

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES
NEWARK, NEW JERSEY
MAY 1, 2019

NOTE: The Public Session was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by President Roger Kriete, DMD.

ATTENDANCE: The following members were in attendance:
Elizabeth Clemente, D.D.S.; Steven C. Cohen, D.M.D; Daniel M.
Dicesare, DMD; John E. Feeney, D.D.S.; Linda Hecker, R.D.H; Steven
Goldstein D.D.S.; Roger Kriete, D.M.D; George McMurray, D.D.S.;
Mr. Kevin Reich

OTHER ATTENDEES: Deputy Attorney General Golding and Miller; Executive Director
Jonathan Eisenmenger, Cecilia Moreira Senior Management
Assistant; Ileana Botelho, Confidential Assistant

ABSENT AND/OR EXCUSED: Ms. Nicole DeMuro; Nicholas C. DeRobertis, D.M.D.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 17, 2019

On a motion by Dr. Goldstein, seconded by Ms. Hecker, approved the minutes as written.

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Dr. Feeney reported on his attendance at the American Dental Society of Anesthesiology that took place in Santa Fe, NM from April 3-7, 2019.

III. PROPOSED REGULATION:

1. N.J.A.C. 13:30-8.24 - Animals and pets in dental setting - Review of draft regulation.
On a motion by Ms. Hecker, seconded by Dr. Feeney, the Board approved the proposed regulation for publication that would permit certain therapy dogs to be present in a dental office. This motion did not carry.

On a motion by Dr. Cohen, seconded by Dr. Feeney, the Board determined to end the effort to amend the regulation, and permit in a dental office only service dogs and animals that are in an enclosed space that cannot be accessed by patients. This motion passed 6-3 (Dr. Kriete, Dr. Goldstein and Ms. Hecker opposed the motion.)

IV. REPORTS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO N.J.A.C. 13:30-8.8:

1. Dr. Manolis Manolakakis – This matter was moved to executive session for deliberation.

2. Dr. James Salman – The Board received this as informational.
3. Dr. Jeffrey DeMilt – The Board received this as informational.
4. Dr. John Panzarino – The Board received this as informational.

Moved from Executive Session:

1. DEN-2018-07457 – Dr. Simon Oh – After reviewing the additional information received, the Board took this as informational.

V. ORDERS/SETTLEMENT LETTERS FILED WITH THE BOARD:

The following were taken as informational.

1. Dr. Bradford Jungels – Interim Consent Order filed on April 9, 2019.
2. Dr. Gregory Keiser – Consent Order of Reinstatement filed on April 17, 2019.

VI. OTHER MATTERS:

1. Correspondence from Arthur Meisel, Esq., on behalf of the New Jersey Dental Association, concerning the Board's regulation N.J.A.C. 13:30-8.4A governing the administration of injectable pharmacologics. Mr. Meisel, on behalf of a member who had received a settlement offer, questioned the limitation regarding scope of practice and the need for periodontal charting.

On a motion by Ms. Hecker, seconded by Dr. Feeney, the Board determined to sustain its current position to limit the use of injectable pharmacologics by dentists to the peri-oral region, pursuant to the regulations. The Board also affirmed its long-standing position that recognizes that oral and maxillo-facial surgeons have an expanded scope of practice based on their extensive additional training.

The Board also noted that the regulations require a dentist to conduct an appropriate exam and comprehensively assess the dental needs of the patient prior to administering, dispensing, or prescribing injectable pharmacologics N.J.A.C. 13.30-8.4A (i).

2. Information provided by Stacey Kjeldgaard, Executive Director, concerning the Ethics and Boundaries Assessment Services, LLC.

This was received as informational. The Board also requested that the Board office request a copy of their ethics examination for review at a future meeting.

3. Inquiry from Jean E. Rath, COHI Director, concerning St. Christopher's Foundation for Children mobile dental program.

(Ms. Hecker is recused in this matter.)

The Board requested that the following additional information be obtained:

- Who will provide follow-up care?
- How transportation will be provided to patient if additional care is needed?
- What are your protocols for sanitizing equipment?

This matter was also referred to the rules and regulations committee to discuss drafting regulations concerning mobile dental practices.

4. Commission on Dental Accreditation – Request for state board participation on accreditation site visit at Englewood Hospital and Medical Center. Dr. DeRobertis will be contacted to determine whether he wants to participate.
5. Article from The Atlantic entitled “The Truth About Dentistry.” This was taken as informational.
6. (Hand-out) – Executive Director Eisenmenger discussed the meeting of the Joint Commission on National Dental Exams. He indicated that the Board can participate by webinar. Dr. DeRobertis will be contacted to determine whether he wants to attend. Information will be sent to the full Board concerning the webinar.
7. Arthur Meisel, Executive Director of NJDA, discussed the use of a curing light. The Board affirmed that if it has the potential of altering, cutting, burning or damaging hard or soft tissue, it cannot be used by registered dental assistants and dental hygienists.

Mr. Meisel also questioned whether dentists can write directions for medical marijuana in connection with dental treatment. The Board noted that it would be premature to answer this question at this time.

VII. ADJOURNMENT: The Board in a motion by Dr. Goldstein, seconded by Dr. Cohen, adjourned the Public Session and moved to Executive Session for advice of counsel and review of open matters (investigations and deliberations). When and if action is taken, it will be reported in Public Session.