



NEWS FROM THE Idaho State Board of DENTISTRY

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The purpose of the Idaho State Board of Dentistry is to assure the public health, safety and welfare in Idaho by the licensure and regulation of dentists and dental hygienists.

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OUTGOING CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

by *Geffrey W. Thompson, DMD*

While I find it hard to believe, my five year term on the Board of Dentistry will shortly come to an end. In retrospect, I feel privileged to have served the dental professions and the public as a member of the Board and in having had the opportunity to work with a number of outstanding dentists, dental hygienists and consumer members who likewise served on the Board during my tenure. I commend every dentist, dental hygienist and consumer member who over time has unselfishly taken on the obligations and responsibilities associated with membership on the Board of Dentistry. For those of you in the dental professions who may be interested in serving on the Board at some point in the future, I can assure you that you will enjoy and greatly benefit from the experience.

As a Board member, I quickly learned that the Board of Dentistry does not conduct its business in a vacuum. While the overriding framework in which the Board of Dentistry operates is that of assuring the public's health, safety and welfare, Idaho's dentists, dental hygienists and dental assistants regularly interact with the Board of Dentistry to advocate for changes to the practice standards. On many occasions that interaction takes the form of Board members meeting with interested parties to discuss proposals. In that regard, I'm reminded of one memorable occasion that occurred early in my tenure as a Board member.

The Board members were traveling the state to meet with the dental components and discuss proposed statute and rule changes to permit dental hygienists to administer local anesthetic under general supervision and to create a dental hygiene extended access license endorsement. I agreed to speak to the members of my dental component in the hopes they could be persuaded to support the proposals. Because I expected a mixed reaction to my talk, I spent considerable mental exertion in attempting to formulate just the precise words to convince my fellow dentists of the propriety of the Board's proposals. Unfortunately, inspiration did not come knocking on my door. The day of the meeting arrived (which happened to be about the time of the Martin Luther King Holiday) and, as luck would have it, Dr. King's famous "I had a dream" speech was on the radio as I drove to the meeting. To make a long story short, I incorporated Dr. King's famous words into my talk (apparently on repeated occasions) and, aside from a fairly audible groan from the Board's executive director (Mike Sheeley), things went swimmingly. I sensed that Mike felt my choice of quotes was comparable to wearing a tuxedo to a back yard Bar-B-Q...just a little excessive for the occasion. Well, the deed was done and the Board's proposals were subsequently enacted by the Idaho Legislature.

So now as I look back at my Board of Dentistry experience and contemplate the Board's future, I think of the one "thing", the common theme, that is involved in everything the Board has done and will continue to address. The ever present challenge the Board continually contends with can be identified and defined with one word - Education.

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How much training should our expanded functions team members be required to have? How much continuing education is required to safely provide sedation for our patients? What clinical skills should be examined on the WREB test? If a dental professional compromises the standard of care, how much training should the Board require for that dentist to keep their license? In so many situations, the ultimate consideration is that of how much and what type of education is required to protect the safety and welfare of the public.

The people of Idaho look to the Board to provide them with an umbrella of protection. They assume when they receive dental care that every member of the dental team is well trained and competent. So what is the minimum level of training and education necessary to assure public safety? Perhaps that is a question with no answer or that its attainment is nothing more than the impossible dream.

If I were to hope for anything for the future of the dental professions, it would be that all members of the dental team accept and embrace the ongoing need for continuing education and growth and to do so with the level of enthusiasm that so many of you already do. We should recognize that all of us engaged in dentistry are teachers and students simultaneously. We daily educate our patients and other members of the dental team and share our knowledge with our colleagues, whether through formal meetings, presentations, study clubs or our professional organizations. The point is this, if we learn and share our knowledge, we grow as a community and everyone benefits.

I am firmly convinced that although there may be a beginning to dreams and education, there should be no end...to either.

