

Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners



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Notice of Agenda & Teleconference Meeting of The Infection Control Committee

Meeting Date & Time

Thursday, April 6th, 2023
6:00 P.M.

Meeting Location:

Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners
2651 N. Green Valley Pkwy., Suite 104
Henderson, NV 89014

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Note: Asterisks (*) "**For Possible Action**" denotes items on which the Board may take action.

Note: Action by the Board on an item may be to approve, deny, amend, or tabled.

1 **1. Call to Order**

- 2 - Roll call/Quorum

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5 Dr. Branco called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 P.M. Mr. Bateman conducted roll call.
6 Quorum was met.

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8 Dr. Joshua Branco (Dr. Branco) – Present
9 Dr. Lance Kim (Dr. Kim) – Present

Dr. Adam York (Dr. York) – Present
Ms. Kimberly Petrilla (Ms. Petrilla) – Present

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11 **Others Present:** Chris Bateman, Executive Director; Blair Parker, General Counsel; Dr. George Rosenbaum;
12 Carolyn Thomas, RDH

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14 **Public Attendees:** Karla Martinec; Parker Arecchi; Catherine Denney; Kelly Taylor; Mary Bobbett, RDH;
15 Samantha Sturges, RDH; Dr. David Lee

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17 **2. Public Comment (Live public comment, by teleconference, and pre-submitted email/written form):**

18 The public comment period is limited to matters specifically noticed on the agenda. No action may be taken upon the matter
19 raised during public comment unless the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an action item. Comments
20 by the public may be limited to three (3) minutes as a reasonable time, place and manner restriction, but may not be limited based
21 upon viewpoint. The Chairperson may allow additional time at his/her discretion.

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25 record during the meeting. Any other written public comment submissions received prior to the adjournment of the meeting will be
26 included in the permanent record.

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28 In accordance with Attorney General Opinion No. 00-047, as restated in the Attorney General's Open Meeting Law Manual, the
29 Chair may prohibit comment if the content of that comment is a topic that is not relevant to, or within the authority of, the Nevada
30 State Board of Dental Examiners, or if the content is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous,
31 offensive, inflammatory, irrational, or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers.

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33 There was no public comment.

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35 ***3. Chairman's Report:** Joshua Branco, DMD (For Possible Action)

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37 ***a. Request to Remove Agenda Item(s)** (For Possible Action)

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39 ***b. Approve Agenda** (For Possible Action)

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41 Dr. Branco introduced the above agenda item and made a motion to approve the original agenda. Dr.
42 Kim seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

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44 ***4. New Business:** (For Possible Action)

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46 ***a. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Recommendations to the Full Board of Proposed**
47 **Adjustments to the Infection Control Survey Form in General** (For Possible Action)

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49 Dr. Branco introduced the above agenda item and gave a brief overview explaining that our Infection
50 Control Inspectors wanted to update the form. Dr. Branco began by asking Committee members if they
51 had anything they wished to discuss.

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53 Ms. Petrilla began by questioning section 24 of the survey regarding equipment and maintenance logs,
54 asking what needs to be done for chair operatory maintenance. A discussion ensued between the
55 committee members and the inspectors regarding the lack of logs kept by offices and the importance
56 of keeping an up-to-date maintenance log. Dr. York expressed concern that this maintenance log may
57 be a little too extensive and broad for practice. Dr. Kim also asked how long offices are to keep the
58 maintenance log. Dr. Branco noted that that has not been specified yet. Discussion ensued between Dr.
59 York, Ms. Sturges, and Dr. Rosenbaum regarding the necessity and process of maintenance that falls
60 within the Infection Control jurisdiction. Dr. York again expressed concern about grouping all
61 maintenance needs together. Dr. Branco, Dr. Rosenbaum, and Ms. Petrilla agreed with Dr. York's
62 concern, and suggested removing "all maintenance." Ms. Petrilla tried to make a motion. Ms. Thomas
63 suggested to remove "chair" but keep "operatory" due to that including other maintenance connected

1 to said chair. Ms. Thomas continued that some offices don't have logs at all, which is the main concern
2 expressed by inspectors. Dr. Branco noted that the full survey addresses these concerns in other parts,
3 and that while chairs need to be maintained and logged, it is not necessarily an Infection Control topic.
4 Modifications are appropriate.

