UNAPPROVED

BOARD OF DENTISTRY

MINUTES
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE "C"

TIME AND PLACE:	Special Conference Committee "C" convened on October 17, 2014 at 9:10 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 2nd Floor Conference Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA 23233.
PRESIDING:	James D. Watkins, D.D.S.
MEMBERS PRESENT:	Sharon W. Barnes Charles E. Gaskins, D.D.S.
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Evelyn M. Rolon, D.M.D.
STAFF PRESENT:	Kelley W. Palmatier, Deputy Executive Director Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager Shevaun Roukous, Adjudication Specialist
QUORUM:	With three members present a quorum was established.
Margo Robinson, D.D.S. **Case No.: 142113**	Dr. Robinson appeared with counsel, Thomas Wochok, to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated July 10, 2014. James M. Keeton, Jr., D.D.S, appeared as an expert witness on behalf of the Board. The Committee received statements from Dr. Robinson, Mr. Wochok, and Dr. Keeton and discussed the allegations with them.
Closed Meeting:	Ms. Barnes moved that the Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Margo Robinson. Additionally, Ms. Barnes moved that Ms. Palmatier, Ms. Lee, and Ms. Roukous attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and passed.
Reconvene:	Ms. Barnes moved that the Committee certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and passed.

DECISION:
Case No.: 142113

Ms. Roukous reported that the Committee found that Dr. Robinson failed to provide pediatric patients with sufficient amounts and types of anesthesia to achieve adequate comfort and pain control when she performed multiple and extensive dental procedures in a single visit.

Dr. Robinson treated teeth #A, S, and T of Patient A, a seven-year-old male, with pulpotomies and stainless steel crowns; seated a stainless steel crown on tooth #B; placed an amalgam restoration on tooth #30; and extracted tooth #D. Despite the fact that Patient A was in the dental chair for over an hour while Dr. Robinson treated all six teeth in a single visit, she only administered 1 carpule of Lidocaine 2% through a lower right block and upper infiltrations during the entire procedure and she stopped administering nitrous oxide to Patient A after only fifteen minutes. Dr. Robinson's treatment records reflect that she began Patient A's treatment only three minutes after she administered Lidocaine to Patient A, which is an insufficient time for the anesthetic to take effect.

Dr. Robinson treated teeth #B, I, L, and S of Patient C, a two-year old, with pulpotomies and stainless steel crowns; placed amalgam restorations on teeth #A, T, J, and K; placed a composite filling on tooth #M; and extracted teeth #C, D, E, F, G, and H. Dr. Robinson treated all fifteen teeth in a single visit, and she only administered 1 ½ carpules of Lidocaine 2% during the entire procedure and she failed to administer an inferior alveolar nerve block in conjunction with nitrous oxide to Patient C.

Dr. Robinson treated teeth #A, J, K, L, S., and T of Patient D, a four-year-old male, with pulpotomies and stainless steel crowns; treated teeth #B and I with stainless steel crowns; and placed composite resin restorations on teeth #O (MFL) and P (O). Dr. Robinson treated these ten teeth during a single visit, and administered 2 carpules of Lidocaine 2% through infiltration and mandibular blocks; however, treatment records reflect that she began treating Patient D only five minutes after she administered Lidocaine to him, which is insufficient time for the anesthetic to take effect.

Dr. Robinson placed composite resin restorations on teeth #B, D, G, H, J, and T; extracted tooth F of Patent E, a six year-old male. Although Dr. Robinson treated these seven teeth during a single visit, she only administered ¼ carpule of Lidocaine 2% through infiltration to Patient E during the entire procedure.

The Committee also found that Dr. Robinson treated numerous teeth of pediatric patients with pulpotomies and crowns, despite the fact that these treatments were diagnostically and clinically unwarranted.

Dr. Robinson treated Patient A's tooth #B with a stainless steel crown on November 9, 2011, despite the fact that x-rays taken on the same date showed that his tooth contained only small caries, which indicated this treatment was unnecessary.

Dr. Robinson treated Patient B's teeth #D and #G with stainless steel crowns on September 29, 2010, despite the fact that x-rays taken on the same date showed that teeth #D and #G only contained small caries, which indicated that these two teeth only required a two surface restoration.

Dr. Robinson treated Patient D's teeth #B and #I with unnecessary stainless steel crowns and she treated tooth #L with an unnecessary pulpotomy on April 26, 2010, as evidenced by x-rays taken on the same date which showed only small caries on teeth #L and failed to show evidence of any caries on teeth #B and #I.

The sanctions reported by Ms. Roukous were that within 6 months from the date of entry of the Order, Dr. Robinson shall successfully complete a 4 hour continuing education course in pediatric treatment to include local anesthesia; successfully complete a 4 hour continuing education course in risk management; and a 4 hour continuing education course in the fundamental of caries detection.

Dr. Gaskins moved to adopt the decision of the Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

ADJOURNMENT: With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

James D. Watkins, D.D.S., Chair

Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director

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