



# STATE OF IOWA

## IOWA DENTAL BOARD

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

### IOWA DENTAL BOARD

#### AGENDA

(Revised 1/18/11)

January 25-26, 2011

**Location:** Iowa Dental Board, 400 SW 8<sup>th</sup> St., Suite D, Des Moines, Iowa

#### **Board Members:**

*Gary D. Roth, D.D.S., Chair; Perry T. Grimes, D.D.S., Vice-Chair; VaLinda J. Parsons, R.D.H., Secretary; Marijo A. Beasler, R.D.H.; Steven Patrick Bradley, D.D.S.; Lynn D. Curry, D.D.S.; Michael J. Rovner, D.D.S.; Diane Meier; Kimberlee Spillers*

#### Tuesday, January 25, 2011

9:00	<b>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</b>	<b>Closed Session</b>	<i>Roth, Grimes, Parsons</i>
9:30	<b>DENTAL HYGIENE COMMITTEE</b> (See Separate Committee Agenda)	<b>Open/Closed Session</b>	<i>Parsons, Beasler, Roth</i>
10:30	<b><u>OPEN SESSION</u></b>	<b>Open Session</b>	<i>Full Board</i>
	<b>I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER – ROLL CALL</b>		<i>Gary Roth</i>
	<b>II. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT</b>		<i>Gary Roth</i>
	<b>III. APPROVAL OF OPEN SESSION MINUTES</b>		<i>Gary Roth</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• November 16, 2010 Telephonic Meeting</li></ul>		
	<b>IV. REPORTS</b>		
	<b>a. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT</b>		<i>Melanie Johnson</i>
	<b>b. LEGAL REPORT</b>		<i>Theresa Weeg</i>
	<b>c. ANESTHESIA CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT</b>		<i>Gary Roth</i>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Recommendations re: pending moderate sedation applications<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Dr. Rick Leppo, D.D.S.</li><li>b. Dr. Robert Gregorsock, D.D.S.</li><li>c. Dr. Kelley Ruehs, D.D.S.</li></ol></li><li>2. Other</li></ol>		
	<b>d. CONTINUING EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT</b>		<i>Marijo Beasler</i>

1. Ratification of Actions Taken by Committee Since Last Meeting
  2. Recommendation to Board re: Sponsor Application from Health Studies Institute
  3. Other
- e. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT** *Gary Roth*
1. AADB/AADA Mid-Year Meeting April 3-4, 2011:  
Recommendation re: IDB Attendees (Added 1/18/11)
  2. Other (Added 1/18/11)
- f. LICENSURE/REGISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT** *VaLinda Parsons*
- g. DENTAL HYGIENE COMMITTEE REPORT** *VaLinda Parsons*
- h. DENTAL ASSISTANT REGISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT** *Michael Rovner*
- i. AD-HOC EXAMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT** *P.T. Grimes*
- j. EXAMINATIONS REPORT**
1. CRDTS – Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc.  
*Dental Steering Committee Report* *Gary Roth*
  2. CRDTS – Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc.  
*Dental Hygiene Examination Review Committee Report* *Marijo Beasler*
  3. CRDTS – Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc.  
*Dental Examination Review Committee Report* *P.T. Grimes*
- k. IOWA PRACTITIONERS REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT** *Brian Sedars*
1. Quarterly IPRC report
  2. Other
- V. ADMINISTRATIVE RULES/RULE WAIVERS**
1. Action on Final Rule Amendments: 650--Chapter 11, “Licensure to Practice Dentistry or Dental Hygiene,” 650--Chapter 12, “Dental and Dental Hygiene Examinations” (Notice ARC #9243B) (Revised 1/18/11) *Gary Roth*
    - a. Vote by Dentist Board Members for Adoption of Final Rule Amendments Re: Clinical Examination(s) Accepted for Licensure of Dentists
    - b. Vote by Full Board on Dental Hygiene Committee’s Recommendation for Adoption of Final Rule Amendments Re: Clinical Examination(s) Accepted for Licensure of Dental Hygienists
  2. Rule Waiver Request from Dr. Catherine Reno, D.D.S Related to Nitrous Oxide Training Requirements (Rule 29.6(1) “a” and “b”) *Jennifer Hart*
  3. Review and Discussion Re: IDPH Proposed Rule Amendments to the Volunteer Health Care Provider Program (Revised 1/18/11) *Gary Roth*
- VI. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE** *Melanie Johnson*

**VII. OTHER BUSINESS**

- 1. Appointment of Chair for Licensure/Registration Committee *Gary Roth*
- 2. Request from Sheryl Hast for Approval to Offer Tooth Whitening Service
- 3. Request from Iowa Dental Association for Reconsideration - Creation of New "Volunteer/Free Care Only" License Category

**VIII. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE/REGISTRATION & OTHER REQUESTS \***

- 1. Ratification of Actions Taken by Executive Director Since Last Meeting on Applications *Melanie Johnson*
- 2. Status of Preliminary Denial: Penny Harger *Melanie Johnson*
- 3. Pending Licensure/Registration Applications\*

**IX. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT** *Gary Roth*

Noon - **LUNCH BREAK-**

1:00 **X. CLOSED SESSION\*** **Closed Session** *Full Board*  
**ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING\*** –Consideration in the Matter of Robin Spencer, R.D.H. (File #08-162,09-097)

**XI. RECESS UNTIL: 9:00 A.M. ON 1/26/11**

**Wednesday, January 26, 2011**

9:00 a.m. **XII. BOARD RECONVENES\*** **Closed Session** *Full Board*

9:30 a.m. **XIII. OPEN SESSION ACTION, IF ANY, ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS** **Open Session** *Full Board*

- 1. Licensure/Registration Applications
- 2. Statement of Charges
- 3. Combined Notice of Hearing, Settlement Agreement and Final Order (Added 1/18/11)
- 4. Settlement Agreements
- 5. Final Hearing Decisions
- 6. Other

**ADJOURN**

**Next Meeting:** April 12-13, 2011

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If you require the assistance of auxiliary aids or services to participate in or attend the meeting because of a disability, please call the office of the Board at 515/281-5157.

\*This portion of the meeting may be conducted in closed session to discuss confidential matters that may concern examination information, peace officers' investigative reports, attorney records related to litigation, patient records and reports on the condition, diagnosis, care or treatment of a patient, or investigation reports and other investigative information which is privileged and confidential under the provisions of Sections 22.7(2), 22.7(4), 22.7(5), 22.7(9), 22.7(19), and 272C.6(4) of the 2009 Code of Iowa.

These matters constitute a sufficient basis for the board to consider a closed session under the provisions of section 21.5(1), (a), (c), (d), (f), (g), and (h) of the 2009 Code of Iowa. These sections provide that a governmental body may hold a closed session only by affirmative public vote of either two-thirds of the members of the body or all of the members present at the meeting to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential, to discuss whether to initiate licensee disciplinary investigations or proceedings, and to discuss the decision to be rendered in a contested case conducted according to the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 17A.



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PATTY JUDGE, LT. GOVERNOR

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**(1/4/11) DRAFT NOVEMBER 16<sup>th</sup> MINUTES – SUBJECT TO FINAL BOARD APPROVAL**

**IOWA DENTAL BOARD  
- TELEPHONIC MEETING -  
OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

**November 16, 2010**

**Origination from IDB Conference Room  
400 S.W. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Suite D  
Des Moines, Iowa**

**Board Members**

Gary D. Roth, D.D.S., Chairperson	Present
Perry T. Grimes, D.D.S., Vice Chairperson	Present
VaLinda J. Parsons, R.D.H., Secretary	Present
Lynn D. Curry, D.D.S.	Present
Michael J. Rovner, D.D.S.	Present
Marijo A. Beasler, R.D.H.	Present
Kimberlee Spillers, Public Member	Present
Steve Bradley, D.D.S.	Present

**Staff Members**

Melanie Johnson, Chistel Braness, Phil McCollum, Janet Arjes.

**Attorney General’s Office**

Theresa O’Connell Weeg, Assistant Attorney General

**CALL TO ORDER FOR NOVEMBER 16, 2010**

Chairman Roth called the telephonic meeting of the Iowa Dental Board to order at 12:05 p.m. on Tuesday, November 16, 2010. A quorum was established with all seven members present.

**Roll Call:**

<u>Member</u>	<u>Beasler</u>	<u>Bradley</u>	<u>Curry</u>	<u>Grimes</u>	<u>Meier</u>	<u>Parsons</u>	<u>Roth</u>	<u>Rovner</u>	<u>Spillers</u>
Present	x		x	x		x	x	x	x
Absent					x				

Pursuant to the authority of, and in compliance with Iowa Code Section 21.8(2009), the meeting was held by electronic means. This meeting was held by conference call to consider draft meeting minutes for approval, a proposed settlement agreement and a committee recommendation concerning an application for dental license. It was impossible for the Board to schedule a meeting on such short notice and impractical for the Board to meet with such a short agenda.

**BOARD MINUTES**

Dr. Roth thanked staff for the work and time put into getting the minutes done. Dr. Roth stated that the minutes were a good representation of what was discussed at the meetings.

*October 14-15, 2010 Open Session Minutes*

❖ MOVED by SPILLERS, SECONDED by ROVNER, to approve the open session minutes of the October 14-15, 2010 meeting as submitted. Motion APPROVED unanimously.

*November 2, 2010 Teleconference Open Session Minutes*

❖ MOVED by SPILLERS, SECONDED by PARSONS, to approve the open session minutes of the November 2, 2010 teleconference meeting as submitted. Motion APPROVED unanimously.

**CLOSED SESSION**

❖ MOVED by BEASLER, SECONDED by GRIMES to go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(a) to review and discuss records which are required by state law to be kept confidential.

<u>Member</u>	<u>Beasler</u>	<u>Bradley</u>	<u>Curry</u>	<u>Grimes</u>	<u>Meier</u>	<u>Parsons</u>	<u>Roth</u>	<u>Rovner</u>	<u>Spillers</u>
Aye	x		x	x		x	x	x	x
Absent					x				

Motion APPROVED by ROLL CALL

- The Board convened in closed session at 12:07 p.m.
- Dr. Steven Bradley joined the call following the motion to go into closed session.