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6 A discussion ensued between Dr. Branco, Dr. Rosenbaum, and Ms. Sturges regarding the changes made
7 to Section 62, emergency kit, oxygen, etc. Dr. Branco took their suggestions into consideration.

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9 Dr. Branco brought Section 78 to the Committee's attention and asked for comments from members. No
10 comments were made.

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12 Dr. Branco brought up Section 58, explaining that the request was to clarify that, per CDC
13 recommendations, laundered gowns are required to cover all areas that can be contaminated with
14 aerosol; a scrub jacket would not meet the requirement. Dr. York expressed concerns about requiring full
15 length gowns for every procedure, Dr. Rosenbaum agreed it was a bit overkill. A discussion ensued
16 between Dr. York, Ms. Thomas, and Ms. Petrilla about disposable gowns being properly used, concerns
17 about current offices, and clarification from gowns offered to gowns recommended. Ms. Petrilla
18 mentioned that disposable/laundered gowns should be available for staff during aerosol producing
19 procedures. She suggested, disposable/laundered gowns available and used.

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21 Dr. York mentioned Section 56 regarding minimum level 3 masks during aerosol producing procedures
22 expressing concern about the vagueness of the wording. Dr. York and Dr. Branco had a discussion about
23 changing "minimum" to "available" to avoid confusion. Dr. York suggested changing the verbiage to:
24 level 3 masks available and used for all aerosol producing procedures. Mr. Parker clarified that we need
25 a motion for Section 56. Dr. York made a motion to approve the above mentioned language. Ms. Petrilla
26 seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion approved.

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28 Dr. Rosenbaum brought up Section 82, expressing concerns that offices are being mailed these forms
29 but are not completing it. He continued that if it was clearly stated or improved, the Board can ensure
30 they'll do it. Dr. Branco suggested tabling the topic, but noted that this may be covered under Section
31 86.

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33 Dr. Branco brought up Section 87 and suggested rewording it to: semi-critical items that are not heat or
34 chemical tolerant such as digital sensors, cameras, scanners, curing light handles, etc., use FDA cleared
35 barriers that are cleaned and then disinfected with an intermediate disinfected agent between
36 patients. Dr. York questioned why it was so specific, Dr. Branco answered that people aren't understand
37 what high-level and intermediate-level disinfection is. Dr. York motioned to approve the updated
38 language for section 88. Ms. Petrilla seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

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40 Dr. York mentioned Section 98 noting that he didn't have an action but rather questioned what the
41 change or comment was for this section. A discussion ensued between Dr. Rosenbaum, Dr. York, and Dr.
42 Branco surrounding the fact that people are mixing medium-level disinfectants, which should not be
43 done. Dr. Rosenbaum suggested further clarification for clinicians not to mix disinfectants. Mr. Parker
44 proposed tabling this section since they will need to come up with new language.

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46 Dr. Rosenbaum mentioned Section 23, stating that the current rating is too stringent and should be
47 moved to a level 2 with a grace period of a week to fix. Dr. Branco and Ms. Thomas disagreed,
48 expressing the necessity of making it a level 1.

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50 Dr. York mentioned Section 28 and questioned what the change or comment was. As there was no
51 language suggested, Mr. Parker suggested tabling the section.

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53 Ms. Petrilla brought up Section 75 and questioned if it was the same as Section 24. Dr. Branco clarified
54 that one was in reference to record keeping and the other to procedure. Ms. Thomas noted that offices
55 were working without a log and wanted to keep that distinction to avoid confusion.

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57 Dr. Branco opened the space to public comment. Ms. Kelly Taylor gave clarification to some of the

sections aforementioned and expressed worry of Board's "micromanaging" of professionals. Ms. Samantha Sturges also gave clarification on a section aforementioned. Dr. Branco thanked them for their comments.

Dr. Kim made a motion to present the changes made to the Infection Control Survey to the full Board. Dr. York questioned if it would be more efficient to reconvene prior to the Board meeting to present one, completed document rather than two separate times. Mr. Parker corroborated the different options, and suggested following Dr. York's recommendation. Dr. Branco made a motion to approve the non-tabled topics to hold for full Board's consideration once the other four topics are agreed upon. Dr. York seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

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There was no public comment.

6. Announcements

There were no announcements.

***7. Adjournment** (For Possible Action)

Dr. York motioned to adjourn. Ms. Petrilla seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

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