



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
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**DENTAL QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMISSION
BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA
Friday, March 11, 2022**

MEMBERS PRESENT

David Carsten, DDS, Chair
Lyle McClellan, DDS, Vice-Chair
Aaron C. Stevens, DMD
Ronald Marsh, DDS
Kathleen Elling, EFDA
Sonia Pal, DMD
Tiffany Bass, DDS
Karen Clements, DDS
Marlynne Fulton, Public Member
McKinley Rainey, Public Member
Miryam Nossa, EFDA
Samantha Kofler, DDS

MEMBERS ABSENT

Kunal Walia, DDS
Julia Richman, DDS
Abhishake Banda, DMD, MD
Joy McDaniel, DMD

STAFF PRESENT

Trina Crawford, Executive Director
Bruce Bronoske, Jr., Program Manager
Heather Carter, Assistant Attorney General
Bill Kellington, Supervising Staff Attorney
Madissen Schatz, Administrative Assistant

OPEN SESSION:

OPEN SESSION- 8:30 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER – Dr. David Carsten, D.D.S., Chairperson

- 1.1. Introduction of commission members and staff – Mr. Bronoske introduced commission members and staff.
- 1.2. Approval of agenda – Dr. Marsh moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and adopted.
- 1.3. Approval of the January 21, 2022 business meeting minutes – ? moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and adopted.

2. CENTRAL REGIONAL DENTAL TESTING SERVICE, INC (CRDTS)

- 2.1. Richael Cobler, CRDTS Executive Director and Dr. Mark Edwards, CRDTS Director of Dental Examinations presented information regarding updates to the CRDTS dental examination and other CRDTS topics of interest.
- 2.2. Dr. McClellan will observe a demonstration of haptic technology and simulated workstations at the CRDTS Topeka, Kansas facility in June. He will then report his findings to the commission.
- 2.3. Dr. McClellan moved to deny the rules petition to change the term mannequin to simulated patient experience because the requested change is not in the rule and can be made informally. Dr. McClellan moved to accept the terminology change. The motion was seconded and adopted.

3. RULES

- 3.1. [WAC 246-817-581](#) Novel coronavirus disease 2019 vaccination CR-103E was withdrawn on January 21, 2022 as WSR #22-04-009
- 3.2. [WAC 246-817-195](#) License require requirements for expanded functions dental auxiliaries. CR-101 was withdrawn on February 22, 2022 as WSR #22-06-022.

4. DENTAL ANESTHESIA COMMITTEE- Dr. Marsh

- 4.1. The commission moved to approve the proposed rule language for [WAC 246-817-701 - 790](#), Administration of Anesthetic Agents for Dental Procedures. The motion was seconded and adopted.

5. OTHER

- 5.1. Dental Quality Assurance Commission name change discussion – Dr. Marsh and Dr. Carsten
- 5.2. Dr. Marsh moved to accept the proposal that the commission request a name change from the Dental Quality Assurance Commission to the Washington Dental Commission. The motion was seconded and adopted.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

- 6.1. The commission discussed an email dated December 15, 2021 from Dr. Joshua L. Taff regarding practice locations as noted in [RCW 18.32.190](#). The commission will refer this inquiry to the Educational Outreach Committee to discuss further action.
- 6.2. The commission discussed an informational email dated January 16, 2022 from Dr. Victor Barry regarding dental unit water line testing.

- 6.3. The commission discussed a follow-up letter dated January 27, 2022 from Dr. George K. Merijohn regarding the commission’s decision not to open rules for dental unit water line testing.

The commission will not make any changes to the rule at this time due to having just been established.

- 6.4. The commission will discuss a letter dated January 28, 2022 from Emily Lovell, Director of Government Affairs at the Washington State Dental Association regarding infection prevention training frequency as required in WAC 246-817-615.

Mr. Bronoske will update the Frequently Asked Questions section on the commission’s website to clarify the term “annually,” as stated in WAC 246-817-615.

7. PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

- 7.1. DOCS Education:

The commission tabled DOC’s request, allowing Kathleen Marcus, J.D., DOCS, to seek clarification.

8. PROGRAM REPORT

- 8.1. Program Staffing Changes Update – Bruce Bronoske, Jr.

Becky McElhiney and Jennifer Santiago were promoted to new positions within the department, leaving the positions of assistant program manager and program manager vacant. The department is actively recruiting and interviewing candidates.

- 8.2. Preventing Transmission of COVID-19 in Dental Offices – Bruce Bronoske, Jr.
The Environmental Public Health Office created a brochure that was distributed through GovDelivery.

Discipline process improvement – Trina Crawford, Executive Director and Bill Kellington, Supervising Staff Attorney discussed improvements in the way agreed orders and stipulations to informal disposition will be processed.

Dr. Marsh moved to approve the presentation of agreed orders and stipulations to information dispositions during Friday panel calls.

This would be subject to the following limitations:

Time- If presentation of orders and stipulations would cause the meeting to run long, presentations will be moved to the following week.

Panel- Order and stipulations to information dispositions will not be scheduled for presentation to a Friday call panel if the original authorizing panel consisted of the same members.

The motion was seconded and adopted.

9. ADJOURN

The commission adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Submitted by:

Bruce Bronoske, Jr., Program Manager
Dental Quality Assurance Commission

Approved by:

David Carsten, DDS, Chair
Dental Quality Assurance Commission

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