

**xi. Substantial Relationship Criteria (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Sections 1019 and 1020):**

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 141 and 480, under existing law, boards may deny or discipline a license based upon discipline imposed by another
state, an agency of the federal government, or another country for any act substantially related to the licensed profession. Effective July 1, 2020, Assembly Bill 2138 (Chapter 995, Statutes of 2018) will require boards to amend their existing regulations governing substantially-related crimes or acts, and rehabilitation criteria.

During the February 2019 meeting, the Board approved proposed regulatory language relative to the substantial relationship criteria and criteria for evaluating rehabilitation found in Cal. Code of Regs., Title 16, Section 1019 and 1020.

Board staff has drafted the initial rulemaking documents and the Board Legal Counsel has approved. Board staff will submit the initial rulemaking documents to the Department of Consumer Affairs to review as required prior to submitting the documents to the Office of Administrative Law for noticing.

**Action Requested:**
No action is being requested at this time.