

APPROVED

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY
REGULATORY-LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**

June 29, 2018

Department of Health Professions

Henrico, VA 23233

- CALL TO ORDER:** Dr. Augustus A. Petticolas, Jr. called the meeting of the Regulatory-Legislative Committee to order at 10:04AM. With 8 Board members present, a quorum was established.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Augustus A. Petticolas, Jr., D.D.S., Chair
Tonya A. Parris-Wilkins, D.D.S.
Tammy C. Ridout, R.D.H.
Sandra J. Catchings, D.D.S.
James D. Watkins, D.D.S.
Carol Russek, JD
Patricia Bonwell, R.D.H., Ph.D.
John M. Alexander, D.D.S.
- STAFF PRESENT:** Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director
Sheila Beard, Executive Assistant
Elaine Yeatts, DHP Policy Analyst
- PUBLIC COMMENT:** Emily Bonovitch, VDHA – Thanked the Board for review of Guidance Documents “Practice of Dental Hygienist under Remote Supervision”, and “Administration of Topical Fluorides”, and how they align with current code and other pertinent regulation and guidelines. There were 2 questions about the content of the Remote Supervision Guidance Document, asking for 2 specific changes in #7(g) and #8.
Terry Dickenson, D.D.S., Executive Director, VDA – Supports the position of the VDHA regarding application of fluoride and the A1C screening.
Michelle McGregor, VCU Dental Hygienist – Supports the A1C screening. Requesting dental hygienist to be included as well since students are trained for this. The process is a screening not a diagnosis.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Ms. Ridout moved to accept the minutes of March 8, 2018 as written. The motion was seconded and passed.

LEGISLATION AND REGULATORY

Ms. Yeatts informed the Committee that all regulatory actions are still pending in the Governor’s office. Also in the governor’s office are the proposed regulations, replacing the emergency regulations for opioid prescribing. The proposed 60-day comment period will take place between 7/9/2018 and 9/7/2018. A public hearing is forthcoming.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSIONS:

A1C Test and Diabetes -

At the June 8, 2018 Board meeting, Dr. Alexander referred to the Regulatory-Legislative Committee for review. Identified by Ms. Ridout as a topic of discussion while attending the 2018 Southern Conference of Dental Deans and Examiners Conference, the committee will review if action is required to allow dentist and dental hygienist to perform skin pricks. Based off prior discussion with Board Council, the code would require amendment for dentistry in order to reflect A1C. The Committee was in favor of the amendment and will discuss with Board Council first, providing research on A1C and how it aids in the profession of dentistry.

Guidance Documents -

The committee discussed the following Guidance Documents:

- **60-12 Administration of Topical Oral Fluorides by Dental Hygienists Under Standards adopted by the Virginia Department of Health –** This Guidance document has been identified for the committee to consider revision, re-adoption, or withdrawal. Ms. Ridout made the motion to strike guidance document 60-12. The motion was seconded and passed.
- **60-13 Practice of a Dental Hygienist under Remote Supervision-** The committee discussed, under remote supervision dental hygienist cannot possess and administer topical anesthetics, antimicrobial agents or any other Schedule VI topical drug. A motion was made by Ms. Ridout to add “or remote” supervision to 54.1-3408(J) and to add other items under (J) to 54.1-2722 F(g). The motion was seconded and passed. The committee moved to allow the Executive Director to advance for code changes. Ms. Ridout made a motion to accept changes in guidance document 60-13. The motion was seconded and passed; opposed by Dr. Catchings.

- **60-17 Recovery of Disciplinary Costs** – in response to Dr. Brown’s concern about the Board’s policy on disciplinary cost recovery, the committee was to consider the options of eliminating or reducing such costs or reducing the costs for dental hygienist and make a recommendation the Board. A motion was made by Dr. Watkins to recommend to the Board to dismiss costs for first time offenders and recover cost for repeat offenders. Additionally, suggesting cost of \$5,000.00 for dentist and maximum allowance of \$1,2500.00 for dental hygienist. The motion was seconded and passed.
- **60-19 Dental Laboratory Subcontractor Work Order Form** – Ms. Reen informed the Board after review of this document, she recommends to re-adopt the form. There is no license number associated with the subcontractor form; therefore, the form presented is the correct form for use. Ms. Ridout made a motion to recommend that the Board re-adopt the guidance as is. The motion was seconded and passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

With all business concluded, Dr. Petticolas adjourned the meeting at 11:58AM.


Augustus A. Petticolas, Jr., D.D.S., Chair


Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director

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