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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE & BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Dental Hygiene, Dental Therapy, and EFDA Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date & Time

Monday, July 28, 2025
6:00 p.m.

Meeting Location

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

Video Conferencing/ Teleconferencing Available

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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 table it.

1. Call to Order

a. Roll Call/Quorum

Board Members' Present: Dr. Joshua Branco (Co- Chair), Ms. Yamilka Arias (Co- Chair), Ms. Jana McIntyre, Ms. Kimberly Petrilla.

Board Members' Absent: NA

Board staff present: Director Higginbotham, General Counsel Barraclough, A. Cymerman, M. Kelley, L. Chagolla.

- 2. Public Comment (Live public comment by teleconference and pre-submitted email/written form):** The public comment period is limited to matters specifically noticed on the agenda. No action may be taken upon the matter raised during the public comment unless the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an action item. Comments by the public may be limited to three (3) minutes as a reasonable time, place and manner restriction, but may not be limited to based upon viewpoint. The Chairperson may allow additional time at his/her discretion.

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In accordance with Attorney General Opinion No. 00-047, as restated in the Attorney General's Open Meeting Law Manual, 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.

Terry Chandler communicated concerns regarding the application and oversight of the Public Health Dental Hygiene Protocol in Nevada, referencing NRS 631.287.

She emphasized that the intent of the legislation was to increase access to care for underserved populations, including Medicaid recipients and those in rural communities, not to support for-profit dental service models. Ms. Chandler questioned whether it is legally appropriate for a dentist to request approval of a public health dental hygiene protocol, noting that the statute specifies that the applicant must be a dental hygienist with an approved protocol. She also clarified that, based on her experience since 2009, the lead dental hygienist typically serves as the protocol administrator and manages special endorsement requests for other RDHs under that program.

Janet Crosswhite communicated her alignment with Terri Chandler's statement, noting that her program was modeled after Chandler's longstanding Future Smiles program. Cross White shared that Heavenly Smiles has been an approved public health dental hygiene program since 2021 and provides services to assisted living and group homes. She noted that a part-time dentist is affiliated with her program, and based on prior guidance she received, dentists are not required to obtain Public Health Endorsement (PHE) program approval. She offered to answer any questions regarding her program.

3. Chairperson's Report: (For Possible Action)

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

Dr. Branco requested the removal of Agenda Items 4(a) and 4(b); the Board contacted the licensees for additional information but has not yet received a response.

b. Approve Agenda (For Possible Action)

A motion to approve the agenda with the removed items was made by Ms. McIntyre, and it was seconded by Ms. Arias.

No discussion.

All members voted 'AYE.'

- c. Committee Name Update Notification (Informational Purposes Only)

4. New Business: (For Possible Action)

- a. Review, Discussion, and Possible Approval/Rejection of Public Health Endorsed Program(s) – NRS 631.190; NRS 631.34583 (For Possible Action)
 - i. Revive Mobile Oral Health Solution – Dr. Patterson (License #5804)

Item removed from agenda.

- b. Review, Discussion, and Possible Approval/Rejection Public Health Endorsed Dental Hygienist(s) – NRS 631. 190; NRS 631.287 (For Possible Action)
 - i. Stacey Bonano, RDH (License #101634)

Item removed from agenda.

- c. Review, Discussion, and Possible Approval/Rejection of Updated Electronic Application(s) - NRS 631.190; NRS 631.287, NRS 631.34583 (For Possible Action)
 - i. Public Health Endorsed Program Application
 - ii. Public Health Endorsed Individual Application

Director Higginbotham communicated that the purpose of the applications is to begin developing an organized and electronic list of all public health programs and associated individuals. This effort aims to improve operational efficiency, raise public awareness, and enhance website accessibility by providing a centralized, up-to-date directory. The goal is to stabilize existing programs, support the creation of educational content, and help individuals seeking care connect with program providers.

Dr. Branco communicated his agreement and the necessity to have these applications in place to assist in organization of the program.

A motion was made by Dr. Branco to approve the Public Health Endorsed Program and Individual applications, and it was seconded by Ms. McIntyre.

No discussion.

All members voted ‘AYE.’

5. **Public Comment (Live public comment by teleconference):** This public comment period is for any matter that is within the jurisdiction of the public body. No action may be taken upon the matter raised during public comment unless the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an action item. Comments by the public may be limited to three (3) minutes as a reasonable time, place and manner restriction but may not be limited based upon viewpoint. The Chairperson may allow additional time at his/her discretion.

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No public comment.

6. **Announcements:**

No announcements.

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

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Petrilla, and it was seconded by Ms. McIntyre.

No discussion.

All members' voted 'AYE.'