



Licensing, Certification and Permits Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday November 4, 2010
El Segundo, CA

Members Present:

Bruce Whitcher, DDS, Chair
Luis Dominicis, DDS, Vice Chair
Judith Forsythe, RDA
Rebecca Downing, Public Member

Members Absent:

Stephen Casagrande, DDS

Staff Present:

Richard DeCuir, Executive Officer
Denise Johnson, Assistant Executive Officer
Donna Kantner, Licensing & Examination Unit Manager
Kim A. Trefry, Enforcement Chief
Jocelyn Campos, Enforcement Coordinator
Karen Fischer, Licensing Analyst
Sarah Wallace, Legislation and Regulations Analyst
Linda Byers, Executive Assistant
Kristy Shellans, DCA Senior Staff Counsel
Greg Salute, Deputy Attorney General

Dr. Whitcher, Chair, called the committee meeting to order at 9:45am. Roll was called and a quorum was established.

LCP 1 – Approval of the February 25, 2010 Licensing, Certification, and Permits Committee Meeting Minutes

M/S/C (Forsythe/Dominicis) to approve the May 5, 2010 Licensing, Certification, and Permits Committee meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

LCP 2 – Dental, RDA and RDAEF Licensure & Permit Statistics

Dr. Bruce Whitcher reported that his comparison of the statistics for the last 9 months showed that Dental Licenses have gone up 466, RDA licenses have declined by 351. The delinquency rates for Dental licenses has remained in proportion, even though the number of RDA licenses have gone down, the number of RDA delinquencies has risen. Dr. Whitcher speculated that this probably just reflects the economy and the rate of unemployment. The concern is that the RDA population has declined leaving a shortage of assistants. RDAEF licenses have declined by 17. Dr. Whitcher's review of the Pathway to licensure showed little change. Dr. Whitcher reported that Licensure by Type remained consistent. Dr. Lori Gagliardi, CADAT, asked if there were any statistics for the Orthodontic Assistant Permit or the Dental Assisting Sedation Permits that have been issued. Dr. Whitcher stated that he didn't think there had been any issued yet. Dr. Lori Gagliardi asked if the stats for RDAEF I and RDAEF II could be broken down separately. Dr. Whitcher agreed to add those stats.

LCP 3 – General Anesthesia/Conscious Sedation Evaluation Statistics

Dr. Whitcher reported that the statistics remain consistent with past years. The program is working well with almost 300 evaluations being done in both categories.

LCP 4 – Update Regarding 2011 General Anesthesia Conscious Sedation Evaluator Calibration Courses

Dr. Whitcher reported that two Evaluator Calibration Course dates had been selected for approval; Wednesday March 16, 2011 in Northern Ca. and Wednesday March 23, 2011 in San Diego. There will be a whole new course this year which will count toward CE credits.

CLOSED SESSION - LICENSING, CERTIFICATION, AND PERMIT COMMITTEE

(a) Issuance of New License(s) to Replace Cancelled License(s)

***The Committee met in closed session as authorized by Government Code Section 11126(c)(2) to deliberate on applications for issuance of new license(s) to replace cancelled license(s)**

(b) 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 met in closed session as authorized by Government Code of Section 11126(c)(2) to deliberate whether or not to grant, deny, or request further evaluation for Conscious Sedation Permit as it Relates to an Onsite Inspection and Evaluation Failure.**

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Committee reviewed and denied the replacement of the cancelled license based on the fact that it had been more than 5 years since the license was cancelled. The Committee reviewed and denied the request for a conscious sedation permit citing the applicant's failure of the last two evaluations including failure to call 911 for an emergency.

Public Comment

There was no public comment

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.