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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Friday, August 1, 2014 8:14 a.m.

#### INFECTION CONTROL RESOURCE GROUP

(Chair: Mrs. Villigan; Dr. Blasco; Dr. Champagne; Dr. Pisani; Ms. Solie; Mrs. Wark)

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#### Call to Order, roll call, and establish quorum

Mrs. Villigan called the meeting to order and Mrs. Shaffer-Kugel conducted the following roll call:

Mrs. Leslea Villigan	PRESENT
Dr. Byron Blasco	PRESENT
Dr. Gregory Pisani	PRESENT
Dr. Jason Champagne	PRESENT
Mrs. Lisa Wark	EXCUSED
Ms. Carvn L Solie	PRESENT

Others Present: John Hunt, Board Legal Counsel; Debra Shaffer-Kugel, Executive Director.

Public Attendees: Elvira Kajans, RDH (via teleconference); Gail Corthell, RDH (via teleconference); Kelly Taylor, RDH; Shari Peterson, CSN/NDHA; Nelson Lasiter, DMD; Samantha Pivetz, Ferrari Public Affairs; Donna Hellwinkel, DDS; Alex Tanchek for Neena Laxalt, NDHA; James Mann, DDS; Chris Garvey, Oral Health Nevada; Syd McKenzie, Oral Health Nevada; Lynn Ann Bethel, Oral Health Nevada; Christine Openshaw, Oral Health Nevada.

Public Comment: No public comment. 2.

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- 3. Review, Discussion, and possible Recommendations regarding Infection Control (CDC) Guidelines and the Infection Control Audit Form (For Possible Action)
  - (a) Report from Leslea Villigan, RDH regarding OSAP Meeting

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Mrs. Villigan went over the report that she provided for the Board books. She indicated that the links of classes listed on her report are the ones she attended. Mrs. Villigan indicated that per FDA regulations, all diamond coated burs and instruments are defined as single use items; therefore, anything that is diamond coated is to be of single use only.

\*(b) Review, Discussion, and possible Recommendations regarding OSAP materials and information (For Possible Action)

No discussion.

\*(c) Review, Discussion and possible Recommendations regarding the Infection Control Audit Form (For Possible Action)

All looked at the audit form provided and the recommendation from Dr. Donna Hellwinkel. Dr. Hellwinkel was invited to step forward and speak to the members. Dr. Hellwinkel explained her reasons for the recommendations and indicated that she and Dr. Lynn Brosy both provided the recommendations. She commented to the Board that based on their experience, they would like to streamline the audit form as there seems to be a lot of redundancy. She went over the recommendations she submitted and explained the reasons that led to the recommendations. She noted that on pages 3 & 4 of the audit form, the biggest issue is record keeping; that dentists do not comprehend what information they are supposed to retain. Additionally, some of the dentists are not as organized and are not able to provide the evaluators with the information that they are seeking during an inspection. She emphasized the importance of requiring that the licensee (owning dentist) be present during an inspection visit. Dr. Hellwinkel noted to the committee that the northern inspectors grant the licensees time to correct issues that can be easily fixed; upon them correcting the issue, the inspector, then, submits the audit form to the Board office. Mrs. Shaffer-Kugel indicated that the dentist is provided a copy of the audit form when they submit the request for the inspection so that they are well aware of what the inspectors will be looking for. Mr. Hunt commented that with the adoption of the new regulation, summary suspension is available on initial and random inspections without requiring for it to go before the Board for approval. He further noted that the inspectors are encouraged to work with the dentists, as the Board's main concern is protecting the public. He noted that when there are critical errors, the dentists can voluntarily agree to discontinue practice until the critical error is corrected. Mrs. Villigan remarked how the auditors work vigorously and go out of their way to assist practices to understand the guidelines, and help educate the licensees on the infection control requirements.

Mrs. Corthell commented that as an inspector she sees a lot of confusion on question 22 regarding vaccination records; due to the ambiguity, it leads them to ask for childhood vaccination records. Mrs. Villigan read the list of vaccinations that are recommended, and suggested that they consider including them on the audit form. (List attached for the record). Dr. Blasco inquired on how an individual would be able to furnish proof of receiving a vaccination at the grocery store or pharmacy. It was suggested that the committee could draft a form for them to have the pharmacy technician administering the vaccine fill out to attest they have been given a certain vaccination. Another suggestion was to have the employer draft a document for the employee to complete attesting that they have been inoculated. Mrs. Villigan indicated that an employee could always do Titer testing to show that they have been vaccinated. Mr. Hunt commented that question number 22 could be eliminated from the form. Reason being that the individual can attest by signing a document that they received the recommended vaccinations, which the information requested in number 22, is already covered in items 20 & 21. He further indicated that an individual can attest or deny attesting that they have been inoculated. Mrs. Solie noted that question number 10 was asking for the same information as number 21. Mr. Hunt suggested eliminating question number 10 since it is redundant. Mrs. Peterson commented to the committee that as of 1998 all academic institutions health programs are required to confirm several vaccinations for all students, which they require titer testing. Therefore, all health care programs in the academic institutions require proof of vaccinations.

