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AMENDED NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING
OF THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS’

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute (“A.R.S”) § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners (“Board”) and to the general public that the Board will hold a meeting open to the public on **Friday, April 11, 2025 at 8:00 a.m.** The meeting will be held in **Boardroom A** located at 1740 West Adams Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. One or more members of the Board may participate in the meeting by telephonic communications. Board members and members of the public may access the meeting telephonically by dialing +1 405-695-6182 followed by the meeting pin – 495 831 466# or virtually, by video conferencing through this link: meet.google.com/ocf-rcxk-cns. After the start of the meeting, the Board president and/or staff will request that members of the public place their phones/devices on mute.

Meetings of the Board are open to the public, and are conducted in a manner to ensure that the Board's deliberations are not disrupted. Therefore, the following statement shall be considered the only warning of proper decorum: "each person who addresses the Board must do so in an orderly manner and must not make impertinent, slanderous, threatening, abusive or profane remarks to any member of the Board, staff, licensee, complainant or general public. Any person who engages in any disorderly conduct that disrupts, disturbs, or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of any meeting will be removed from the current meeting and closely monitored should they decide to attend future meetings".

During the course of the meeting, the Board, upon a majority vote of a quorum of the members, may, when necessary, hold an executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) and/or (3) as indicated on the Board’s Agenda. The executive session is not open to the public.

Information concerning the Board’s Agenda, including a copy of the Agenda and any amendments, can be obtained at the Board’s office, through the Board’s website at www.dentalboard.az.gov or by calling the Board’s office at 602.242.1492. The Agenda is subject to change up to 24 hours prior to the meeting. Agenda items are noted by number and letter for convenience and reference. The Board may address the agenda items in any order within the time frame, if any, indicated and may set over matters to a later time when necessary. The Board reserves the right to change the order of the agenda items, except for matters set for a specific time.

Title 2 of the Americans with Disabilities Act prohibits the Board from discriminating on the basis of disability in its public meetings. Persons with a disability may request reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting Board staff at 602.242.1492. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

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Ryan P. Edmonson, Executive Director

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Amended Board Meeting Agenda

The Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners’ (“Board”) President reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda, except for public hearings set for a specific time.

During the Board meeting and upon a vote of the majority of a quorum, the Board may go into executive session to obtain legal advice from the Board’s attorney(s) pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute (“A.R.S.”) § 38-431.03(A)(3) on any agenda items listed on the agenda. All meeting attendees whose presence is not required in an executive session will be required to leave the meeting room during executive session. Any and all legal action will take place in open session.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

II. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – A.R.S. § 38-503

Individual board members may declare specific conflicts with specific agenda items. All conflicts are notated by a signed Conflict of Interest Form declaring the member's actual or perceived conflict, including the full nature of the conflict and the signed form is retained in a special Board file.

III. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Upon a vote of the majority of a quorum, the Board may go into executive session for item B pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) to discuss or consider records exempt, by law, from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law.

- A. Discussion and approval of the Open Session Minutes from the February 28, 2025 board meeting.
- B. Discussion and approval of the Executive Session Minutes from the February 28, 2025 board meeting.
- C. Discussion and approval of the Open Session Minutes from the March 7, 2025 special board meeting.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Upon a vote of the majority of a quorum, the Board may go into executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) to discuss or consider records exempt, by law, from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law. (All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine or have been previously reviewed by the Board or the Board’s Designee and may be considered for approval as a

single action, unless a Board Member wishes to remove an item for independent review, discussion and possible action).

A. Application(s) for Licensing of Dentist(s) or Hygienist(s) – A.R.S. §§ 32-1231 et seq. and 32-1281 et seq. respectively

Board to review, discuss and take possible action on the following application(s) listed below. Action may include, but is not limited to, the offer of licensure subject to a consent agreement:

1. Messenger, Eugene E., DDS (*by Credentials*)

B. Termination of Board Orders(s)/Consent Agreements(s)

Board to review, discuss and take possible action to terminate the following Board Order(s)/Consent Agreement(s) and/or open a complaint for non-compliance, which may also include an emergency action permitted by statute and rule

1. 202300210; Henderson, Harold
2. 202300215; Zargar, Andre
3. 202300258 & 202300260; Lu, Constant
4. 202400136; Couser, Blaine (*Christensen conflicted*)

C. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for Dismissal

Board to review the results of the investigation(s), discuss and take possible action on the following case(s) listed below. Action may also include, but is not limited to, rejection of the recommendation and the issuance of a Letter of Concern, Non-Disciplinary Order, or the Offer of a Disciplinary Consent Agreement:

1. 202400322; Caparas, Michael
2. 202400324; Ashtiani, Mark
3. 202400326; Saghafi, Negin
4. 202400342; Okun, Amy
5. 202400361; Kim, Sean
6. 202400386; Manesh, Peter
7. 202400396; Leonard, De'Shondra
8. 202400427; Benting, Douglas
9. 202400430; Call, Brent
10. 202400436; Brady, Chadwick
11. 202400445; Bond, David
12. 202400446; Thomas, Kyle
13. 202400461; Bethers, Brent
14. 202400468-MP; Baker, Nathan
15. 202400469; Patel, Vineet
16. 202400470; Campbell, Jordan
17. 202400501; Dawood, Revan (*Penna conflicted*)
18. 202400508; Pierse, Joseph
19. 202400509; Amini, Azadeh
20. 202400510; Fairchild, Carl
21. 202400511; McLaughlin, Michael

D. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for a Letter of Concern

Board to review the results of the investigation(s), discuss and take possible action to issue Letters of Concern on the following case(s) listed below. Action may also include, but is not limited to, rejection of the recommendation and dismissal of the

matter, issuance of a Non-Disciplinary Order, or the offer of a Disciplinary Consent Agreement.

1. 202400313; Bedoya, Manuel
2. 202400400; Perna, Salvatore

V. ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Upon a vote of the majority of a quorum, the Board may go into executive session, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) to discuss or consider records exempt, by law, from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law.

A. Initial Review

Board to review, discuss and take possible action on information received to determine whether cause exists to open an investigation file and/or take non-disciplinary/disciplinary action.

1. L.B. (*Herro & El-Gendy conflicted*)
2. J.J.

B. Review of Investigation(s)

Board to review, discuss and take possible action on the following case(s):

1. 202400346; Bedoya, Manuel
2. 202400347; Bui, Long
3. 202500047; Porter, Nathan

C. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for Issuance of a Non-Disciplinary Order for Continuing Education – A.R.S. § 32-1263.02(F)(3)

Board to review the results of the investigation(s), discuss and take possible action to issue/offer Non-Disciplinary Board Order(s) on the case(s) listed below. Action may also include, but is not limited to, rejection of the recommendation, Dismissal of the matter, offer of a Disciplinary Consent Agreement and/or any other action allowed by Board statute and rule:

1. 202400292; Smallwood, Trent

D. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for an Offer of a Disciplinary Consent Agreement

Board to review the results of the investigation(s), discuss and take possible action to offer Disciplinary Consent Agreement(s)/Board Order(s) on the case(s) listed below. Action may also include, but is not limited to, rejection of the recommendation, Dismissal of the matter, issuance of Non-Disciplinary Board Order(s) and/or any other action allowed by Board statute and rule:

1. 202300341; Chaffin, James
2. 202300488; Chaffin, James
3. 202400011; Brown Jr., Calvin
4. 202400094; Chaffin, James
5. 202400181; Brown Jr., Calvin
6. 202400284; Condie, Shandy
7. 202400297; Chaffin, James
8. 202400330; Sobieraj, Martin
9. 202500011; Soto, Jose Alfredo

E. Formal Interview(s)

Board to conduct formal investigative interviews and review, discuss and take possible action on the following case(s):

**Formal interviews are scheduled for 45 minutes*

1. 202300174 & 202300306; The B.L.H.G. Group
 - a. Lead Board Member: Dr. Morrow
 - b. Summary of Investigation: Dr. Cutler

F. Adverse Occurrence Report and/or Self-Report Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-3208 and/or 32-1272, et seq.

Board to review, discuss and take possible action on Adverse Occurrences and/or Self-Reports. Action may include, but is not limited to, conducting further investigation and/or any other action allowed by law on the following case(s):

1. 202500049-AO
2. 202500051-AO

G. Review Draft Board Order(s)/Consent Agreement(s)

Board to review, discuss, and take possible action to review investigations and potentially approve previously determined draft Board Order(s)/Consent Agreement(s). Action may include the offer of a modified Board Order/Consent Agreement, rescission of its previous motion for Board Order/Consent Agreement, or any interim action as allowed by statute, for the following case(s):

1. 202400101; Porter, Arthur

H. Review of Compliance/Non Compliance for Consent Agreement(s)/Board Order(s)

Review, discussion and possible action regarding compliance with Consent Agreement(s)/Board Order(s), and/or consideration of licensee's request for extension, termination, or amendment of the terms of the Order, on the following case(s) listed below. Board may also take further action as allowed by law related to the compliance review or licensee request.