I want to conclude by thanking all my colleagues for allowing me to participate as a Board member. My respect and appreciation for Mike Sheeley and Susan Miller and the Board members that preceded me is huge and cannot be overstated. I leave my position on the Board knowing that those that follow are amazingly competent and committed. If I were to pass on any advice or words of wisdom, perhaps these of Theodore Roosevelt might be appropriate:

"Far and away the best prize that life offers is the chance to work hard at work worth doing"

Dream On

(Dr. Geoffrey Thompson, a dentist practicing in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, was appointed to the Board of Dentistry in 2002 and will conclude his five (5) year appointment in February of 2007.)

PROPOSED STATUTE AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULE CHANGES

This newsletter contains those revisions to the Idaho Dental Practice Act (Chapter 54, Title 9, Idaho Code) and the Administrative Rules of the Board of Dentistry that the Board of Dentistry has submitted for review by the 2007 Idaho Legislature. Some of the proposed revisions were necessitated by the fact that existing statutes and administrative rules have become outdated, inadequate or ineffectual over the course of time. Other proposed revisions resulted from recommendations received by the Board of Dentistry from interested parties. All of the substantive revisions have been extensively reviewed and discussed by the members of the Board of Dentistry, provided to the professional organizations for review and, in the case of administrative rules, published to facilitate public review and comment. If these proposals are favorably received by the Idaho Legislature, they will become effective following the date of adjournment of the legislature (administrative rules) or as of July 1, 2007 (statutes).

The full text of the proposed statute and administrative rule changes are included in this newsletter. In summary, the proposed statute and rule changes are intended to accomplish the following:

- Revise existing statutes to define the term "conviction" and to provide that conviction of a felony criminal offense or certain misdemeanor offenses may result in disciplinary action against a license; (See, [Proposal A-1](#) below)
- Revise an existing statute to clarify the standards for the naming of a dental practice, to specify the forms of business in which a dental practice may be conducted and to specify that a dental practice must be owned by dentists; (See, [Proposal A-2](#) below)
- Revise an existing statute to authorize retired dental hygienists to qualify for and be issued a volunteer dental hygienist's license in order to provide volunteer dental hygiene treatment in extended access oral health care programs; (See, [Proposal A-3](#) below)
- Revise an existing administrative rule to provide the new address of the Board of Dentistry's office; (See, [Proposal B-1](#) below)
- Revise existing administrative rules to implement the biennial licensing statutes enacted by the 2006 Idaho Legislature; (See, [Proposal B-2](#) below)
- Revise an existing administrative rule to authorize qualified dental hygienists to obtain a license endorsement in order to provide specified restorative treatment to patients in extended access oral health care settings; (See, [Proposal B-3](#) below)
- Revise an existing administrative rule to provide that disciplinary action may be taken against a license for violation of a law, rule or regulation affecting the practice of dentistry. (See, [Proposal B-4](#) below)

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The Board of Dentistry's proposed statute and rule changes are as follows: **(only the affected statute or rule subsections are included with substantive changes being signified by underline)**

PART A - BOARD OF DENTISTRY'S PROPOSED STATUTE CHANGES – IDAHO DENTAL PRACTICE ACT
(CHAPTER 9, TITLE 54, IDAHO CODE)

PROPOSAL A-1

54-903. General definitions. As used in this chapter:

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(3) "Conviction" or "Convicted" means a finding of guilt by a judge or jury, an entry of a guilty plea by a defendant and its acceptance by the court, a forfeiture of bail bond or collateral deposited to secure a defendant's appearance, a judgment of conviction, a suspended sentence, probation, or a withheld judgment.

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54-923. Revocation for convictions of crime. A certificate or other evidence of qualification and right to practice dentistry, a dental specialty or dental hygiene, and a license, may be revoked by the board whenever it shall be shown to the board that the holder of such certificate or other evidence of qualification, right to practice or license has been convicted of a felony, or of a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, whether such conviction shall have occurred before or after qualification, or accrual of such right, or the issuance of such certificate or other evidence of qualification, or of such license.