**OPEN SESSION**

❖ MOVED by ROVNER, SECONDED by SPILLERS to return to open session. Motion APPROVED unanimously.

- The Board reconvened in open session at 12:17 p.m.

*In The Matter of Tanesha R. Vivian, D.A.*

- ❖ MOVED by BRADLEY, SECONDED by BEASLER to approve the proposed Stipulated Registration Agreement as submitted. Motion APPROVED unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Roth adjourned the meeting at 12:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Johnson, J.D.  
Executive Director

MJ/cb

# REPORT TO THE IOWA DENTAL BOARD

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**DATE OF MEETING:** January 25, 2011  
**RE:** **Moderate Sedation Applications**  
**SUBMITTED BY:** Anesthesia Credentials Committee  
**ACTION REQUESTED:** Action on Committee Recommendation

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## **Background**

The Anesthesia Credentials Committee is a peer review committee appointed by the Board to assist the Board. The administrative rules provide that one of the duties of the Committee is to:

- a.* Review all permit applications and make recommendations to the board regarding those applications.

The Committee has received and reviewed the following moderate sedation applications:

- Dr. Rick Leppo, D.D.S.
- Dr. Robert Gregorsock, D.D.S. (Plus pediatric patients)
- Dr. Kelley Ruehs, D.D.S. (Plus pediatric patients)

## **Committee Recommendation**

The Committee recommends that the Board approve moderate sedation permits for the applicants identified above.

## **Proposed Motion**

I move that the Board accept the Anesthesia Credentials Committee's recommendations regarding these applications as described in this Report to the Board.

# REPORT TO THE IOWA DENTAL BOARD

ACTION

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**DATE OF MEETING:** January 25-26, 2011  
**RE:** **Continuing Education Sponsorship and Course Requests**  
**SUBMITTED BY:** Continuing Education Advisory Committee  
**ACTION REQUESTED:** Action on Committee Recommendation

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## **Background**

The Continuing Education Advisory Committee is a committee appointed by the Board to assist the Board. The administrative rules provide that the purpose of the Committee is:

“...to review and advise the board with respect to applications for approval of sponsors or activities and requests for post-approval of activities.”

“ The advisory committee on continuing education may tentatively approve or deny applications or requests submitted to it pending final approval or disapproval of the board at its next meeting.”

Attached is a listing of the sponsorships and courses that the Committee has taken action on as of January 4, 2011. An updated list will be distributed at the meeting.

## **Committee Recommendation**

The Committee recommends that the Board approve the actions taken by the Committee concerning the requests for sponsorships and courses as detailed in the attached list.

## **Proposed Motion**

I move that the Board accept the Committee’s recommendations regarding these continuing education sponsorships and courses.

<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Date Submitted for Review</u>	<u>Approved/Denied</u>	<u>Credit Hours</u>
Southeast Iowa District Dental Society	Evolving Digital Technologies and CAD/CAM Materials	10/26/2010	approved	3.5 per Melanie
GV Black Dental Study Club	Everything you were afraid to ask about Implant Dentistry and why the team approach can avoid Disasters	10/26/2010		
GV Black Dental Study Club	New Drugs: Dental Impact and Drug interactions and reactions important in clinical dentistry	10/26/2010		
GV Black Dental Study Club	The Multi-Faceted problems associated with first permanent	10/26/2010		
GV Black Dental Study Club	Implant esthetics and soft tissue esthetics-current concepts	10/26/2010		
Align Technology	Invisalign: Made Easy	10/26/2010	approved	3 per Melanie
3M Unitek	Assessing Risk Factors for Caries and Decalcification in Orthodontic Patients	11/5/2010	approved	2 per Melanie
INR	Brain Injury: Stroke, Alzheimer's & Head Trauma	11/8/2010		to Marijo
Kiess Kraft Dental Laboratory	Basic Dental Implant Concepts and Procedures for the Restorative Dental Practice	11/12/2010	approved	2 per Melanie
Iowa Dental Hygienists Association	Exploring Sleep Medicine and the Role of the Dental Team	11/12/2010	approved	3 to Marijo
Kiess Kraft Dental Laboratory	Predictable Crown and Bridge Impressions and Simplified Temporization	11/12/2010	approved	2 per Melanie
Iowa Dental Association	Bambi VS Godzilla	11/18/2010	approved	3 per Marijo
Iowa Dental Association	Why are Women So Strange and Men So Weird	11/18/2010	approved	3 per Marijo
Iowa Dental Hygienists Association	Earth, Wind and Fire: The View	11/12/2010	approved	6 to Marijo
Dental Prosthetic Services	Minimally Invasive Digital Veneers	12/15/2010	approved	10 per Melanie
Dental Prosthetic Services	Making Every Patient the Ideal Patient	12/15/2010	approved	5 per Melanie
Eastern Iowa Community College	You get on my nerve; Endodontic cases	12/29/2010	approved	2 per Melanie
Eastern Iowa Community College	Overview full scope oral & Maxillofacial Surgery	12/29/2010	approved	2 per Melanie
Eastern Iowa Community College	Orthodontic Appliances	12/29/2010	approved	2 per Melanie
The Cancun Study Club	Multiple topics	12/29/2010	approved	31.5 per Melanie
Kathy Haverland	Mandt Training for dealing with high risk patients	12/29/2010	denied	per Marijo
Iowa Academy of General Dentistry	Photography, Shade Taking	12/29/2010	approved	9 per Marijo
Dental Prosthetic Services	Introduction to Dental Sleep Medicine (formally Sleep Dentistry)	12/29/2010	approved	1 per Melanie
Iowa Nebraska Primary Care Association	Clinical Bootcamp for FQHC Dental Programs	12/30/2010	approved	4 per Melanie

# REPORT TO THE IOWA DENTAL BOARD

ACTION

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**DATE OF MEETING:** January 25-26, 2011  
**RE:** **Sponsor Application from Health Studies Institute**  
**SUBMITTED BY:** Continuing Education Advisory Committee  
**ACTION REQUESTED:** Action on Committee Recommendation

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## **Background**

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Attached is a request from Health Studies Institute for recertification of its sponsor status. The sponsor status of the Health Studies Institute lapsed in 2010 due to failure to renew. Health Studies Institute submitted the recertification application in October 2010. Due to the late date of receipt, staff was unable to submit it for consideration at that meeting.

## **Committee Recommendation**

The Committee recommends that the Board approve this sponsor application.

SPONSOR RECERTIFICATION APPLICATION

RECEIVED

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All board-approved sponsors of continuing education must submit a sponsor re-certification record biennially and pay the biennial renewal fee of \$100. Please complete this application and forward to the board's office no later than June 30.

1. Official Name of Sponsor Group: Health Studies Institute

Contact Person: Tracy Okeefe Phone: 425 831 1113 Fax: 425 292 0768

Address: 35300 SE Center St. E-mail: tokeefe@perio.com  
Snogualmie, WA 98065

2. Name of Current Officers, Title, Address, Phone:

Mike Okeefe - President  
Tracy Okeefe - Vice President

3. Please provide contact information below. The name you provide will be posted as the contact person for your organization on the board's website.

Name: Health Studies Institute Phone: 800-~~800~~ 700-3454 Fax: 425-292-0768

Full Address: 35300 SE Center St Snogualmie, WA 98065

Internet Address: www.healthstudies.com E-mail: info@healthstudies.com

4. How many courses, meetings or programs did your organization sponsor last year? 32

5. How many courses, meetings or programs do you anticipate sponsoring this year? 32-35

6. Which of the following educational methods does your organization use? Please check all applicable.

- Lectures
- Home study (e.g. self assessment, reading, educational TV, internet courses)
- Participation
- Discussion
- Demonstration

7. Course Subjects Offered: (check all applicable)

- Related to clinical practice
- Patient record keeping
- Risk Management
- Communication
- OSHA regulations/Infection Control
- Other: General Medical

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8. List all educational programs or courses conducted during the preceding 24-month compliance period. If additional space is needed, please attach a separate listing.

Date	Course Title	Instructor	Location	# Hours
See attached Brochure listing				

Sponsors must be formally organized and adhere to board rules for planning and providing continuing education. When courses are promoted as approved continuing education courses that do not meet the requirements as defined by the board, the sponsor will be required to refund the registration fee to participants. Sponsors may offer non-credit courses provided participants are informed that no credit will be given. Failure to meet this requirement may result in loss of approved sponsor status. Subjects, which are NOT acceptable for continuing education credit include, but are not limited to: personal development, business aspects of practice, personnel management, government regulations, insurance, collective bargaining, and community service presentations.

I understand and agree to follow the board rules for planning and providing continuing education.

Name of person completing this application: Tracy O'Keefe  
Address: 35300 SE Center St. Phone: 425-831-1113  
Tracy O'Keefe 10-5-10  
Signature Date

Please note: The biennial renewal fee of \$100 must accompany this Recertification Application.