1. 202300076; Epperson, Christopher (*El-Gendy conflicted*)
2. 202300133; Epperson, Christopher (*El-Gendy conflicted*)
3. 202300427 & 202400022; Arora, Manu (*Morrow conflicted*)

VI. AMERICAN MEDICAL TECHNOLOGISTS ("AMT") DENTAL ASSISTING RADIOGRAPHY ("DAR") CERTIFICATION

Board to review, discuss and take possible action on its previous decision to recognize successful passage of AMT's DAR certification examination as a qualifying route to obtaining a state certificate in dental assisting radiography pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1291.

VII. SUBSTANCE ABUSE COMMITTEE PROPOSAL

Board to review, discuss and take possible action on a submitted proposal for a substance abuse committee, including a presentation regarding the formation of a substance abuse committee.

VIII. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE

Review, discussion and possible action to appoint a new member from the recommended candidates to fill the vacancy on the Investigative Committee.

IX. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), the Board may make an open call to the public during a public meeting, subject to reasonable time, place and manner restrictions, to allow individuals to address the public body on any issue within the jurisdiction of the public body. However, members of the Board are not allowed to discuss or take legal action on matters raised during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action. The Board, however, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda.

X. ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL (“AAG”) REPORT

AAG to provide an update and/or summary on the following item(s): 202000111 and 202300444. The listed items are subject to Board review and discussion.

XI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Executive Director to provide an update and/or summary on the following items: the listed items are subject to Board discussion and may result in action by the Board.

- A. Budget Update
- B. Agency Operations
- C. Complaint Log

XII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Board to review, discuss and take possible action on proposed 2025 Arizona state legislative bills. Action may include, but is not limited to taking amended positions to support, oppose, or remain neutral; and/or delegating to the Board’s President and Vice-President the authority to work with the Board’s executive director to establish the Board’s position with respect to bill amendments and any required action to effectuate those positions on the bills listed below:

1. Dental Specific Bills
 - a. SB1037 Health boards; fund balances; fees
 - b. SB1081 S/E timelines; complaints; health boards
 - c. SB1124 Dental board; oral preventive assistants
 - d. SB1235 Health profession regulatory boards; membership
 - e. SB1335 AHCCCS; teledentistry; report
 - f. SB1347 AHCCCS; comprehensive dental care
 - g. SB1448 S/E Dentists; dental hygienists; compact
 - h. SB1527 Occupational boards; renewal extension
 - i. HB2026 Dental board; formal hearings
 - j. HB2137 Dental board; licensure; renewal
 - k. HB2173 Mental health inquiry; prohibition
 - l. HB2190 Dentists; dental hygienists; compact
 - m. HB2250 AHCCCS; preventative dental care
 - n. HB2312 Dental board; continuation
 - o. HB2828 Dental board; fingerprint card; maintenance
2. Other Impactful Bills
 - a. SB1587 Health boards; third-party contracting
 - b. HB2031 Boards and commissions; repeal
 - c. HB2061 Administrative proceedings; jury trials
 - d. HB2276 Legislative ratification; rulemaking; regulatory costs
 - e. HB2351 Health professionals; website; time limitation

- f. HB2632 Regulatory costs; rulemaking; legislative ratification
- g. HB2708 Trial by jury; regulatory proceedings
- h. HB2874 Excessive health insurance claims; notification
- i. HB2875 Health professionals; unprofessional conduct
- j. HB2927 Public meetings; records; requirements; penalties

XIII. ASSISTANCE AND ADVICE

Board to review and discuss any potential assistance and/or advice offered, including in-person offerings, related to the regulation of any of the Board's regulated communities. The Board may review, discuss and take possible action regarding the assistance or advice offered, which may include documents received prior to, or during the Board's meeting.

XIV. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

By law, the summary of current events is limited to summarizing recent occurrences. The Board cannot propose, discuss, deliberate or take legal action on any matter in the summary unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

XV. DISCUSSION REGARDING FUTURE MEETINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS

XVI. NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE

A. May 16, 2025

XVII. ADJOURNMENT