PROPOSAL A-2

54-924. Other grounds of refusal, revocation or suspension of dentists -- Probation agreements. The board may refuse to issue or renew a dental license, or may revoke, suspend, place on probation, reprimand or take other disciplinary action with respect to a dental license as the board may deem proper, including administrative penalties not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) per violation and assessment of the costs of disciplinary proceedings in the event a dentist shall:

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(2) Practice dentistry under any name other than his own true name except as authorized by the provisions of the professional service corporation act, Idaho business corporation act, Idaho limited partnership act, Idaho limited liability company act, the assumed business names act of 1997, or other applicable statutory provision; or

(3) Practice or in any manner or by any means or at any place hold out or represent himself as practicing dentistry in or under the name of, or as a member, representative, agent or employee of, or in connection with, any company, association, or corporation, or under any trade, fictitious or business name except as a sole proprietorship or as authorized by the provisions of the professional service corporation act, Idaho business corporation act, Idaho limited partnership act, Idaho limited liability company act, or other applicable statutory provision. Regardless of the form of business entity conducted by a dentist, no person who is not duly licensed to practice dentistry in this state shall have an ownership interest in any business entity engaged in the practice of dentistry;

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PROPOSAL A-3

54-935. Volunteer's license -- Qualifications -- Permissible practice -- Immunity from liability. (1) Upon application and qualification, the board may issue, without examination, a volunteer's license to a dentist or dental hygienist who is retired from the active practice of dentistry or dental hygiene to enable the retired dentist or dental hygienist to provide dental and dental hygiene services at specified locations to persons who, due to age, infirmity, handicap, indigence or disability, are unable to receive regular dental treatment.

(2) For purposes of this section, a dentist or dental hygienist previously holding a dental or dental hygiene license with active status in Idaho or another state shall be considered to be retired if, prior to the date of application for a volunteer's license, he has surrendered or allowed his license with active status to expire with the intention of ceasing to actively practice as a dentist or dental hygienist for remuneration, he has converted his license with active status to a license with inactive status with the intention of ceasing to actively practice as a dentist or dental hygienist

to a license with retirement or similar status that proscribed the active practice of dentistry or dental hygiene. A dentist or dental hygienist whose dental or dental hygiene license had been restricted, suspended, revoked, surrendered, resigned, converted, or allowed to lapse or expire as the result of disciplinary action or in lieu of disciplinary action being taken shall not be eligible for a volunteer's license.

(3) An application for a volunteer's license shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(a) Verification of graduation from a dental or dental hygiene school accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association as of the date of the applicant's graduation;

(b) Verification from each state board in which the applicant was licensed that the applicant maintained his dental or dental hygiene license in good standing without disciplinary action that restricted the applicant's license or resulted in the applicant's license being placed on probation, suspended, revoked or being surrendered, resigned or otherwise allowed to lapse or expire in lieu of disciplinary action;

(c) Verification that the applicant held a dental or dental hygiene license in good standing in Idaho or another state as of the date upon which the dentist or dental hygienist became retired;

(d) Verification that the applicant held an active status dental or dental hygiene license in good standing in Idaho or another state within five (5) years of the date of application for a volunteer's license, provided, that the board may waive the five (5) year requirement in the event that the applicant demonstrates he possesses the knowledge and skills requisite to the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene by successfully completing such examinations as are required by the board; and

(e) A notarized statement from the applicant on a form prescribed by the board, that the applicant will not provide any dental or dental hygiene services to any person or at any location other than as permitted by this section and that the applicant will not accept any amount or form of remuneration, other than as reimbursement for the amount of actual expenses incurred as a volunteer dentist or dental hygienist, for any dental or dental hygiene services provided under the authority of a volunteer's license.

4) For purposes of this section, the specified locations at which a dentist or dental hygienist holding a volunteer's license may provide dental or dental hygiene services shall be limited to the premises or sites of extended access oral health care programs. The dental services provided at an extended access oral health care program by a dentist holding a volunteer's license shall not require or include the administration of general anesthesia or conscious sedation to a patient unless otherwise specifically approved in advance by the board.

(5) A volunteer's license shall be valid for that period specified for dentists and dental hygienists in section 54-920, Idaho Code, and may be renewed upon application of the licensee unless the license has been revoked in accordance with this section. The board shall maintain a register of all dentists and dental hygienists who hold a volunteer's license. The board shall not charge an application or licensing fee for issuing or renewing a volunteer's license. A volunteer's license cannot be converted to a license with active, inactive, provisional or special status.