**RETURN TO:**  
IOWA DENTAL BOARD  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON CONTINUING EDUCATION  
400 S.W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite D  
Des Moines, IA 50309-4687

CourseID	Course Title	Course Credits
1587	Aids & HIV Essentials 4th Edition (book & Test)	4
1546	Analgesics 2nd Edition Test	4
1547	Analgesics,6th Edition Principles of (book)	
394	Antibiotics I: Principles, Drugs, & Adverse Reactions Test	8
395	Antibiotics II: Applications and Special Considerations Test	8
793	Breath Malodor: a step-by-step approach Book	
792	Breath Odor: Causes and Treatments Test	3
801	California Dental Practice Act	2
1581	Clinical Periodontics Course 1 3rd ed Test	8
1582	Clinical Periodontics Course 2 3rd Ed test	8
1347	Clinical Periodontics, Manual of, 3rd ed Book	
640	Dental Implants Test	7
1374	Dental Office Medical Emergencies, 3rd ed book	
1375	Dental Office Medical Emergencies, 3rd ed test	3
1376	Dental Office Medical Emergencies, 3rd ed, Anesthesia	3
531	Dental Radiographs Test	5
1529	Dental Suturing	
1530	Dental Suturing Test	5
938	Diabetes, Dealing With (book&test)	3
1478	Digital Imaging	
1479	Digital Imaging Test	8
1473	Drug Use and Abuse 3rd Edition Course 1 - Anesthesia Related	5
1455	Drug Use and Abuse, 3rd Ed, Course 1 Test	5
1456	Drug Use and Abuse, 3rd Ed, Course 2 Test	5
1454	Drug Use and Abuse, Buzzed 3rd Ed. Book	
1028	Family (Domestic) Violence	2
388	Florida Laws and Ethics	3
1136	Hepatitis Viruses 8th edition (book&test)	4
1022	Hypertension book	
1695	Hypertension, Managing Patients With 4th Edition Test	4
1425	Indirect Restorations (book)	
1424	Indirect Restorations Course 1 (test)	5
1426	Indirect Restorations Course 2 (test)	5
1182	Infection Control and OSHA Essentials, 5th Ed Book	
1183	Infection Control and OSHA Essentials, 5th Ed Test	6
1436	Influenza: Protecting Your Patients and Yourself	2
532	Interpreting Dental Radiographs Book	
770	Local Anesthesia 5th ed, Handbook of (book)	
772	Local Anesthesia 5th ed: Armamentarium Test	6
771	Local Anesthesia 5th ed: Drugs Test	6
773	Local Anesthesia 5th ed: Techniques Test	6
780	Medical Error Prevention, 2nd ed	2
1367	Nitrous Oxide & Oxygen Sedation, 3rd Ed Book	
1368	Nitrous Oxide & Oxygen Sedation, 3rd Ed Test	10
1369	Nitrous Oxide & Oxygen Sedation, 3rd Edition — Anesthesia	10
1599	Nutrition in Dentistry: Essentials, 3rd ed test	8
1600	Nutrition in Dentistry: Specific Applications, 3rd ed test	7
1606	Nutrition, Dental Hygienist's Guide To, 3rd Edition	
583	Oral Cancer, 5th Edition Book	
584	Oral Cancer, 5th Edition, Course I Test	8
585	Oral Cancer, 5th Edition, Course II Test	4

639	Osseointegration in Dentistry, 2nd Ed Book	
1391	Pediatric Dentistry, test	2
1390	Pediatric Dentistry: Building a No-Fear Practice (book)	
1701	Periodontal Surgery: A Clinical Atlas	
994	Pocket Atlas of Oral Diseases 2nd ed Book	
110	Recognizing Oral Diseases	
995	Recognizing Oral Diseases Course 1 2nd ed Test	4
996	Recognizing Oral Diseases Course 2 2nd ed Test	4
1542	The Two-Implant Overdenture	
1535	The Two-Implant Overdenture Test	7
1154	Tobacco Intervention in Dental Practice	2
1218	Tooth Whitening Book	
1219	Tooth Whitening Test	6
606	Traumatic Dental Injuries, 2nd Book	
607	Traumatic Dental Injuries, 2nd Ed Test	4
1356	Ultrasonic Instruments Test	5
1355	Ultrasonics, The Power of (book)	

## Health Studies Institute C.E. Certificate Report

First Name	Last Name	Profession	Lic State & #				
HOPE	CHANEY-	DDS	MI:2902011177		141134		
		<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>	
		Antibiotics in Dentistry: Applications & Special Considerations			8	7/27/09	
KATHY	MORRISON	RDH	FL:DH:0010322	IA:02794	155698		
		<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>	
		Hepatitis Viruses 8th edition			4	2/4/09	
		Medical Error Prevention, 2nd ed			2	2/4/09	
LISA	CHURCH	RDH	SC:2529	IA:0297	158592		
		<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>	
		Clinical Periodontics Course 1			8	12/23/09	
		Clinical Periodontics Course 2			8	12/23/09	
OLGA	STOUT	RDH	KS:1898	SC:3007	154793		
		<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>	
		Tooth Whitening			6	11/6/08	
TAMRA	MURTHA	RDH	FL:DH:16162	IA:01186	157415		
		<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>	
		Medical Error Prevention, 2nd ed			2	1/26/10	
WILLIAM	SOUTO	DDS	CA:22920	IA:08349	154731		
		<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>	
		Pediatric Dentistry			2	12/29/08	
NANCY	HAMMOND	DDS	IA:6364		156624		
		<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>	
		Infection Control and OSHA Essentials, 5th Edition			6	8/3/09	
		Dental Radiographs			5	8/3/09	
LINDA	SMITHSON	RDH	IA:Q03632		157443		
		<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>	
		Infection Control and OSHA Essentials, 5th Edition			6	7/30/09	
		Dental Radiographs			5	7/30/09	
STEPHANIE	DORSEY	CDA	IA:163776	IA:Q06263	157445		
		<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>	
		Infection Control and OSHA Essentials, 5th Edition			6	7/30/09	
		Dental Radiographs			5	7/30/09	
ROBERTO	RUIZ	RDA	IA:Q06129		157471		
		<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>	
		Infection Control and OSHA Essentials, 5th Edition			6	8/3/09	
		Dental Radiographs			5	8/3/09	
LAUREN	BLUMBERG	RDA	IA:RDA:Q05839		157441		
		<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>	
		Infection Control and OSHA Essentials, 5th Edition			6	7/30/09	
		Dental Radiographs			5	7/30/09	
BRANDY	WALLER	RDH	OR:H4385	IA:2718	155860		
		<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>	
		Dental Office Medical Emergencies, 3rd ed			3	7/27/09	
		Nitrous Oxide & Oxygen Sedation, 3rd Ed Test			10	7/27/09	
		Ultrasonic Instruments			5	7/27/09	

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First Name	Last Name	Profession	Lic State & #				
JOANNE	HICKS	RDA	IA:R06587			152081	
		<b>Course</b>				<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>
		Dealing With Diabetes				3	3/12/09
		Infection Control and OSHA Essentials, 5th Edition				6	3/12/09
		Medical Error Prevention, 2nd ed				2	3/12/09
HEATHER	ADU-	DDS	FL:DN:16645	IA:7723		155408	
		<b>Course</b>				<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>
		Local Anesthesia 5th ed: Drugs				6	8/6/09
		Local Anesthesia 5th ed: Armamentarium and Complications				6	12/8/09
		Local Anesthesia 5th ed: Techniques				6	2/9/10
ANGELA	SAAL	RDH	FL:Pending	IA:03377	WA: IL:20009012	144479	
		<b>Course</b>				<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>
		Medical Error Prevention, 2nd ed				2	9/23/08
KELLIE	PAXTON	DMD	MO:2003013112	IA:30227	FL:DN:18256	159881	
		<b>Course</b>				<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>
		Aids & HIV Essentials 4th Edition				4	2/12/10
JO ANNE	JEAMBEY	RDH	FL:DH:19069			156860	
		<b>Course</b>				<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>
		Medical Error Prevention, 2nd ed				2	5/14/09
MIRANDA	MORGAN	RDA	IA:Q08088			157442	
		<b>Course</b>				<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>
		Infection Control and OSHA Essentials, 5th Edition				6	7/30/09
		Dental Radiographs				5	7/30/09
AMBER	HAYES	RDA	IA:Q07568			157446	
		<b>Course</b>				<b>Credits</b>	<b>Cert Date</b>
		Dental Radiographs				5	7/30/09
		Infection Control and OSHA Essentials, 5th Edition				6	7/30/09



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October 6, 2010

Iowa Dental Board  
AA Advisory Committee On Continuing Education  
400 SW 8<sup>th</sup> ST, STE D  
Des Moines, IA 50309-4687

Dear Ms. Price:

I have enclosed the required documentation for our recertification along with a check for \$100.00. I apologize for the lateness of the paperwork as I accidentally filed it thinking I had completed it. We purchased the company in October of 2008 and have since moved it to a new location in Washington State. I noticed you have us listed on your website (thank you very much!) and that the listing has the old address, but the toll free number and website address are still the same. New address:

35300 SE Center St  
Snoqualmie, WA 98065

Thanks for the opportunity to provide your state with quality continuing education!

Sincerely,

Tracy O'Keefe  
Vice President  
Health Studies Institute  
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# STATE OF IOWA

CHESTER J. CULVER  
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LT. GOVERNOR

IOWA DENTAL BOARD  
CONSTANCE L. PRICE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

April 22, 2010

Dear Sponsor:

Enclosed please find the Sponsor Recertification Application, which will renew your sponsor status through June 30, 2012. The Application for Recertification must be completed and returned to this office prior to June 30, 2010.

Also enclosed is a copy of Iowa Administrative Code 650—Chapter 25. This is a reminder to advise you that it is the responsibility of the sponsor to meet the guidelines for continuing education as defined by the board. Please note the board allows credit for courses in the areas of patient treatment record keeping, risk management, communication, and OSHA regulations. Board rules allow credit for Iowa jurisprudence courses, which have been prior-approved by the board.

The board allows licensees or registrants to obtain a maximum of 12 hours of self-study continuing education credit. Self-study activities include television viewing, video programs, correspondence work, or computer activities. As a reminder, sponsors are responsible for providing all attendees with proof of attendance and the number of credit hours awarded to the participant.

The board has implemented a biennial renewal fee of \$100 for all sponsors. This fee will be used to offset the costs associated with sponsor approval and review of courses by the board's Continuing Education Advisory Committee.

The board provides a list of approved sponsors directly on its website. Sponsors who renew their status with the board and pay the renewal fee will have an opportunity to provide contact information for their organizations, which will be posted on the website so that practitioners have easy access to this information.

Also, please be advised that the board may monitor or review any continuing education program already approved and, upon evidence of significant variation in the program presented from the program approved, may disapprove all or any part of the approved hours granted to the program.

Please forward the completed forms to the office of the Iowa Dental Board prior to June 30, 2010, along with the sponsor renewal fee of \$100. Previously, you were required to attach your sign-in attendance forms or written record of Iowa licensees and registrants in attendance for each course sponsored; however, the Iowa Dental Board is no longer going to require submission

of attendance records to this office. You will be required, however, to maintain these records for no less than 5 years.

If there will be a delay in returning the forms by June 30, 2010, please write and let us know when to expect the forms. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Price", written in a cursive style.

