

JOE LOMBARDO  
Governor

STATE OF NEVADA



DR. KRISTOPHER SANCHEZ  
*Director*

PERRY FAIGIN  
NIKKI HAAG  
MARCEL F. SCHAEERER  
*Deputy Directors*

A.L. HIGGINBOTHAM  
*Executive Director*

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY  
OFFICE OF NEVADA BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COUNCILS STANDARDS  
NEVADA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

**PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE & INFECTION CONTROL  
COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Meeting Date & Time**  
Tuesday, January 20, 2026  
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**  
**To access by phone, +1(646) 568-7788**

**To access by video webinar,**  
**<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89575311609>**  
**Webinar/Meeting ID#: 895 7531 1609**  
**Webinar/Meeting Passcode: 440945**

**PUBLIC NOTICE:**

**Public Comment by pre-submitted email/written form and Live Public Comment by teleconference** 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](mailto:nsbde@dental.nv.gov).** Written submissions received by the Board on or before **Monday, January 19, 2026, 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.

Persons/facilities who want to be on the mailing list must submit a written request every six (6) months to the Nevada State

Board of Dental Examiners at the address listed in the previous paragraph. With regard to any board meeting or telephone conference, it is possible that an amended agenda will be published adding new items to the original agenda. Amended Nevada notices will be posted in compliance with the Open Meeting Law.

We are pleased to make reasonable accommodations for members of the public who are disabled and wish to attend the 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**

**Board Members Present: Ms. Kimberly Petrilla (Chair), Dr. Joshua Branco, Dr. Daniel Streifel, Dr. Joan Landron.**

**Board Members Absent: Dr. Ashley Hoban**

**Board Staff Present: Director Higginbotham, General Counsel Barraclough, Dr. Helen Kanian, M. Ramirez, 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.

Members of the public may submit public comment via email to [nsbde@dental.nv.gov](mailto:nsbde@dental.nv.gov), or by mailing/faxing messages to the Board office. Written submissions received by the Board on or before Monday, January 19, 2026, at 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.

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.

**No public comment.**

## **3. Chairperson's Report: Kimberely Petrilla, RDH (For Possible Action)**

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

**NA**

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

**A motion to approve the agenda was made by Dr. Streifel, and it was seconded by Dr. Branco.**

**No discussion,**

**All members voted ‘AYE.’**

**4. Old Business:** (For Possible Action)

- a. Review, Discussion, and Possible Approval/Rejection of Infection Control Inspection Survey form – NAC 631.1785 (For Possible Action)**

**The Infection Control Committee reviewed the State of Nevada Infection Control Checklist to reassess which inspection items should be designated as critical deficiencies versus non-critical deficiencies. Discussion focused on consistency in inspections, appropriate use of re-inspections within the 72-hour regulatory framework, and alignment with CDC guidance and current regulations.**

**Key points included:**

- Clarification that critical deficiencies trigger a required re-inspection within 72 hours but do not result in immediate closure; closures are reserved for imminent health risks under Board President authority.**
- Concern that certain administrative or documentation items do not warrant automatic in-person re-inspection and are better addressed through corrective action and submission of documentation.**
- Emphasis that finalized critical vs. non-critical determinations will inform inspector training manuals and support consistent enforcement statewide.**

**Committee determinations:**

- Reclassified as non-critical: Items 17, 19, and 22.**
- Tabled for further review: Items 50 and 51, pending clarification of the CDC definition of event-related monitoring.**
- Added as critical: Item 71 (waterline maintenance/monitoring).**
- Revised but remains critical: Item 69, revised to apply specifically to surgical implant procedures requiring sterile saline or sterile water coolant.**
- Confirmed to remain critical: Items 1, 20, 21, 29, 31, 34(a–d), 35, 38, 39(a–d), 43, 44, 49, 67, 70, 74, and 76.**

**(Chair Petrilla allowed a comment to be made at this time, from a member of the public, identified as Kelly Taylor.)**

**The committee agreed these revisions will be incorporated into the checklist, with additional clarification brought back as needed before final Board approval.**

**A motion to recommend this for review to the full dental board , pending changes made, was made by Dr. Branco and it was seconded by Ms. Petrilla.**

**No discussion.**

**All members voted ‘AYE.’**

**5. New Business:** (For Possible Action)

- a. Review, Discussion, and Possible Approval/Rejection of Infection Control Inspection Audit forms– NAC 631.1785 (For Possible Action)
  - i. Infection Control Mobile Unit Audit Form
  - ii. Infection Control Mobile Audit Form Attachment (i.e. Off-site sterilization equipment inspection)

**Dr. Branco inquired about the difference in these forms versus the master infection control survey form used for traditional brick-and-mortar units.**

**The Infection Control Committee reviewed the proposed infection control inspection form for mobile dental units and off-site dental settings, as well as the attachment provided for off-site sterilization, including their applicability to public health programs and non–brick-and-mortar dental services.**

**Key points included:**

- **The mobile and off-site inspection forms include additional questions specific to mobile/portable operations and remove certain items from the master checklist that are not applicable, particularly for programs performing limited services such as screenings using fully disposable supplies.**
- **The goal of the revised forms is to streamline inspections while maintaining appropriate infection control oversight for non-traditional settings.**
- **Once the master inspection checklist is finalized (including critical vs. non-critical deficiencies), those same critical designations will be carried over and aligned across the mobile and off-site inspection forms to ensure consistency.**
- **These inspection forms will also be used for approved public health programs, including those operating in schools or other community settings.**

**A motion to approve the two audit form, pending the amendments, was made by Ms. Petrilla, and it was seconded by Dr. Branco.**

**No discussion.**

**All members voted ‘AYE.’**

- 6. 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.

Members of the public may submit public comment via email to [nsbde@dental.nv.gov](mailto:nsbde@dental.nv.gov), or by mailing/faxing messages to the Board office. Written submissions received by the Board on or before Monday, January 19, 2026, 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.

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

**No public comment.**

**7. Announcements:**

**Director Higginbotham communicated that these items will be on the board agenda for next week, January 28, 2026.**

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

**A motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Streifel, and it was seconded by Dr. Landron.**

**No discussion.**

**All members voted 'AYE.'**

*Note: To minimize computer resource and data storage drains, only the copies of the applications (redacted to exclude personal identifying or personal health information) are included with this agenda. However, the Board acknowledges that some records attached to the applications (aside from any included proprietary information, but including such things as permits, licenses, route maps, etc.) are generally public records. The Board will make available copies of the non-confidential documents attached to the applications to any member of the public upon request.*