(6) The board may revoke a volunteer's license upon receiving proof satisfactory to the board that the holder of a volunteer's license provided dental or dental hygiene services outside the permissible scope of the volunteer's license or that grounds existed for enforcement or disciplinary action against the holder of a volunteer's license under other sections of this chapter or the administrative rules promulgated under this chapter.

(7) When practicing dentistry or dental hygiene within the permissible scope of a volunteer's license, the holder of a volunteer's license issued pursuant to this section shall be immune from liability for any civil action arising out of the provision of volunteer dental services. This section does not provide or extend immunity to a holder of a volunteer's license for any acts or omissions constituting negligence.

PART B - ADMINISTRATIVE RULE CHANGES – RULES OF THE IDAHO BOARD OF DENTISTRY (IDAPA 19.01.01)

PROPOSAL B-1

5. OFFICE INFORMATION (Rule 5). The Board of Dentistry office is located at **350 North 9th Street, Suite M-100, Boise, Idaho**. The mailing address is **P.O. Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0021**. The telephone number of the Board is **(208) 334-2369**, the fax number is **(208) 334-3247**.

PROPOSAL B-2

012. LICENSE AND APPLICATION FEES (RULE 12).

The license fees and application fees shall be as follows:

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03. Biennial License Fees For Dentists:

- a.** Active -- three hundred dollars (\$300).
- b.** Inactive -- one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150).
- c.** Specialty -- three hundred dollars(\$300).

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04. Biennial License Fees For Hygienists:

- a. Active -- one hundred and forty dollars (\$140).
- b. Inactive -- eighty dollars (\$80).

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013. FEES -- GENERAL (RULE 13).

A license shall not be issued or renewed unless the fee is paid. Application fees are not refunded. License fees shall be prorated from date of licensure to the next biennial renewal date.

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029. DENTAL HYGIENISTS - LICENSE ENDORSEMENTS (RULE 29).

Subject to the provisions of the Dental Practice Act, Chapter 9, Title 54, Idaho Code, and these rules, the Board may grant license endorsements to qualified dental hygienists as follows:

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04. Renewal. Upon payment of the appropriate license fee and completion of required continuing education credits specified for a dental hygiene license endorsement, a person meeting all other requirements for renewal of a license to practice dental hygiene shall also be entitled to renewal of a dental hygiene license endorsement for the effective period of the license. An endorsement shall immediately expire and be cancelled at such time as a person no longer holds an unrestricted active status dental hygienist's license issued by the Board or upon a person's failure to complete the required continuing education credits.

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050. CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR DENTISTS (RULE 50).

Effective October 1994, renewal of any active dental license will require evidence of completion of continuing education or volunteer dental practice that meets the following requirements.

01. Requirements:

- a. All active dentists must hold a current CPR card.
- b. All active dentists shall acquire thirty (30) credits of continuing education in each biennial renewal period. One (1) credit is defined as one (1) hour of instruction.
- c. Continuing education must be oral health/health-related for the professional development of a dentist. The thirty (30) credits shall be obtained through continuing education courses, correspondence courses, college credit courses, and viewing of videotape or listening to other media devoted to dental education.
- d. A dentist holding an active status license issued by the Board shall be allowed one (1) credit of continuing education for every two (2) hours of verified volunteer dental practice performed during the biennial renewal period up to a maximum of ten (10) credits.
- e. Any person who is licensed as an active status dentist during any biennial licensing period shall be required at the time of the next successive renewal period to report a prorated amount of continuing education credits as specified by the Board.

02. Documentation. In conjunction with license renewal, the dentist shall provide a list of continuing education credits obtained and verification of hours of volunteer dental practice performed and certify that the minimum requirements were completed in the biennial licensing period.

051. CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR DENTAL HYGIENISTS (RULE 51).

Effective April 1994, renewal of any active dental hygiene license or dental hygiene license endorsement will require evidence of completion of continuing education or volunteer dental hygiene practice that meets the following requirements.

