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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE & INFECTION CONTROL COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Meeting Date & Time Wednesday, April 23, 2025 6:00 p.m. **Meeting Location**

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

<u>Video Conferencing/ Teleconferencing Available</u>
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<u>Public Comment by pre-submitted email/written form and Live Public Comment by teleconference</u> is available after roll call (beginning of meeting and prior to adjournment (end of meeting). Live Public Comment is limited to three (3) minutes for each individual.

Members of the public may submit public comment in written form to: Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners, 2651 N. Green Valley Pkwy, Ste. 104, Henderson, NV 89014; FAX number (702) 486-7046; e-mail address nsbde@dental.nv.gov. Written submissions received by the Board on or before Tuesday, April 8, 2025, by 12:00 p.m. may be entered into the record during the meeting. Any other written public comment submissions received prior to the adjournment of the meeting will be included in the permanent record.

The Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners may: 1) address agenda items out of sequence to accommodate persons appearing before the Board or to aid the efficiency or effectiveness of the meeting; 2) combine items for consideration by the public body; 3) pull or remove items from the agenda at any time. The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person. See NRS 241.030. Prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or a quasi-judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual the board may refuse to consider public comment. See NRS 233B.126.

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meeting. If special arrangements for the meeting are necessary, please notify the Board, at (702) 486-7044, no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting. Requests for special arrangements made after this time frame cannot be guaranteed.

Pursuant to NRS 241.020(2) you may contact at (702) 486-7044, to request supporting materials for the public body or you may download the supporting materials for the public body from the Board's website at http://dental.nv.gov In addition, the supporting materials for the public body are available at the Board's office located at 2651 N. Green Valley Pkwy, Ste. 104, Henderson, NV 89014.

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 table it.

1. Call to Order

a. Roll Call/Quorum

2. <u>Public Comment (Live public comment by teleconference and pre-submitted email/written form):</u>

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The 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 State Board of Dental Examiners, or if the content is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational, or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers.

- 3. Chairperson's Report: Kimblery Petrilla, RDH (For Possible Action)
 - a. Request to Remove Agenda Item(s) (For Possible Action)
 - b. Approve Agenda (For Possible Action)
- 4. Old Business: (For Possible Action)
 - a. NA
- 5. New Business: (For Possible Action)
 - **a.** Review, Discussion and Possible Recommendation of the Infection Control Committee Bylaws to the Board NRS 631.190 (For Possible Action)

 Review, Discussion and Possible Recommendation for a Temporary Infection Control Program Developer Position to the Board – NRS 631.190 (For Possible Action)

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- 7. Announcements:
- 8. Adjournment: (For Possible Action)

Bylaws of the Infection Control Committee Board of Dental Examiners

Establishment

The Infection Control Committee (the "Committee") is hereby established as a standing committee of the Board of Dental Examiners (the "Board"). The Committee shall operate in accordance with these bylaws and any applicable laws and regulations governing the Board.

Purpose

The Committee shall provide oversight and recommendations to the Board on matters related to infection control, inspections, and related regulatory compliance. The Committee's primary responsibilities include reviewing and maintaining the infection control inspection report and inspection procedures.

Membership

- 1. The Committee shall be composed of at least 4 members, appointed by the Board, but no more than 5 members. At least 1 committee member must be a dental hygienist on the Board.
- 2. The Executive Director shall serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member and provide administrative support as needed.
- 3. The Board President appoints a Chair to the Committee at the 1st or 2nd board meeting of the calendar year.
- 4. The Board President appoints Committee Members to serve at the 1st or 2nd board meeting of the calendar year.
- 5. Any Committee Member may consult with the Board President to discuss the removal of any Committee Member from the Committee for actions that are unethical and/or result in unprofessional conduct.

Meetings

- 1. The Committee shall meet twice per year, or more frequently as deemed necessary by the Chairperson or the Board.
- 2. Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with applicable open meeting laws and Board procedures.
- 3. A majority of Committee members shall constitute a quorum for conducting business.
- 4. The Committee shall keep minutes of its meetings and submit them to the Board for review.

Authority and Responsibilities

The Committee shall have the authority to:

1. Review and make recommendations to the Board regarding infection control practices, standards, and guidelines applicable to dental practice.

- 2. Recommend regulatory or policy changes related to infection control and patient safety.
- 3. Provide guidance on matters related to inspections of dental facilities for infection control compliance.
- 4. Recommend continuing education topics or requirements for licensees on infection control.

Reporting and Recommendations

- 1. The Committee shall submit formal recommendations to the Board for consideration and approval.
- 2. The Committee does not have independent decision-making authority but serves in an advisory capacity to the Board.

Amendments

These bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the Board, provided that the notice of proposed amendments is given in advance.

Effective Date

These bylaws shall take effect immediately upon approval by the Board of Dental Examiners.

Temporary Infection Control Program Developer

Position Type: Temporary (Estimated 6-9 Months)

Job Summary:

The Nevada Board of Dental Examiners seeks a Temporary Infection Control Program Specialist to establish a comprehensive infection control program. This role will focus on developing standardized inspection checklists, procedures, and enforcement protocols to ensure compliance with NRS 631 and NAC 631 while integrating appropriate CDC guidelines. The specialist will collaborate with board members, staff, and stakeholders to create an effective inspection and enforcement framework.

Key Responsibilities:

1. Update the Infection Control Inspection Checklist

- a. Ensure alignment with NRS 631 and NAC 631 regulations.
- b. Clearly differentiate Board laws and regulations from CDC guidelines for clarity.
- c. Present the revised checklist to the Board and Infection Control Committee for review and approval.

2. Develop Inspection Procedure Guides & Operating Procedures

- Create a detailed inspection guide that outlines procedures from start to finish.
- b. Develop a standardized approach for addressing dental facilities that fail an infection control inspection.

3. Participate in Committee and Board Meetings

- a. Communicate the need for updates to the inspection checklist.
- b. Provide progress reports and gather input on the development of inspection and enforcement procedures.

4. Develop Multiple Inspection Procedures

- a. Establish procedures for various types of inspections, including:
 - i. Opening inspections for new dental facilities.
 - ii. Random inspections for ongoing compliance.
 - iii. Re-inspections for failed facilities.
 - iv. Complaint-driven inspections triggered by public or practitioner complaints.
 - v. Mobile / pop-up dental clinic inspections.

5. Develop Immediate Closure & Emergency Enforcement Procedures

- a. Define step-by-step protocols for closing dental facilities due to severe infection control violations.
- b. Establish criteria and processes for summary suspensions by the Board President.

Qualifications:

- Experience in infection control, regulatory compliance, or healthcare inspections preferred.
- Familiarity with NRS 631 and NAC 631 or willingness to learn regulatory frameworks.
- Strong technical writing and policy development skills.
- Ability to work independently and communicate effectively with board members and stakeholders.

Proposed Timeline for Completion:

Phase	Tasks	Estimated Completion
Phase 1: Research & Planning	Review NRS 631, NAC 631, CDC guidelines, and current infection control processes. Conduct stakeholder meetings.	Month 1-2
Phase 2: Checklist Update	Revise infection control checklist; differentiate laws vs. guidelines; present draft to the Board.	Month 3
Phase 3: Inspection Procedures	Develop detailed procedures for different inspections. Draft a guide for failed inspections.	Month 4-5
Phase 4: Immediate Closure Protocols	Create criteria and process for immediate closures and summary suspensions. Present draft to the Board.	Month 5-6
Phase 5: Board Approval & Implementation	Finalize documents based on feedback, implement training for inspectors, and roll out new procedures.	Month 7-9