Constance L. Price  
Executive Director

CLP/cb

# REPORT TO THE IOWA DENTAL BOARD

FYI ONLY

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**DATE OF MEETING:** January 25-26, 2010  
**RE:** **Quarterly Report on IPRC Activities**  
**SUBMITTED BY:** Brian Sedars, Health Professions Investigator  
**ACTION REQUESTED:** None.

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The Iowa Practitioner Review Committee evaluates, assists, and monitors the recovery, rehabilitation, or maintenance of dentists, hygienists, or assistants who self-report impairments. As necessary, the Committee notifies the Board in the event of noncompliance with contract provisions.

The IPRC is both an advocate for the health of a practitioner and a means to protect the health and safety of the public.

The Board's administrative rules require the Committee to submit a quarterly report to the Board on the activities of the IPRC. Attached is the quarterly report.

## Iowa Dental Board Iowa Practitioner Review Committee Year to date-2010

	2010
Self Reports	2
Current Participants	9
Contracts under Review	1
Discharged Participants (as of 8/18)	4

# REPORT TO THE IOWA DENTAL BOARD

DISCUSSION AND  
POSSIBLE ACTION

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**DATE OF MEETING:** January 25-26, 2011  
**RE:** **Rules – Final Rule Amendments for Chapters 11 and 12 (Notice ARC #9243B)**  
**SUBMITTED BY:** Melanie Johnson, Executive Director  
**ACTION REQUESTED:** Discussion and Possible Action on Final Rule Amendments

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On November 2, 2010 the Board approved the filing of proposed rules to amend Chapter 11, “Licensure to Practice Dentistry or Dental Hygiene,” and Chapter 12, “Dental and Dental Hygiene Examinations.” The purpose of the proposed amendments is to establish Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc. (CRDTS) as the examination the Dental Board will recognize for purposes of licensure in Iowa as a dentist or dental hygienist. The amendments would remove Western Regional Examining Board, Inc. (WREB) and American Board of Dental Examiners, Inc. (ADEX) from the list of allowable examinations for purposes of licensure in the state.

A public hearing was held on December 21, 2010. Comments were received by e-mail, U.S. Mail and at the public hearing.

## Options For Consideration

The proposed rules are now eligible for final adoption. The Board has several options available to it as it considers how to proceed. The Board may decide to:

1. Adopt final rule amendments as proposed, no changes.
2. Adopt final rule amendments with changes in response to the comments received. For example, the Board could adopt final amendments that would:
  - Exempt 4<sup>th</sup> year students from the new rule amendment.
  - Permit anyone who has taken WREB or ADEX prior to July 1, 2011 to qualify for licensure by examination.
3. Adopt a Notice of Termination and terminate the rulemaking.
4. Defer action until a later date. This Notice of Intended Action will expire on May 30, 2011.

## Attached for review

- ❖ Copy of the Notice of Intended Action (proposed amendments).
- ❖ Copies of written comments received. (added 1/18/11 - 12/15/10 e-mail from Dr. Rebecca Slayton)
- ❖ Copy of 12/9/10 letter from Dr. Gary Roth to Dr. David Johnsen (added 1/18/11)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED**

ARC # 9243B: Proposed amendments to clinical examinations for dentists and dental hygienists.

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<b>Date Received</b>	<b>Description</b>
11/16/10	11/15/10 Letter from George North, D.D.S. (past IDB Chair)
11/18/10	11/17/10 Letter from Fred Riddle, D.D.S. (past IDB Chair, former UI faculty, IDA member)
12/02/10	12/02/10 E-mail from Eric Shell (resident graduate student at U I College of Dentistry)
12/02/10	12/02/10 1 <sup>st</sup> e-mail from Samantha Humke (4 <sup>th</sup> year dental student at U I College of Dentistry)
12/02/10	12/02/10 2nd e-mail from Samantha Humke (4 <sup>th</sup> year dental student at U I College of Dentistry)
12/04/10	12/04/10 E-mail from Martin Halbur (dentist)
12/04/10	12/04/10 E-mail from Derek Borgwardt (3 <sup>rd</sup> yr. periodontics resident at U I College of Dentistry)
12/05/10	12/05/10 E-mail from Thomas Peek (U I College of Dentistry associate adjunct professor)
12/06/10	12/06/10 E-mail from Joe Royce forwarding U I College of Dentistry comments from Dean Johnsen
12/06/10	12/01/10 Letter from Dean Johnsen
12/07/10	12/07/10 E-mail from Bill Johnson (U I College of Dentistry professor)
12/08/10	12/06/10 Letter from LeRoy Strohman (past IDB Chair)
12/10/10	Undated Letter from U of I College of Dentistry, Class of 2011
12/12/10	12/12/10 E-mail from Eileen Cacioppo, RDH
12/13/10	12/06/10 Letter from WREB Executive Committee
12/13/10	12/08/10 Letter from Family Dentistry Adjunct Faculty
12/13/10	12/13/10 Letter from Kirstina Gratz (4 <sup>th</sup> year UI dental student)
12/15/10	12/15/10 Letter from Dr. Rebecca Slayton, D.D.S.
12/16/10	12/14/10 Letter from Dr. Ruth Spieker, D.D.S.
12/20/10	12/20/10 E-mail from Dr. Stephen Thies
12/20/10	12/20/10 E-mail from Adam Freed – ltr. from Catherine Cownie on behalf of IDA
12/21/10	12/21/10 E-mail from Dr. Mike Kanellis, D.D.S. w/letter attached

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**George F. North, D.D.S., P.C.**  
511 N. Main Street  
Allison, Iowa 50602  
Phone 319-267-2739

November 15, 2010

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**IOWA DENTAL BOARD**

TO: Iowa Board of Dentistry

FROM: Dr. George North DDS, PC

This letter is in support of the Dental Board's proposed rule change as it relates to the Dental Board's responsibility in the examination process.

The Board's obligation to select, participate and monitor the examination process is one of the Board's major responsibilities in it's mandate to protect the citizens of Iowa.

Selection of the examination and participation in it's development and maintenance, as well as participating in the administration of such examination is a paramount responsibility of the Dental Board. The Board must be involved in the PROCESS and selection of the examination.

Thank you,

Dr. George F. North DDS., PC.  
Past Chair Iowa Dental Board

GFN/sw

Cc: Gary Roth

Dr Fred A. Riddle, D.D.S.  
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Iowa City, Iowa 52245  
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FARDDS@aol.com

November 17, 2010

To Whom It May Concern:

As a former faculty member of the UI dental school, IDA member, and a former chair of the Board of Dental Examiner, I feel that I must express my concern about the CRDTS/WREB/ no board exam controversy.

The role of all dentists is to protect the public. We all know that there are occasionally some people, that without a testing method to determine competence, would do harm to not only the public but also our profession.

When selected for the BDE, it has always been assumed (if not mandatory) that the non-public members would be examiners for a trusted and creditable testing organization. In Iowa, that has been CRDTS. As a state, we are always represented and have had our Iowa members in positions that represent us. If something is wrong, we have been in position to make corrections. This is **NOT** true with WREB or any other testing agency.

CRDTS also has a policy to allow selected faculty members to view the exam. It has usually been shocking to those people, on how well done the exam is. It has also made these people aware of some of the inadequate treatment done by those who have failed. I do not understand why anybody would prefer bringing in another testing agency or even multiple testing agencies in Iowa. We have no representation anywhere other than with CRDTS. Furthermore, our members of the BDE have only so much time to test for the people of Iowa. Belonging to multiple testing agencies would be ridiculous.

Therefore, I am asking the IDA and the UI dental school to stand down. Allow the Board to continue with CRDTS and then allow those who pass exams elsewhere for WREBS or other approved testing agencies to be once again granted reciprocity from the BDE.

Sincerely,



Fred Riddle, D.D.S.

## **Johnson, Melanie [IDB]**

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**From:** Shell, Eric R [eric-shell@uiowa.edu]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 02, 2010 5:44 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Melanie [IDB]  
**Subject:** Disagreement with CRDTS only licensing

Dear Ms. Johnson,

I am writing to disagree with the decision of the Iowa Dental Board to only accept CRDTS for licensing in Iowa, and urge the dental board to reverse its decision.

As a resident graduate student here at the University of Iowa, this decision will affect me and those I might treat. Due to this decision, I will not be staying in Iowa after residency completion, since I did not take CRDTS. My dental school offered another exam. I do not find it cost effective or ethical to take another exam now. It is hard enough finding qualifying patients for one exam. There are ethical concerns such as students watching lesions that should be immediately restored, and patients charging students large sums of money at the last minute just to go to the examination area for grading. As much as I might want to stay in Iowa, I will absolutely not place myself or patients in this situation again, when I can easily go elsewhere to practice. How much will the quality and access to care decrease in Iowa due to students and residents being forced to make this decision to leave?

Further, there is no objective evidence at all that one licensing agency provides better results in determining which practitioners will provide the best patient care. The licensing exam which I successfully completed has not been shown to be of lesser quality. None objectively have. State boards should be accepting more testing agencies, not less. I cannot help but note that the Iowa Dental Board is a member of the one testing agency that is proposed to be recognized, CRDTS. This decision has a component of self-interest, or minimally a conflict of interest, which should be made clear to the public and governing officials as part of this decision. Other state dental boards are members of certain testing agencies, but still accept other testing agencies for licensing. Many state dental boards accept all licensing agency results, and there is no evidence that access to, or quality of, care has decreased in these states. In fact, due to the actions of the Iowa Dental Board, access to care and quality of care may in fact improve in those other states.

Lastly, it is ironic to me that the Iowa Dental Board chooses not to recognize the licensing exam currently offered at the University of Iowa dental school. Is there a conflict between these two groups? Is there no communication or teamwork about how such decisions will affect quality and access of care? Why would the University of Iowa choose not to offer the exam recommended by the board? Why would the board not accept the exam that is currently recommended by the university? Is there something wrong with the university? Is there something wrong with CRDTS or the board? If I as a member of the profession have trouble determining the politics of the situation, how embarrassing will it be for our profession when the public starts trying to determine the politics?

