Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners



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MEMORANDUM

To: All Dental Hygienist Licensees and Licensure Applicants

From: Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners

Re: Temporary Approval and Acceptance of Use of the Western Regional Examining

Board's comprehensive Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) for

Temporary Unrestricted Dental Hygiene License

Date: October 27, 2020

At its October 20, 2020 Board Meeting, the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners (NSBDE) considered recommendations from its Continuing Education Committee to temporarily approve and accept use of:

1) the Western Regional Examining Board's (WREB) comprehensive Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) for Dental Hygiene (NRS 631.300)

The NSBDE voted to accept the recommendations and approve use of the WREB OSCE examination by awarding temporary unrestricted dental hygienist licenses to applicants who submit passing WREB OSCE examination results, if the OSCE examinations are completed during the period from May 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

Therefore, pursuant to powers set forth under NRS 631.300, the NSBDE will issue <u>temporary</u> <u>unrestricted licenses</u> upon a properly completed application and submission of proof of successful completion of the WREB OSCE examination.

All <u>temporary unrestricted licenses</u> shall expire ninety (90) days after the Governor rescinds the declared state of emergency for COVID-19, at which time a patient-based dental hygiene clinical examination must be successfully completed in order for a temporary unrestricted license to be converted to a full license.

Any provision of NRS 631.300 in conflict with the above provisions relating to temporary unrestricted licenses are hereby temporarily suspended until ninety (90) days after the Governor rescinds the declared state of emergency for COVID-19.

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