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OPEN SESSION MINUTES

August 16, 2023

Anesthesia and Sedation Committee Meeting

On the aforementioned date, members of the Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners’ (“Board”) Anesthesia and Sedation Committee (“Committee”) held a virtual/telephonic meeting. The Committee did not meet in executive session.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

	Anthony Herro, DDS	Chairperson and Board Member
🕒	Lisa B. Bienstock, DMD	Board Member
	Edward H. Christensen, DDS	Board Member
	Matthew D. Arnall, DDS	Public Committee Member
	Ali Baghai, CRNA	Committee Member
	Randall J. Blazic, DDS	Public Committee Member
	Jason W. Brady, DMD	Public Committee Member
🕒	Jeffrey N. Brownstein, DDS	Public Committee Member
X	Jonathan Jerman, MD	Public Committee Member
	Randall Lout, DDS	Public Committee Member
	Heath Snell, DDS	Public Committee Member
X	Absent	
🕒	Joined the meeting as denoted in the body of the minutes	

STAFF AND ASSISTANT ATTORNEY(S) GENERAL PRESENT

Ryan P. Edmonson	Executive Director
Kristina C. Gomez	Deputy Director
Seamus Monaghan, Esq.	Assistant Attorney General
Sherrie Biggs	Assistant Deputy Director
Sussie Adams	Program Projects Specialist
Jessica Thomas	Rules Administrator
Yazmin Bustamante	Executive Assistant

GUESTS PARTICIPATING AND/OR PRESENT

Anthony Caputo	Guest
KNXV Editors	Guest
Anne Ryman	Guest

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Dr. Herro. Roll call of the committee members was taken and a quorum was established.

Dr. Brady and Mr. Baghai joined the meeting at 5:03 p.m.

II. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

A. Discussion and approval of the Open Session Minutes from the August 11, 2023 committee meeting.

No action was taken by the Committee with respect to the review and/or approval of the August 11, 2023 meeting minutes.

III. NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING (“NPR”)

The Committee reviewed the NPR and discussed the required number of cases and training for a 1303 Permit. An applicant for a 1303 Permit is required to complete 30 credit hours. In order to obtain a Pediatric Endorsement, the applicant must complete 15 credit hours, in addition to the 30 credit hours required according to subsection E(1). The Committee also clarified that a dentist shall submit an affidavit to the Board indicating that the dentist has provided enteral moderate sedation for 10 patients who are less than 8 years or age.

Motion: Dr. Lout to accept the language change to require the completion of at least 15 credit hours, in addition to the 30 hours required in the areas of pediatric airway anatomy, physical evaluation, medical conditions and medical emergencies.

Second: Dr. Herro

Vote: 9-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 2-absent. Motion passed.

The Committee proceeded to address pending comments throughout the rule. During discussion, the Committee added new language to R4-11-1306 pertaining to minimal sedation. The Committee also concurred to define minimal sedation.

Dr. Brownstein joined the meeting at 5:34 p.m.

The Committee proceeded to review A.A.C. R4-11-1304. The consensus of the Committee was to eliminate language pertaining to a temporary 1304 Permit, as it would be an unnecessary and burdensome process for Board staff. The Committee also took into consideration the timeframe for Board staff to process permits and considered it appropriate. The Committee proceeded to discuss whether every dentist who brings in a qualified anesthesia provider should be required to have a permit. However, after discussion, the consensus of the Committee was to not add language to require a new permit. During the review of subsection E, the Committee discussed the requirement for Permit holders to establish a functional intravenous catheter for each patient receiving anesthesia or sedation services.

Motion: Dr. Snell moved to remove language requiring permit holders to ensure that a functional catheter be established for each patient receiving anesthesia or sedation services, throughout the permit sections.

Second: Dr. Lout

Vote: 10-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 1-absent. Motion passed.

The Committee proceeded to discuss SB1602 as it pertains to the management of a patient's recovery after an anesthesia procedure and continued to address pending language throughout the rule. During the review of R4-11-1305, the Committee discussed language pertaining to mandatory reporting.

Motion: Dr. Christensen moved to recommend that a reportable incident would either be a death in a dental office or a hospital admission.

Second: Dr. Blazic

Vote: 10-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 1-absent. Motion passed.

The Committee proceeded to review R4-11-1307 and simplified language pertaining to the renewal of permits. After the Committee finished reviewing pending comments through the draft NPR, Dr. Caputo proposed that the Committee consider a language change for R4-11-1301 to allow a 1301 Permit holder to administer general anesthesia or deep sedation by any means, in any medical or healthcare facility. The Committee expressed support for the recommendation and revised subsection A to clarify that before administering general anesthesia or deep sedation by any means, a dentist shall possess a Section 1301 Permit issued by the Board; regardless of what setting the dentist is in.

Dr. Bienstock departed the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

The Committee proceeded to make corrections to references.

Motion: Dr. Herro moved to recommend the edits as shown, to the Dental Board.

Second: Dr. Lout

Vote: 8-aye, 1-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 2-absent. Motion passed.

Mr. Baghai voted against the motion and stated that he feels it does not protect the public as it should be in regards to every office that is bringing in a qualified anesthesia provider having a permit. Also, removing the ability to obtain a temporary 1304 Permit creates an access to care issues.

IV. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

None were discussed.

V. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS AND AGENDAS

None.

VI. NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE(S)

None.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Herro adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.