

IDAHO BOARD OF DENTISTRY NEWSLETTER



Message from outgoing Board Member, Jan Simpson.

As my tenure on the ISBD draws to a close, I want to reflect on a few things, and address the dental community whom I have served for the last ten years. Serving on the ISBD has been one of the best experiences for me in both my professional and my private life. I have had the opportunity to work with twenty different dentists, hygienists, and consumer members over the years. I deliberated and voted on many complaints and other issues relevant to the Board. I became a WREB examiner and I served on the WREB dental hygiene board. I influenced Board policy, statutes and rules. I spent forty weekends in meetings. I learned to appreciate and respect other opinions, I learned to agree to disagree, I learned that compromise is a good thing; I learned that direct communication is essential to accomplishing anything. Most importantly, I learned that serving on the Board was a great opportunity for me to interact and work collegially with all of the people who make up our dental community.

The last ten years has also afforded me the opportunity to work with Susan Miller, first as the administrative assistant to the executive director, and in the last several years as the executive director. Susan's knowledge of all things related to the Board of Dentistry never ceases to amaze me. She directs the Board in a progressive and collaborative way and she is always willing to take on whatever we throw her way. In talking with other people and their Board experiences, I am convinced that we have one of the best executive directors in the country! Thank you Susan for everything you do for us, you make it so much easier. Susan's staff; Stephanie Seal as administrative assistant, and Julie Morgan as office support, rounds out the perfect team.

I encourage any and all of you who are interested in serving on the ISBD to make it a professional goal. It is an experience you will never regret.

Jan Simpson, RDH

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OVERVIEW OF THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

The Idaho Board of Dentistry is governed by the State of Idaho and is a separate and distinct entity from any professional association. The mission of the Board is to assure the public health, safety and welfare in the state of Idaho by the licensure and regulation of dentists and dental hygienists. The Board is self-supporting whose funding is primarily derived from the collection of application and licensing fees. The Board does not receive any general fund monies.

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2014 Meeting Schedule

January 31-February 1 (Boise)

April 25-26 (Boise)

July 18-19 (location TBD)

October 24-25 (Boise)

New Electronic Processes Coming in 2014

The Board of Dentistry transitioned to a new licensing system in July and several system enhancements are in the works for 2014.

A new electronic payment system is planned for 2014 as well as an online renewal application process – just in time for the dental license renewal cycle in September 2014! Once these enhancements are in place, we will launch additional features such as online address changes and automated license verifications. These new technologies will improve operational efficiency and cost effectiveness of core business processes while providing licensees and the public with improved customer service and increased access to information.



Performance Highlights:

The Board received an appropriation in FY2013 to purchase new licensing software which was developed and launched on July 1, 2013. The web-based software will allow for online renewals as well as provide many self-service options for licensees. Other future enhancements are planned including online license applications.

In FY2013 the Board conducted a comprehensive review of the Idaho Dental Practice Act and the administrative rules in order to identify appropriate changes to licensing and regulatory standards for dental professionals consistent with the protection of the public health, safety and welfare. This was a collaborative effort which included input from the Idaho State Dental Association, the Idaho Dental Hygienists' Association, as well as other interested parties. Legislation proposing amendments to ten statutes will be introduced in 2014. Negotiated rulemaking was conducted which included proposed revisions to twenty sections of rule. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was published December 4, 2013. The revisions will undergo final review by the 2014 Legislature.

In FY2013 the Board began a comprehensive assessment of regional didactic and clinical examinations to assure that applicants' skills, fitness and ability to safely and competently practice dentistry or dental hygiene are adequately tested. The assessment process will be concluded in early FY2014 and policy revisions may be considered depending on the assessment results.

The Board of Dentistry has continued to refine its policies regarding complaint processing in order to effectively manage resources needed for an increased number of complaints requiring enforcement action.

Profile of Board Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided

	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Initial Licenses Issued:				
Dentists	84	66	67	61
Dental Hygienists	<u>128</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>121</u>
Total	212	166	187	182
Professional Licenses Renewed:				
Dentists	Biennial Cycle	1,539	Biennial Cycle	1,457
Dental Hygienists		<u>1,574</u>		<u>1,667</u>
Total		3,113		3,124
Sedation Permits:				
New Permits	16	20	12	10
Permits Renewed	42	35	53	45
Evaluations Conducted	19	31	31	66
Dental Offices Inspected:	51	0	74	86
Patient Complaints Received (Written):	116	57	43	64
Complaints Investigated/Reviewed by Board of Dentistry (Action Taken):	53	45	40	61
Board Orders (Data Not Compiled for Prior Years)				23
Administrative Hearings Conducted:	2	1	1	7

Prescription Drug Abuse in Idaho

House concurrent resolution 6 was passed by the Idaho legislature on March 11, 2013. The resolution *“calls for the Idaho Boards of Medicine, Nursing, Dentistry and Pharmacy, working with the Office of Drug Policy, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, local governments, local law enforcement and prosecutors, and professional associations throughout Idaho to use the Board of Pharmacy's Prescription Monitoring Program and best practices in order to increase awareness and prevent and treat prescription drug abuse for the people of Idaho and calling for the Office of Drug Policy to coordinate the development of a state response to the problem of prescription drug abuse.”*

Every prescriber has a professional responsibility to utilize available resources to help combat this problem. The Board of Pharmacy's Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) is available 24/7 and you are urged to access the system before prescribing controlled substances to patients. To request login access to this application please contact pmp@bop.idaho.gov

The following PMP information is provided by the Idaho Board of Pharmacy.