This is a regretful decision that I understand was made via teleconference. I urge the board to meet together properly and reverse this decision, which is poor for our patients and our profession.

Sincerely,

Dr. Eric R. Shell  
University of Iowa  
Department of Orthodontics

**Johnson, Melanie [IDB]**

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**From:** Humke, Samantha S [samantha-humke@uiowa.edu]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 02, 2010 9:08 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Melanie [IDB]  
**Subject:** WREB decertification

Dear Melanie,

On November 2, 2010, the Iowa Dental Board, under pressure from CRDTS profit holders, approved amendments to the Iowa Administrative Code to remove the Western Regional Examining Board (WREB) and the American Board of Dental Examiners (ADEX) examinations as qualifying for licensure in Iowa. This action would restrict initial licensure to graduates who have passed the Central Regional Dental Testing Service (CRDTS) examination.

I will be taking National boards on Dec. 21st and will not be able to attend the public meeting. For this reason I write:

There has never been a substantiated reason to decertify WREB. There has never been any evidence that WREB is an inferior exam. What there has been is a campaign of fallacious and widely publicized claims by CRDTS special interests that WREB is an inferior exam that is putting Iowan's health at risk.

The word that comes immediately to mind is: Libel.

Libel. A claim that is:

- 1) False
- 2) Public
- 3) Damaging

The fact that that the amendment got this far this fast would be startling were we not all witness time and again in politics to massive, momentous, emotional movements muscling their way about. Cerebrally inclined individuals scratch their heads in wonder...

I am referring to the Iowa College of Dentistry...who opposes this amendment to decertify WREB. Unfortunately academicians and scholars find themselves at a disadvantage in a fight of dirty politics because they hold themselves and their own arguments to the standards of logic and evidence. Their defense against sensationalistic attacks become tedious and boring, all weighed down as it is with facts and the truth.

Nevertheless...I make this attempt to write. Not because I am one of these intellectuals or academicians. I wish. No...I'm just one of the 4th year students. (Remember us...the students? The ones who have been collecting teeth and hiring assistants and recruiting patients and planning our futures?) If the 3rd criteria of libel is damage, then we students who will now be more limited in where we can practice and will have to change our preparation plans...stand to incur some damage. Nothing, I imagine, compared to the Damage the WREB stakeholders will sustain.

With this sentiment, there has been a petition from students requesting consideration that the current 4th year students at least be exempt from this amendment. I signed it, but with regret for the implicit acceptance in its premise that the amendment, thanks to all its defamation efforts, is going to pass and there is nothing any reasonable soul can do about it.

I write today only because at heart, I still choose to believe that boring old Reason and fact can sometimes slow down the freight train that is propaganda. Not stop it of course. Or even put a dent in it. But just slow it down long enough so that our dignity can at least decide for itself whether or not it wants to be on board.

Thank you for your attention.

Samantha Humke

4th year dental student

University of Iowa

College of Dentistry

## Johnson, Melanie [IDB]

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**From:** Humke, Samantha S [samantha-humke@uiowa.edu]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 02, 2010 9:39 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Melanie [IDB]  
**Subject:** WREB decertification

Ms Johnson,

I just wanted to add that the WREB defamation and libel movement by CRDTS further will bring about DAMAGE to the state of Iowa being limiting the number of equally qualified dentists who might otherwise have considered practicing here.

It has been argued without evidence that this limitation somehow equates to higher standards, but that is simply baseless. If there were any evidence to support the claim, then logical, reasonable people (who do not have a vested interest in a CRDTS monopoly) would take it seriously and stand behind it.

Thank you.  
Samantha Humke  
Dental Student

## Johnson, Melanie [IDB]

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**From:** Martin Halbur [dmmkea@win-4-u.net]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 04, 2010 9:15 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Melanie [IDB]; Lynn Curry; Steven Bradley; P T Grimes; 'William Strohman DDS'; David Davidson; Dan Kegler; Bruce Cochrane; Dennis Higginbotham; Larry Carl; Mark Jurkovich  
**Subject:** Iowa Dental Board proposed actions

Dear Friends of Dentistry,

I have been following the Iowa Dental Board actions to begin the process of decertifying WREB and ADEX test for licensure in Iowa. I think this is the wrong direction to take in our state. Please give special consideration to the effects this will have for our patient's access especially as we try to recruit dentist to Western Iowa. This will also have a negative effect on potential faculty recruitment for our school. Our American Dental Association has been working toward a universal licensure model and the above actions will move us in the opposite direction. Please do not decertify WREB and AMEX and possibly consider accepting additional test as an alternative.

Thanks for your continued time and efforts for Dentistry in Iowa.

Sincerely,  
Martin J. Halbur DDS

## **Johnson, Melanie [IDB]**

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**From:** Borgwardt, Derek S [derek-borgwardt@uiowa.edu]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 04, 2010 3:08 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Melanie [IDB]  
**Subject:** Clarification regarding the decertification of WREB

Ms. Johnson,

Let me begin by expressing my disbelief and extreme disappointment in the recent decision by the Iowa Dental Board to move towards the decertification of the WREB exam. As a 2008 graduate of the University of Iowa College of Dentistry, I was among the first group of graduates to take the WREB examination hosted at the College of Dentistry, and I would like to clarify exactly how this will affect the recent graduates prior to voicing specific concerns. During the 2007-8 academic year I served as both Senior class co-President and College of Dentistry student body president, and I feel that I have a responsibility to alert as many people as possible who may be unaware that their career plans may be altered.

1. It is my understanding that the decertification applies to INITIAL licensure only, correct? Therefore, graduates from '08, '09, and '10 who took WREB and obtained an Iowa dental license based on those credentials would not be affected by this decision correct?
2. How will this affect recent graduates who are currently enrolled in a post-graduate specialty program? Many of my classmates and others who graduated from '08-'10 decided to pursue specialty training in various areas. For the majority of these programs, a state dental license is not needed, and the majority of residents opt to obtain a "resident license" during their 1-6 years of residency. When these specialists complete their training program, will they not be eligible to obtain licensure Iowa without taking a new licensure exam?

I can speak personally to this issue as I am currently a 3rd year resident in periodontics at the University of Iowa College of Dentistry. While I did decide NOT to get a resident license, and instead did apply, and currently hold, a "real" Iowa dental license, had I decided just to get the resident license it would be an absolute nightmare to have to go back, recruit patients, and take a new licensure exam involving things such as operative dentistry and endodontic treatment that I have not done for years and will never do again, as my practice will be limited to my specialty of periodontics.

I have spoken to many of my friends and classmates who are currently enrolled in various specialty programs throughout the country, all of whom planned to return to Iowa following completion of their programs, and all have adamantly sworn they will not come back if it involves taking another a licensure exam. I strongly urge that if a changes is made to decertify WREB that any recent graduates who successfully completed WREB during any of the years that it was explicitly accepted by the Iowa Dental Board be "grandfathered" to be able to obtain an Iowa dental license. Depriving the citizens of Iowa access to these talented specialists would be a huge disservice.

A follow-up question would be, that if these current specialty residents are not "grandfathered," are they currently eligible to apply for a "real" Iowa dental license ASAP based on their WREB scores to avoid this entire problem?

I appreciate your consideration and clarification of these issues. Please respond as soon as possible so that I may do my best to contact all that may be drastically affected by this decision.

Thank you

-Derek Borgwardt, DDS

**Johnson, Melanie [IDB]**

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**From:** peekendo [peekendo@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 05, 2010 10:50 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Melanie [IDB]  
**Subject:** Dental Board Amendments

Melanie Johnson  
Executive Director  
Iowa Dental Board

Dear Ms. Johnson:

I am writing to comment on the Intended Action to amend Chapter 11, "Licensure to Practice Dentistry or Dental Hygiene," and Chapter 12, "Dental and Dental Hygiene Examinations," Iowa Administrative Code.

I am an Associate Adjunct Professor in the Department of Family Dentistry of the University of Iowa College of Dentistry. I lecture and instruct in clinic with the senior (D4) dental students. I believe that the Intended Action is not in the best interests of the people of Iowa.

The State of Iowa is facing a shortage of dentists due to an aging dental work force. It would be prudent to have as many of our D4 students stay in Iowa as possible. It is hard to attract them to stay here now. Iowa does not have mountains, oceans or warm winters. The students get a very good dental education at Iowa and can practice anywhere in the country. The state needs to attract new dentists, not restrict their ability to obtain licensure. In talking to the D4 students, if Iowa only accepts CRDTS at this late date, they will leave the state and never return.

The State of Iowa could lose most of the class of 2011. It would take years or decades to recover from this Intended Action.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Thomas L. Peek, DDS  
Associate Adjunct Professor  
Family Dentistry  
University of Iowa  
College of Dentistry

**Johnson, Melanie [IDB]**

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**From:** Royce, Joe [LEGIS] [Joe.Royce@legis.state.ia.us]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 06, 2010 9:37 AM  
**To:** Ashworth, John [LEGIS]; Bartz, Merlin [LEGIS]; Benson, Jess [LEGIS]; Braun, Mary [LEGIS]; Conway, Stephen [LEGIS]; Courtney, Thomas [LEGIS]; Courtney, Thomas II; Duster, Michael [LEGIS]; Eichhorn, George (Home); Engel, Catherine [LEGIS]; Frevert, Marcella [LEGIS]; Frevert, Marci (home); Heaton, David [LEGIS]; Hoff, Stephanie [LEGIS]; Horn, Wally [LEGIS]; jsmetcalf@gmail.com; John Kibbie 2; Kibbie, John [LEGIS]; Kozel, Debra [LEGIS]; Lerdal, Susan [LEGIS]; Mandernach, Steven [DIA]; Olson, Tyler; Pollak, John [LEGIS]; Reichert, Nathan [LEGIS]; Seymour, James [LEGIS]; Upmeyer, Linda [LEGIS]  
**Cc:** Johnson, Melanie [IDB]; larry.carl@iowadental.org  
**Subject:** FW: Iowa Dental Board Decertification of WREB  
**Attachments:** Iowa Dental Board 12-1-10 Ltr.pdf

These comments were just received from the U of I and relate to:

11:20 **DENTAL BOARD[650]**  
PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT[641]"umbrella"



**Joe**

Joe Royce  
Legislative Services Agency  
e-mail: [joe.royce@legis.state.ia.us](mailto:joe.royce@legis.state.ia.us) Tel: 515:281.3084

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**From:** Saunders, Keith D [<mailto:keith-saunders@uiowa.edu>]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 06, 2010 9:30 AM  
**To:** Royce, Joe [LEGIS]  
**Subject:** Iowa Dental Board Decertification of WREB

Joe:

Thanks for calling this morning regarding the proposed rule change from the Dental Board. Attached, please find the statement prepared by the UI College of Dentistry regarding the proposed change.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to ask.