Dr. Hellwinkel suggested that they remove listing specific vaccinations. Mrs. Villigan indicated that they could change the language to read that they should abide by the most current recommendations of the CDC. Mr. Hunt noted to Mrs. Villigan that the current regulation states the adoption of the 2003 and 2008 recommendations. Therefore, the 2011 changes cannot be adopted without having to amend the regulation to read the most recently approved recommendations as stated in the CDC guidelines. He indicated that in October, the Board can adopt the 2011 CDC guidelines regarding vaccinations. Mrs. Shaffer-Kugel inquired for clarification that as long as there is record of an employee either attesting or declining a vaccination, the office is considered to be in compliance. The committee members affirmed her inquiry. Mrs. Villigan indicated that in reviewing the recommendations from Dr. Hellwinkel, she agreed that they would make the audit form more streamlined. However, as a committee, they would have to review all the recommendations and consider making changes accordingly. The committee went through the list of recommendations received and referenced the

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current audit form while doing so. Dr. Hellwinkel clarified some of the reasons for her suggestions. Mrs. Villigan suggested that the committee possibly consider approving the recommendations and replacing them with pages 1 and 2 of the current audit form. Mrs. Shaffer-Kugel suggested that, perhaps, they make a motion to create a new document using the recommendations from Dr. Hellwinkel.

MOTION: Blasco made the motion to take into consideration the recommendations and create a replicate form to present at the next meeting as a condensed form of the recommendations and guidelines. Mr. Hunt suggested amending the motion to approve that the audit form be revised to implement the recommendations and other suggestions discussed in the meeting, in which case the committee is to present the amended form to the Board with an additional recommendation that they adopt the 2011 CDC changes. Dr. Blasco agreed to the suggested language of the motion. Motion was seconded by Dr. Pisani. Discussion: Mrs. Villigan noted that on the back of the suggestions, it recommends changes regarding sterile surgical gloves from a level I to a Level II. Committee was in agreement to proceed with the recommendations. All were in favor.

Dr. Hellwinkel inquired of Mrs. Villigan what the FDA was now requiring, as she mentioned in her report from the OSAP meeting. Mrs. Villigan indicated that diamond coated equipment or instruments, per the FDA's stance, are only for single use. Furthermore, that it would be the licensee's responsibility to read the manual regarding sterilization. However, it is to be assumed that if there are no manuals provided they are of single use only. She expressed her opinion that there was no harm in inspectors knowing such information. Mrs. Solie suggested that the Board provide parts of the report in the newsletter as an informational piece regarding the FDA stance on anything diamond coated. Mrs. Shaffer-Kugel indicated that they office staff could load the information to the Board website along with the other CDC information.

Dr. Hellwinkel inquired if Board staff, when scheduling the inspections, could require that the licensee be present for an inspection. Mr. Hunt commented that if it is an initial inspection, they could require that the owning dentist be present. Mrs. Shaffer-Kugel commented that they will add to the initial inspection form language stating that they by submitting the initial inspection request they are agreeing to be present for the inspection. For the record, Mr. Hunt noted to the committee that this is an administrative change that would not require Board approval.

With regards to random inspections, Mrs. Solie inquired if it would be an issue for the owning dentist to be present for an inspection. Mrs. Villigan indicated to her that they are given notice that they have been selected for a random inspection. Mrs. Shaffer-Kugel noted to the committee members that some dentists have multiple practices, and therefore, sometimes designate a full-time dentist to a specific destination. Mr. Hunt indicated that should action need to be taken, the owner is ultimately the one responsible not a designated licensee or staff member. Therefore, the notice should state that the owner of the practice is required to be present for the inspection. He noted to the committee members that the regulation states that the owner of the practice must submit the initial inspection request; therefore, the Board requests the owning dentist must be present. Mrs. Shaffer-Kugel indicated to the committee that the form will be changed to state the owner of the practice must be present in accordance with the regulation, not the representing agent.

4. Public Comment: No public comment.

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- 5. <u>Announcements:</u> Mrs. Villigan suggested that the Board consider sending a few inspectors to receive training at the OSAP boot camp and then have them train the other inspectors.
- \*6. <u>Adjournment</u> (For Possible Action) MOTION: Dr. Blasco made the motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Dr. Pisani. All were in favor. <u>9:42 am</u>

Meeting adjourned at 9:42 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Debra Shaffer-Kugel, Executive Director