01. Requirements For Renewal Of An Active Status Dental Hygiene License:

- a. All active dental hygienists must hold a current CPR card.
- b. All active dental hygienists shall acquire twenty-four (24) credits of continuing education in each biennial renewal period. One (1) credit is defined as one (1) hour of instruction.
- c. Continuing education must be oral health/health-related education for the professional development of a dental hygienist. The twenty-four (24) credits shall be obtained through continuing education courses, correspondence courses, college credit courses, viewing of videotape or listening to other media devoted to dental hygiene education.
- d. A dental hygienist holding an active status license issued by the Board shall be allowed one (1) credit of continuing education for every two (2) hours of verified volunteer dental hygiene practice performed during the biennial renewal period up to a maximum of ten (10) credits.

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e. Any person who is licensed as a dental hygienist during any biennial licensing period shall be required at the time of the next successive renewal period to report a prorated amount of continuing education credits as specified by the Board.

02. Requirements For Renewal Of An Extended Access Dental Hygiene License Endorsement. In addition to any other continuing education requirements for renewal of a dental hygiene license, a person granted an extended access dental hygiene license endorsement shall complete twelve (12) credits of continuing education in each biennial renewal period in the specific practice areas of medical emergencies, local anesthesia, oral pathology, care and treatment of geriatric, medically compromised or disabled patients and treatment of children. Any person who is issued an extended access dental hygiene license endorsement during any biennial licensing period shall be required at the time of the next renewal period to report a prorated amount of the continuing education credits required under this section as specified by the Board.

03. Documentation. In conjunction with license and endorsement renewal, the dental hygienist shall provide a list of continuing education credits obtained and verification of hours of volunteer dental hygiene practice performed and certify that the minimum requirements were completed in the biennial license period.

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PROPOSAL B-3

029. DENTAL HYGIENISTS - LICENSE ENDORSEMENTS (RULE 29).

Subject to the provisions of the Dental Practice Act, Chapter 9, Title 54, Idaho Code, and these rules, the Board may grant license endorsements to qualified dental hygienists as follows:

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02. Extended Access Dental Hygiene Restorative Endorsement. Notwithstanding any other provision of these rules, a qualified dental hygienist holding an extended access dental hygiene restorative endorsement may perform specified restorative functions under the direct supervision of a dentist in an extended access oral health care program. Permissible restorative functions under this endorsement shall be limited to the placement of a restoration into a tooth prepared by a dentist and the carving, contouring and adjustment of the contacts and occlusion of the restoration. Upon application, the Board may grant an extended access dental hygiene restorative endorsement to a person holding an unrestricted active status dental hygienist's license issued by the Board who provides satisfactory proof that the following requirements are met:

a. The person has successfully completed the Western Regional Examining Board's restorative examination or an equivalent restorative examination approved by the Board; or

b. The person holds an equivalent restorative permit in another state as of the date of endorsement application which required successful completion of the Western Regional Examining Board's restorative examination or an equivalent restorative examination approved by the Board for its issuance; and

c. The person has not been disciplined by the Board or another licensing authority upon grounds that bear a demonstrable relationship to the ability of the dental hygienist to safely and competently practice under in an extended access oral health care program.

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PROPOSAL B-4

040. UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT (Rule 40).

A dentist or hygienist shall not engage in unprofessional conduct in the course of his practice. Unprofessional conduct by a person licensed under the provisions of Title 54, Chapter 9, Idaho Code, is defined as, but not limited to, one (1) of the following:

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18. Legal Compliance. Failure to comply with any provisions of federal, state or local laws, statutes, rules, and regulations governing or affecting the practice of dentistry.