Thanks again for the advice and guidance.

Keith

Keith Saunders  
State Relations Officer  
The University of Iowa  
Cell: (319) 240-0007





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**Office of the Dean**

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December 1, 2010

Melanie Johnson, Executive Director  
Iowa Dental Board  
400 SW 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite D  
Des Moines, Iowa 50309-4687

Dear Ms. Johnson:

The Iowa Dental Board's intention to amend Chapter 11, "Applications," and Chapter 12, "Examinations," Iowa Administrative Code to eliminate the Western Regional Examining Board (WREB) and the American Board of Dental Examiners, Inc. (ADEX) from the list of allowable examinations for purposes of licensure is not in the best interest of the people of the State of Iowa.

At a time when the state is facing critical access to dental care issues and an impending shortage of practicing dentists due to the rapidly aging dental workforce, this action to limit access to dental licensure is contrary to reason. In 2009, 40% of the practicing dentists in Iowa were age 55 or older. In addition, in 10 Iowa counties 50% or more of the practicing dentists were age 60 or older. The restriction to a single examination to qualify for licensure limits the ability of Iowa communities to recruit dentists to replace those who retire.

The timing of this proposed change imposes undue hardship on the current fourth-year students at the University of Iowa College of Dentistry. Recognizing the need to schedule the examination schedule well in advance, and with the knowledge that three examinations were accepted by the Board, the College committed to hosting the WREB examination in March of 2011 and informed the students of the date. Many of these students have been preparing for the WREB exam and working to identify patients that meet the criteria for the exam. If the proposed rule change stands, senior students who successfully pass the scheduled WREB examination will not be eligible for licensure in Iowa and will need to look outside the state for practice opportunities.

The rationale for the proposed rule change was identified by the Board as based in the statutory duty to examine dentists sitting for the Board exam. **Iowa Code 147.34** states that "*Each board shall by rule prescribe the examination or examinations required for licensure for the profession and the manner in which an applicant shall complete the examination process. A board may develop and administer the examination, may designate a national, uniform, or other examination as the prescribed examination, or may contract for such services.*" Therefore, Iowa Code would seem to allow multiple regional examinations to qualify for licensure.

There is absolutely no evidence that any of the recognized regional dental examinations are more valid than any other or more predictive of safe practice. Restricting the examinations that are allowable to only the CRDTS examination when three examinations were previously allowed implies that the other examinations (ADEX & WREB) do not perform as well as CRDTS. No evidence has been offered to support such an implication. As a means to attract dentists, surrounding states are choosing to recognize more regional examinations as qualifying for licensure, not fewer. This action puts Iowa at a competitive disadvantage.

Impact of the Proposed Rule Change:

- The timing of the Boards action has caused immeasurable harm to current College of Dentistry senior students who have prepared for the WREB examination in order to practice in Iowa. These students' plans have been clouded with uncertainty and they are being forced to make a decision of which examination to take very late in the process.
- Current Iowa specialty residents who took WREB when they graduated, but did not complete an application for an Iowa license due to ability to practice in their advanced educational program with a resident license, would not be eligible to obtain a license to practice in Iowa unless they took another clinical examination. This would be a serious disincentive for those advanced students to practice in Iowa.
- Graduates from other dental schools who are considering establishing a practice in Iowa but who previously completed WREB or ADEX will now not be eligible for an Iowa license without taking another examination.
- Students from other schools of dentistry who plan on practicing in Iowa, and who believe that Iowa accepts WREB and ADEX for licensure, may take one of these examinations before they become aware that they will not be accepted for licensure. These dentists will likely look elsewhere for practice opportunities. If even one dentist chooses not to practice or is ineligible to practice in Iowa based on this proposed rule change, at least 1500 Iowans will be faced with reduced access to oral health care.

In summary, the College can identify no rational justification for the proposed change in rules and believes that the proposed change will have a negative effect on Iowa's ability to attract dentists to the state and therefore decrease the access to oral health care for Iowans. In addition, adoption of this change will cause irreparable harm to current senior dental students. The College requests that the Board terminate their intended action to restrict the examinations that qualify for Iowa licensure. Further, the College urges the Board to explore alternative ways to provide additional opportunities for dentists to qualify for licensure in Iowa.

Sincerely,



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Hi Melanie:

It was good to meet you this fall when you visited the college.

Attached is my letter supporting acceptance of multiple regional examinations for Iowa Licensure

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Dear Ms. Johnson:

I am writing to express my opinion that the Iowa Dental Board's intention to amend Chapter 11, "Applications," and Chapter 12, "Examinations," Iowa Administrative Code to eliminate the Western Regional Examining Board (WREB) and the American Board of Dental Examiners, Inc, (ADEX) from the list of allowable examinations for purposes of licensure is not in the best interest of the people of the State of Iowa.

It is unfortunate that in this day of evidence based dentistry the Iowa Board of Dental Examiners is making decisions based solely on the authority that the state grants and not on factual information. The scientific and educational literature does not support the reliability or validity of the state and regional clinical examinations as a mechanism to assess competency and to protect the public. For those interested in this topic I have provided references at the conclusion of this letter for review. In addition, the literature does not support one regional examination over another.

As an educator for over thirty years I have observed many changes in teaching methodology examination process. I have served six years as a Director of the American Board of Endodontics (two terms as Secretary and two terms as President) and have a background in national examination and testing. In reviewing the endodontic component of CRDTS I find the exercise to be of limited value. The plastic teeth are unrelated to clinical dentistry and patient care. The color is not realistic, they cut differently than natural teeth, the plastic

melts when heated, radiographs and interpretation absent, and the canals are so large that relatively no preparation is required.

Our students at Iowa are taught with natural extracted teeth in the preclinical laboratory, they complete 4-5 cases (to include a molar) as students in the junior clerkship, and another three to four cases (to include a multi-rooted tooth) as seniors in Family Dentistry. Their clinical experiences also include outcome assessment, vital pulp treatment, and management of urgent/emergent patients.

Not once during their educational experience do they prepare a plastic tooth, yet to receive a license in Iowa they will now be required to perform endodontic procedures on unrealistic models possibly for the first time. This does not sound like a valid and reliable measure of clinical competency. This is in stark contrast to the WREB which uses natural human teeth in the testing process. From an endodontic perspective, the WREB is a more realistic and accurate assessment of the mechanical skills required in the area of endodontics.

As a profession, we need to move past the personal opinions of individuals who may have conflicts of interest and base decisions on the evidence provided in the scientific and educational literature. The state has a variety of educational experts who could provide counsel and guidance to the Board, as does the American Dental Association and the American Dental Education Association. They should be consulted in matters of entry level licensure. By not obtaining professional direction and advice, I believe the Board is failing to provide the leadership expected by the public they are pledged to serve.

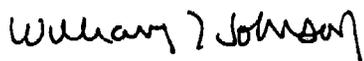
It is my hope that the Iowa Board of Dental Examiners will provide flexibility in the examination process and recognize the major regional clinical tests as acceptable for licensure in Iowa.

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December 6, 2010

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RE: Decision on November 2, 2010 by the Iowa Dental Board to decertify WREB.

Dear Ms. Johnson,

I write to you with great concern about the impact of this decision upon the future practice of dentistry in the State of Iowa.

I have discussed this matter with Dr. Gary Roth, current Chairman of The Iowa Dental Board, in his phone call to me on November 14, 2010.

There are four dental testing agencies in the United States certified by the American Dental Association. They are reputable, honorable and reliable in their own right, each of them with problems within their jurisdiction. The Iowa Dental Board (formerly known as the Iowa Board of Dental Examiners) decided in year 2000, while I served as Vice Chairman and with much study, to honor for licensure in Iowa the passage of BOTH, the CRDTS and WREB examination.

As a past chairman of the Iowa Board of Dental Examiners and a five year member of the CRDTS steering committee, we enjoyed, at that time, a close and cordial relationship with ALL dental colleges in the CRDTS jurisdiction. We exchanged examiners with WREB and honored their examinations. When I left the board, ADEX (An effort to have a unified examination) entered the picture shortly hereafter. CRDTS experienced management and leadership difficulties, and these two factors led to real problems for the College of Dentistry at the University of Iowa and I might add some other schools as well. Acting under the Code of Iowa, the College of Dentistry offered the WREB examinations to its soon to be graduates and has done so ever since.

I believe it is erroneous to force an applicant for licensure to take only one of the four examinations available to them under the Code of Iowa and deny them licensure after successful passage of any of the other three. It is discriminatory and begs legal resolution to the problem from which no one will benefit. Allow reciprocity of all certified jurisdictions.

In my opinion, created by the Iowa Dental Board, this divisive event has a simple solution.

- A. Continue to accept and honor passage of either CRDTS or WREB in Iowa, by not disturbing ten years of success under the existing Iowa Dental Practice Act within the Code of Iowa.
- B. Encourage CRDTS to upgrade it's credibility with the two dental colleges that left their exam and urge their return to CRDTS.
- C. Consider the idea the applicants themselves can choose which examination they wish to take and the college will honor the majority wishes of the class.
- D. If necessary, encourage the dental colleges to offer both examinations on different dates.

It appears to me that in this power struggle, the applicant for licensure is the forgotten victim. They have spent eight years of their lives and thousands of dollars of their money in a sincere desire to serve humanity. What test they take will NOT make them a better dentist. Indeed, forcing one test and only one test, will seriously aggravate the access to proper dental care in the State of Iowa. This issue will not make us a stronger profession. Let's get this issue resolved and behind us. This decision by the Iowa Dental Board will have a serious impact on the future practice of dentistry in the State of Iowa. It is my hope that the Board will rescind its "Notice of Intended Action" immediately, for the well being of all involved.