PMP Advancements

- In 2008 the PMP went online 24/7
- Board of Pharmacy rule 204 allows only pharmacists and prescribers online access
- As of 7/1/11, pharmacist access allowed when “providing pharmaceutical care”, not just filling prescriptions
- As of 7/1/12, the Board of Pharmacy may release unsolicited information to pharmacists and prescribers
- As of 7/1/13, prescribers and pharmacists may share pertinent PMP data with each other.

PMP Unsolicited Reports

- Each month the Board of Pharmacy sends a cover letter and a patient history to each prescriber who prescribed to a patient that was also prescribed by at least 5 prescribers that month.
- In 2013, the average number of letters sent per month was 377 and an average of 329 prescribers received letters each month.
- Initial baseline: 65% of prescribers who received an unsolicited report were registered for online PMP access. This increased to 82%.
- Initial baseline: 9% of prescribers who received an unsolicited report checked the PMP prior to prescribing and still prescribed. This has increased to 18%.



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PMP Registration & Usage

-38% of prescribers are currently registered to use the online PMP.

-At the end of May 2013, the Board of Pharmacy mailed a letter to all prescribers encouraging PMP use, signed by several agencies, boards (including Board of Dentistry), associations, legislators, etc.

-Monthly number of new online PMP users (2 year average): 64. Four month average since mailing: 128

-% of unsolicited reports received by profession in 2013:

Physicians: 62%

Physician assistants: 18%

Dentists: 9%

Advanced Practice Nurses: 10%

Podiatrists and Optometrists: 1%

Potential Future Legislation

-Mandatory PMP online registration with each Controlled Substance registration: expected to be run in 2014 by Idaho's Office of Drug Policy. Thirteen states have a similar requirement.



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: Licensed dentists and dental hygienists shall notify the board in writing of any change in the person's
: name or address of record within thirty (30) days after the change has taken place. Please mail this
: form to:

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: **Idaho State Board of Dentistry, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0021.**
: **Fax to 208-334-3247 or Email to sbdinfo@isbd.idaho.gov.**

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: Name (last, first, middle): _____

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: Old Name (if applicable): _____

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: Old Address: _____

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: City/State/Zip _____

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: New address (if applicable): _____

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: City/State/Zip _____
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PROGRAM FOR RECOVERING DENTAL PROFESSIONALS

Southworth Associates, LLC administers the Board of Dentistry's Program for Recovering Dental Professionals (PRDP). As of 9/30/13, there were 13 active dental professional clients/cases in the PRDP program.

About the Program –

The Idaho Program for Recovering Dental Professionals (PRDP) is set up to help and support dentists and dental hygienists who are experiencing problems associated with alcohol and/or drug use. The program also focuses on educating dental professionals and their family and friends about the causes, effects and treatment of alcohol and drug dependency.

Services Provided –

24 hour phone calls, all calls are confidential.

Guidance for the impaired dental professional or referral sources.

Education.

Interventions.

Correspondence and coordination with treatment centers, family members, counselors, and other parties involved.

After-care program and monitoring.

If you are concerned about –

Your own use of alcohol or other drugs...

The use of alcohol or drugs by a colleague...

A fellow dentist or dental hygienist who you see is affected by the use of alcohol or other drugs...

A family member's use of alcohol or other drugs...

....Contact the PRDP for assistance.

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CAD/CAM ADVISORY STATEMENT

Rev. 11/5/13

At their October 18-19, 2013 meeting, the Idaho State Board of Dentistry further considered their April, 2013 advisory statement regarding dental assistant use of CAD/CAM technology. Considering the current provisions for dental assistant and dental hygiene practice found at IDAPA 19.01.01.031.c and 19.01.01.035.092.b, the Board concluded that digital imaging of the final prep would be considered a final impression and is therefore prohibited under current rules.

The Board considered the design and milling segment of crown fabrication using CAD/CAM technology and determined this would not be prohibited under Board rules. To further clarify practice standards, the Board has proposed the following additional revisions to the dental hygiene and dental assistant rules of practice. Pertinent sections of rule are copied below; it is proposed to add the word “intraoral” as indicated below. Amendments to administrative rules will be reviewed by the 2014 legislature and if approved, become effective upon the date of legislative adjournment.

031. DENTAL HYGIENISTS - PROHIBITED PRACTICE (RULE 31).

Subject to the provisions of the Dental Practice Act, Chapter 9, Title 54, Idaho Code, and these rules, a dental hygienist may not perform certain specified duties. (4-6-05)

01. Prohibited Duties. A dental hygienist is prohibited from performing the duties specified below: (4-6-05)

a. Definitive diagnosis and dental treatment planning; (4-6-05)

b. The operative preparation of teeth for the placement of restorative materials;(4-6-05)

c. The intraoral placement or carving of restorative materials unless authorized by issuance of an extended access restorative license endorsement; (3-29-12)

035. DENTAL ASSISTANTS – PROHIBITED PRACTICE (RULE 035)

02. Prohibited Duties. Subject to other applicable provisions of these rules and of the Act, dental assistants are hereby prohibited from performing any of the activities specified below: (7-1-93)

a. Definitive diagnosis and treatment planning. (4-6-05)

The intraoral placement or carving of permanent restorative materials ~~in any manner~~.

Questions regarding this statement may be directed to the Board of Dentistry’s office at sbdinfo@isbd.idaho.gov or by calling (208) 334-2369.



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