(CONCLUSION OF PROPOSED STATUTE AND RULE REVISIONS)

BIENNIAL LICENSING RECAP

The Board of Dentistry initiated biennial licensing in connection with the October 1, 2006, dental license renewal cycle. Dental licenses renewed in 2006 will be effective until September 30, 2008 (as specified on the wallet size license). At the next dental license renewal (October 1, 2008) dentists who renew dental licenses with active status are required to report thirty (30) credits (1 credit = 1 hour of instruction) of continuing education completed during the applicable renewal period (October 1, 2006, through September 30, 2008). As a part of that continuing education requirement, a dentist can report up to ten (10) credits of volunteer dental treatment (2 hours of volunteer treatment = 1 credit). The license fee and continuing education requirements for a dentist licensed during the renewal period will be prorated based upon the date of licensure. Initial biennial renewal for dental hygienist will take place in connection with the April 1, 2007, dental hygiene license renewal cycle.

The following Idaho dental licenses were cancelled in 2006 (either upon request or due to non-renewal):

<u>CANCELLED BY REQUEST</u>	<u>LICENSE #</u>	<u>STATUS BEFORE CANCELLATION</u>	<u>RESIDENT STATE</u>
Dr. Jeremy Archibald	D-3865	Inactive	OR
Dr. Kenneth J. Babon	D-2054	Inactive	AZ
Dr. Kyrke Brandon Baillie	D-3809-PE	Inactive	AZ
Dr. James R. Barton	D-1277	Inactive	ID
Dr. Brady Benson	D-3756	Active	UT
Dr. Shaun Scott Briggs	D-3881	Active	UT
Dr. Scott Lee Burnett	D-3014	Inactive	MT
Dr. Robert J. Church	D-1278	Inactive	CA
Dr. Ute Collins	D-3485	Active	WA
Dr. Ryan Charles Collins	D-3488	Active	WA
Dr. Gregg Lee Delange	D-3422	Inactive	OR
Dr. Craig Ehlinger	D-3187	Inactive	WA
Dr. Jonathan Ray Elmer	D-3829	Active	ID
Dr. Eric S. Fillmore	D-3970	Inactive	PA
Dr. James F. Gabiola	D-1188	Retired	ID
Dr. Jared Gill	D-3818	Active	ID
Dr. Jeremy T. Goodlett	D-4022	Active	ID
Dr. Teresa Kosmac	D-1944	Inactive	CA
Dr. Peter G. Kremp	D-1935	Inactive	CA
Dr. Jason O. May	D-3487	Inactive	UT
Dr. Jeanine M. McDonald	D-3599	Inactive	WA
Dr. Mark E. Nason	D-1681	Inactive	ID
Dr. Brian E. Nilges	D-3632	Active	WA
Dr. Charles R. Petrie	D-2011	Inactive	CA
Dr. Cory D. Price	D-3992	Inactive	CO
Dr. Larry L. Schrader	D-1196	Inactive	ID
Dr. John R. Stewart	D-3164	Inactive	MT
Dr. Kyle R. Stiefel	D-3480	Inactive	AK
Dr. Harry R. Stunz	D-1269	Retired	CA
Dr. Harold M. Thompson	D-1293	Active	ID
Dr. Earle G. Wolfrom	D-3504	Active	ID

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<u>NON-RENEWAL</u>	<u>LICENSE #</u>	<u>STATUS BEFORE CANCELLATION</u>	<u>RESIDENT STATE</u>
Dr. Arnold E. Allemand	D-1579	Active	ID
Dr. Robert W. Allen	D-1580-Or	Active	ID
Dr. Michael L. Allen	D-1275	Retired	MT
Dr. Sterling C. Barton	D-1624	Inactive	ID
Dr. Michael H. Beto	D-3199	Active	TX
Dr. Jonathan William Blanchard	D-3798	Active	MT
Dr. John E. Braithwait	D-3661	Inactive	UT
Dr. Jimmy Ray Campbell	D-1583	Active	ID
Dr. Annette G. Dunford	D-3643	Inactive	MN
Dr. Ronald K. Fife	D-1304	Active	ID
Dr. Matthew M. Griffeth	D-3782	Active	ID
Dr. Walter G. Hadley	D-1523	Inactive	WA
Dr. Christopher T. Herron	D-1778	Inactive	CA
Dr. Karl J. Hunt	D-3937	Active	WA
Dr. James Leslie Johnson	D-1782	Inactive	UT
Dr. Robert L. Johnson	D-3191	Inactive	WA
Dr. David Johnson	D-3414	Inactive	UT
Dr. Andrew P. Johnson	D-3804	Active	WA
Dr. Hoi W. Lee	D-1600	Inactive	WA
Dr. James S. Maus	D-1787	Inactive	WI
Dr. Wayne D. McCoy	D-1974	Inactive	IA
Dr. Rodger H. Miller	D-3224	Inactive	CO
Dr. Victor Pineschi	D-3311-PE	Inactive	ID
Dr. William J. Quinn	D-3736	Active	ND
Dr. Melissa Ann Haidu Rehling	D-3827	Inactive	WA
Dr. Glenn B. Sturges	D-1999	Inactive	CA
Dr. Ryan C. Taylor	D-3762	Active	WY
Dr. Kenneth C. Van Kirk	D-3722	Active	ID
Dr. Justin M. Young	D-3780	Active	PA