Sincerely Submitted,



LeRoy I. Strohman D.D.S.

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Dr. Gary Roth and members of the Iowa Dental Board,

We ask you to please consider moving the decertification of the Western Regional Board Exam (WREB) to August of 2011. Postponing the decertification of the WREB exam would ensure that the University of Iowa College of Dentistry's Class of 2011 would be able to stay in Iowa to practice following graduation. With such little time to prepare, we feel that moving to a later date would ensure that Iowa has a promising new group of dentists to provide Iowan's outstanding dental care well into the future.

As you may be aware, preparation for the licensure exam at The University of Iowa College of Dentistry begins prior to the start of the senior academic school year. When the College of Dentistry has hosted the Central Regional Dental Testing Service (CRDTS) in the past, preparation began in July preceding the fourth year. By not taking action until the late months of 2010 and, further, not having WREB officially be decertified until early 2011, we feel that the Iowa Dental Board has provided us insufficient time to fully prepare for the CRDTS licensure examination. Regardless of what exam will be administered in the following years, we feel that it is unjust to enforce such strong legislation this late in the game. We would like for you, as the Iowa Dental Board, to not place students in the political crossfire and postpone the WREB decertification until August of 2011. This will grandfather all 77 graduating seniors into the WREB examination and afford us the opportunity to stay here in Iowa without placing additional testing and undue stress on our final months of study.

We thank you greatly for your consideration and look forward to working with you in the future.

Best,

University of Iowa College of Dentistry, Class of 2011

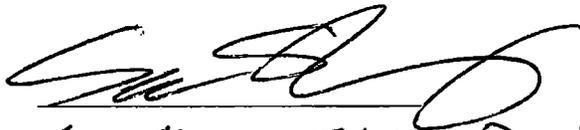
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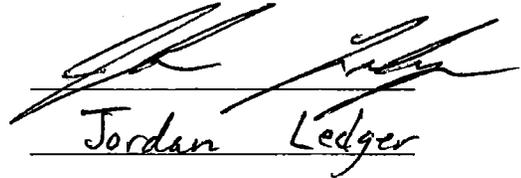
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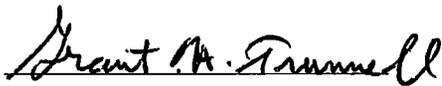
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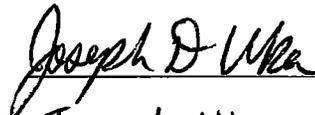
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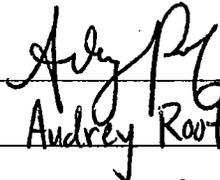
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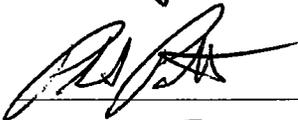
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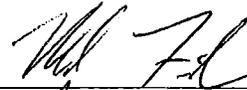
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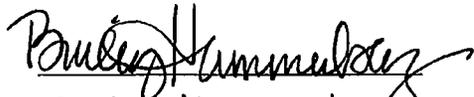
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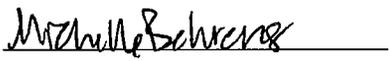
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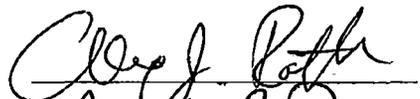
  
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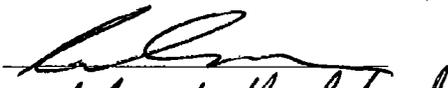
  
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Ms. Johnson:

Please forward to all the sitting board members.  
Eileen Cacioppo, RDH, MS

TO: Iowa Dental Board  
FROM: Eileen Cacioppo, RDH, MS  
SUBJECT: Iowa Administrative Code  
DATE: December 10, 2010

Dear Colleagues:

As a nine year veteran of the Iowa Dental Board and a Central Regional Dental Testing Service examiner I wish to share my thoughts and opinions on the Intended Action on Chapters 11 and 12 of the Iowa Administrative Code.

Over the past several years the IDB has tried to come to an agreement with the University of Iowa Dental College that they return to being the host of the CRDTS examination. Iowa is a member of very, very long standing with CRDTS and has always had full input into the development, maintenance, and administration of this regional exam. We have had sound representation through our very able volunteers from our dental board, many of which have served on the CRDTS Executive Board, the Exam Review Committees, and other committees when needed.

We have carefully evaluated the other regional exams but have found most wanting in critical areas that we felt Iowa licensees required to treat our citizens. After careful consideration we voted to accept the WREB examination along with CRDTS for both dental and dental hygiene licensure three years ago to ease the reciprocity process but we never voted to become a member of that organization. Our IDB members already volunteer huge amounts of time for virtually no compensation and we could not ask them to add additional time, effort, and travel to more states for more meetings and examinations. However, not being a member means Iowa has no vote or input into the conduct of the WREB examination. We continued to be fully involved in the CRDTS examinations, but found the University of Iowa Dental College no longer offering it in our home state!

Our institutions have the academic freedom and educational responsibility to prepare their students in their chosen professions but it is the responsibility of the Iowa Dental Board to examine, test, and then license those applicants to protect the citizens of Iowa. It obviously then is the choice of the IDB to determine who administers and under what auspices those examinations take place.

**I am in favor of the removal of the words "the American Board of Dental Examiners, Inc., (ADEX)" wherever it appears but I am NOT in favor of removal of Western Regional Examining Board, Inc (WREB) from the Code. My observations of the WREB dental hygiene examination has been very positive and I feel it tests those candidates adequately. I would however, offer an amendment to read somewhat as the Nebraska Dental Board decrees that they accept WREB Dental Examination with the passage of CRDTS Prosthetic Examination (since we previously felt this area was not as comprehensive as we would have liked). This would result in the University Dental College having to offer CRDTS to its students and an opportunity for applicants from other states having a place to be examined.**

I know you read and consider all correspondence so I hope you give some serious thought to the previous paragraph.



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Dear Ms. Johnson,

I am writing on behalf of the Western Regional Examining Board with regard to the Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 11, "Licensure to Practice Dentistry or Dental Hygiene," and Chapter 12, "Dental and Dental Hygiene Examinations," Iowa Administrative Code.

WREB leadership is both surprised and disappointed to learn of the proposed rule change. There is no explanation or apparent justification for this change that has been verbalized to WREB or to the University of Iowa.

The current political climate in the national dental and dental hygiene clinical licensure testing arena is one of expansion of acceptance of the various tests available to challenge dental and dental hygiene candidates. Mutual acceptance, which WREB strongly supports, allows for friendly competition among the testing agencies. We believe that this enhances the performance of all the testing agencies and contributes to everyone's success. In addition, mutual acceptance provides greater choice for candidates, flexibility in their scheduling and enhanced mobility for candidates as well, should they relocate after initial licensure.

It is important for the current members of the Iowa Board to understand how WREB came to examine in Iowa. Initially, we were invited to examine by the school's administration. This is the only avenue WREB pursues to add a new school to their list of examination sites. After the initial examination there, we were invited back because the collegiate administration was comfortable with the format and the candidate friendly nature of our exam. We are delighted to have the opportunity to examine at that site and will continue to do so for 2011. We will also accept an invitation, from the school, to provide the WREB examination in the future in order to accommodate the school and the student's who choose to take WREB for licensure in states that accept the WREB exam.

WREB is very dismayed by this spontaneous and regressive action taken by the state Board of Iowa. The dental schools, candidates and the clinical licensure community collectively will lose if this action to amend is approved.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Members of the WREB Executive Committee

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**IOWA DENTAL BOARD**

Dear Ms. Johnson:

We, as Family Dentistry Adjunct Faculty, are strongly opposed to the rule change proposed by the Iowa Dental Board. This rule change would eliminate Western Regional Examining Board (WREB) and the American Board of Dental Examiners, Inc. (ADEX) from the list of allowable examinations for dental licensure in Iowa and only accept Central Regional Dental Testing Service Inc. (CRDTS).

Family Dentistry adjunct faculty are full-time private practitioners in local communities who teach and work with senior dental students while they treat patients on the clinic floor. Most of us give one day a week from our private practice to benefit the students' educational experience.

This rule change is extremely unfair to our current senior dental students. They have been preparing and gearing up to take the WREB exam since their first year of dental school. The exam is scheduled at a time at the college when all seniors are available which is only 8 days of their final year.

Scheduling CRDTS at short notice is extremely unfair for the following reasons:

1. The students have not had time to prepare for CRDTS. Phasing in a new licensing exam would be less traumatic to all concerned, NOT changing exams in the middle of their final year.
2. The bench/mannequin part of the exam is usually scheduled in October. Now the entire exam (bench and patient) must be completed over one weekend in April.
3. The late scheduling and late notice of scheduling in April, handicaps students that will be on their extramural rotations. Many of these students cannot return to Iowa City in April to take CRDTS.

We, as faculty, have utmost confidence in our students' ability to graduate and practice dentistry. Obtaining a license to practice is part of that process and our students should be prepared to pass any exam. However, passing the exam takes preparation and time over their entire educational experience.

We urge the Iowa Dental Board to withdraw this rule change at this time. We strongly support the class of 2011 in taking the scheduled WREB exam. The Iowa Dental Board should accept WREB, CRDTS, and possibly other exams for Iowa dental licensure.

Sincerely,

Letter to Iowa Dental Board, December 8, 2010

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**Johnson, Melanie [IDB]**

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**From:** Gratz, Kirstina J [kirstina-moreno@uiowa.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 13, 2010 4:45 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Melanie [IDB]  
**Subject:** Iowa Dental Board licensing examination letter  
**Attachments:** board\_letter.docx

Melanie Johnson,

Please be sure my comments are heard by the Iowa Dental Board.