BOARD OF PHARMACY PRESCRIPTION DATABASE

Are you concerned that a patient at your practice may be “doctor shopping” for controlled substances?

Prescribing controlled substances not reasonably necessary for, or within the scope of, providing dental services for a patient can constitute unprofessional conduct that may subject a dentist to disciplinary action by the Board of Dentistry. The Idaho Board of Pharmacy is one of the first state pharmacy agencies to create and maintain a controlled substance database for prescriptions that are either filled in Idaho or filled by an out-of-state mail service pharmacy for patients residing in Idaho. The Board of Pharmacy's prescription database can provide both a "Practitioner Profile Report" and a "Patient Profile Report." The information available in the reports will identify the patient, prescribing practitioner, controlled substance prescribed, dosage units, and when and where the prescription was filled. The database is updated on a monthly basis on or about the 10th of each month. Practitioners may request information from the Board of Pharmacy's database regarding their patients by submitting an appropriate request. Requests for prescription database information are processed by the Board of Pharmacy on a daily basis and a response is usually provided to the requesting party within a few hours from the time of receipt. A Board of Pharmacy prescription database request form can be obtained by calling (208) 334-2356.

Troubled Colleague?

Idaho Program for Recovering Dental Professionals

Call (208) 323-9555 or (208) 891-4726 for assistance or assessment. All calls are confidential.

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Welcome New Board Members

On August 10, 2006, Governor James Risch appointed two new members to serve on the Board of Dentistry. Janis Davey, RDH is a dental hygienist practicing in Sandpoint, Idaho. Mr. Robert Steusloff is from Post Falls, Idaho, and was appointed to fill the consumer member position. Both appointments are for a five year term. The members of the Board have enjoyed serving with the new members thus far and can guarantee their terms will be both interesting and enjoyable!

JUST A REMINDER

The Idaho Dental Practice Act requires that dentists and dental hygienists should either display a current license at his or her office or be able to immediately produce a license upon request.

The Board of Dentistry received complaints during the past several months alleg-

ing that dental hygienists were practicing in Idaho dental offices without a current license. It is the dentist's responsibility to ascertain that the dental hygienists working in his or her practice are properly licensed. If a dentist has any question regarding that matter, ask the dental hygienist to produce an original license or contact the Board of Dentistry for a license verification

Future Meetings of the Idaho Board of Dentistry

April 13-14, 2007 (Boise)

July 27-28, 2007 (Boise)

October 12-13, 2007 (Boise)



NAME / ADDRESS CHANGE

The Board of Dentistry maintains an address of record for each licensee and all written communications (including license renewals, newsletters, etc.) to the licensees are mailed to the address of record. If your address of record changes or if you have a name change, you should inform the Board of Dentistry of that fact. You can notify the Board of Dentistry about a change by using the following form. The form can be mailed to the Board of Dentistry, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0010 or transmitted via facsimile to (208) 334-3247.

NAME (last, first, middle)	FORMER NAME (if applicable)
OLD ADDRESS: Street	NEW ADDRESS (if applicable): Street
City / State / Zip	City / State / Zip
License Number	Daytime Phone Number
Signature	Effective Date