Thank you,

-Kirstina Gratz  
[kirstina-moreno@uiowa.edu](mailto:kirstina-moreno@uiowa.edu)

December 13, 2010

Dear Iowa Dental Board,

I would like to write in opposition to the proposed rule amendments concerning clinical examinations. As it is the board's responsibility to decide upon the examination(s) that are accepted for licensure in the state, I would encourage them to *accept all regional licensing exams*. If, as is stated by Dr. Gary Roth "All regional examinations have validity," then it is logical to accept all regional examinations without discrimination. This sends a clear message to all dentists that Iowa is accepting of all dental professionals. Already many counties in Iowa in need a dentist and that incidence will only increase with over 50% of Iowa's dentist over fifty. It would make sense for the Iowa Dental Board to do their part in aiding in this problem, versus sending mixed messages-"you can be a dentist here if you go through additional red tape." If your only concern is public safety, making it more complicated to become a dentist in Iowa is the opposite of what you should be doing for the public's best interest.

Iowa is in need of dentists, you are making it awfully tempting for a graduating senior like me to jump ship and practice in Illinois where they accept the exam that I've been expecting to take. Attracting new professionals to Iowa is equally as important, and a clean sweep of acceptance of all regional dental board examinations may attract (versus deter) new graduates from around the country to Iowa (something I'm sure our legislators would be happy about). I hope that you will make the right decision and be inclusive in your thinking versus exclusive. An inclusive message would return my sense of pride in Iowa as a leader in moving this nation forward in an otherwise stagnant political landscape.

Sincerely,

Kirstina Gratz

Fourth year dental student

## Johnson, Melanie [IDB]

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**From:** Slayton, Rebecca L [rebecca-slayton@uiowa.edu]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 15, 2010 7:47 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Melanie [IDB]  
**Subject:** Iowa Dental Board Proposed Ruling  
**Attachments:** Iowa Dental Board ltr.pdf

December 15, 2010

Melanie Johnson,  
Executive Director  
Iowa Dental Board  
400 SW 8<sup>th</sup> St, Suite D  
Des Moines, IA 50309-4687

Dear Ms. Johnson:

I am writing to express my disappointment and disagreement with the proposed rule revision that would result in decertification of WREB and ADEX for licensure in Iowa. I am a pediatric dentist, a faculty member at the University of Iowa College of Dentistry and a licensed dentist in Iowa and Washington. I received my dental and specialty training at the Iowa College of Dentistry and have served on the faculty at Iowa, Oregon Health & Science University and the University of Washington. I took the CRDTS exam in 1992.

I returned to Iowa in 2008 because I believe that the Iowa College of Dentistry is the best dental school in the country. I have also always viewed the state of Iowa as one of the few states in the country that truly cares about their residents and puts the best interests of Iowans ahead of political agendas. The recent proposed action by the Iowa Dental Board is just the opposite of what Iowa stands for and puts the best interests of a few individuals above those of the people of Iowa. It is an embarrassment, to say the least.

I am not privy to all of the history leading up to this action, but would like to share a few thoughts that I hope will be considered before making the final decision.

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I emphatically recommend that you reconsider your decision to decertify the WREB and ADEX exams for dental and dental hygiene licensure in Iowa. Please do what is best for Iowa.

Sincerely,

Rebecca L. Slayton, DDS, PhD  
Pediatric Dentist

December 12, 2010

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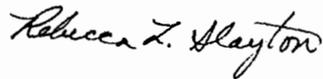
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rebecca L. Slayton".

Rebecca L. Slayton, DDS, PhD  
Pediatric Dentist

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December 14, 2010

Melanie Johnson, Executive Director  
Iowa Dental Board  
400 SW 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite D  
Des Moines, Iowa 50309—4687

Dear Ms. Johnson:

I am writing to commend the Iowa Dental Board's intention to amend Chapter 11, "Applications," and Chapter 12, "Examinations," Iowa Administrative Code, to eliminate the Western Regional Examining Board (WREB) and the American Board of Dental Examiners, Inc. (ADEX) from the list of allowable examinations for purposes of licensure. Dr. Roth's recent comment, "This will make all things right in the universe", is especially demonstrative.

Over the years, I have accumulated a wealth of information to challenge the logic and legality of clinical board exams. These include, but are not limited to, personal experiences as a candidate, observations as a full-time faculty member, ethical considerations, and research correlating examination performance with practice performance. One need only look to other jurisdictions to see there are more effective ways to protect the public *throughout* a dentist's career.

It is my hope that within 10 years, clinical board exams will cease to exist. Your decision to not recognize anyone's exam but your own (and mid-academic year, no less) will certainly add fuel to this debate. I thank you.

Sincerely yours,



Ruth D. Spieker

cc: Keith Saunders, Director State Relations

**Johnson, Melanie [IDB]**

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**From:** Stephen Thies [srthis@qwestoffice.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 20, 2010 4:51 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Melanie [IDB]  
**Subject:** notice to decertify WREB

Iowa Dental Board,

Please reconsider the intended action to decertify WREB as an accepted dental examination. The WREB examination is a credible examination and should be accepted as an examination for licensure in Iowa. The University of Iowa, College of Dentistry should be allowed to choose the examination that is offered to its students and to dental applicants. Serious consideration should be given to allow D-4 students an exemption to take the CRDTS examination. Establishing CRDTS as the only accepted examination is restrictive and counter to the national trend of accepting multiple testing entities for licensure.

Thank you,

Dr. Stephen R. Thies

**Johnson, Melanie [IDB]**

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**From:** Freed, Adam J. [freed@brownwinick.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 20, 2010 11:43 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Melanie [IDB]  
**Cc:** Cownie, Catherine C.  
**Subject:** Comments regarding proposed rules  
**Attachments:** Letter to Melanie Johnson re Clinical Examinations (12-20-10).pdf

Ms. Johnson:

Please find attached written comments regarding the Dental Board's proposed rules related to clinical examinations. These comments are being submitted on behalf of the Iowa Dental Association. Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you.

Adam



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December 20, 2010

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Melanie Johnson  
Executive Director  
Iowa Dental Board  
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Des Moines, Iowa 50309-4687

Re: Proposed rules related to clinical examinations

Dear Ms. Johnson:

This firm serves as counsel to the Iowa Dental Association (the "Association"). It has come to the attention of the Association that the Iowa Dental Board (the "Board") recently proposed rules (the "Proposed Rules") to designate the examination administered by the Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc. ("CRDTS") as the only clinical examination that the Board will recognize for purposes of licensure as a dentist in Iowa. The Proposed Rules would remove the examination offered by the Western Regional Examining Board, Inc. ("WREB") and also the examination offered by the American Board of Dental Examiners, Inc. ("ADEX") from the list of allowable examinations. The Association is concerned that the hasty nature of the process that led to the Proposed Rules has resulted in a proposal that would result in unfairness for dental students who intend to practice in Iowa and could impose an additional barrier to high-quality dental care, particularly in rural parts of Iowa. Therefore, the Association opposes the Proposed Rules.

For over eight years, the Board has offered dental students a choice of clinical examinations for purposes of licensure as a dentist in the state of Iowa. Since March 2002, the Board has accepted the examinations offered by both CRDTS and WREB for purpose of licensure as a dentist. Effective on May 31, 2006, the Board added the examination offered by ADEX to the list of approved examinations. By accepting multiple examinations, the Board improved the ability of dental students from other states who may have taken other examinations to achieve licensure in Iowa and to be able to serve otherwise underserved populations in Iowa.

Based on this long history of accepting multiple examinations, dental students have justifiably relied on the availability of the CRDTS, WREB, and ADEX examinations. The Board's last-minute decision to remove WREB and ADEX from the list of approved examinations is unfair to these students and could ultimately impose significant costs on these students since they would

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have to prepare for a different examination. The Proposed Rules would be especially unfair to current D-4 dental students, many of whom have been preparing for the WREB examination for months. The Association is pleased that during the Administrative Rules Review Committee ("ARRC") meeting on December 14, 2010, the Chairman of the Board, Dr. Gary Roth, committed to exempting the current class of D-4 dental students from the Proposed Rules.

During the ARRC meeting, Dr. Roth mentioned several times that the Board's most significant concern regarding the WREB examination is that the Board has no involvement in the administration of the WREB examination. Dr. Roth did not offer any evidence that the WREB examination is insufficient or that it results in licensure of unqualified dentists. Dr. Roth further indicated that the dental boards in a number of states have elected to be involved in multiple examinations. Dr. Roth never indicated whether the Board considered this option or why this would not be a legitimate solution.

The Association is concerned that the process that led to the Proposed Rules has been severely flawed. The Proposed Rules were presented to the members of the Board at the last-minute prior to the Board's telephonic meeting on November 2, 2010, thereby providing very little opportunity for discussion. In addition, all members of the Board were permitted to vote on the issue, despite the requirements of Iowa Code section 147.34, which provides that "[d]entists shall pass an examination approved by a majority of the dentist members of the dental board" (emphasis added). In addition, according to the minutes of that meeting, the proposal presented to the Board only related to removing the WREB examination from the list of approved examinations. The Proposed Rules as noticed in the Administrative Bulletin, however, would also remove the ADEX examination from the list.

The Association is concerned that the Board has so far been unwilling to accommodate the legitimate concerns raised by the Association and the University of Iowa College of Dentistry. For these reasons, the Association requests that the Board withdraw the Proposed Rules from consideration. The Association encourages the Board and its staff to meet with appropriate representatives of the University of Iowa College of Dentistry to resolve this issue expeditiously. If you have any questions regarding this issue, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,



Catherine C. Cownie

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**Johnson, Melanie [IDB]**

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**From:** Kanellis, Michael J [michael-kanellis@uiowa.edu]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 21, 2010 12:11 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Melanie [IDB]  
**Subject:** letter to board  
**Attachments:** Kanellis Elvers Letter to Iowa Dental Board.pdf

**Importance:** High

December 21, 2010

Melanie Johnson, Executive Director  
Iowa Dental Board  
400 SW 8<sup>th</sup> St., Suite D  
Des Moines, IA 50309-4687

Dear Ms. Johnson:

Thank you for taking my call earlier today and confirming that in lieu of driving to Des Moines today to make a public statement, I could e-mail you a copy of the statement I wish to submit for public record.

Sincerely,

Michael Kanellis, DDS, MS  
Associate Dean for Patient Care  
The University of Iowa College of Dentistry



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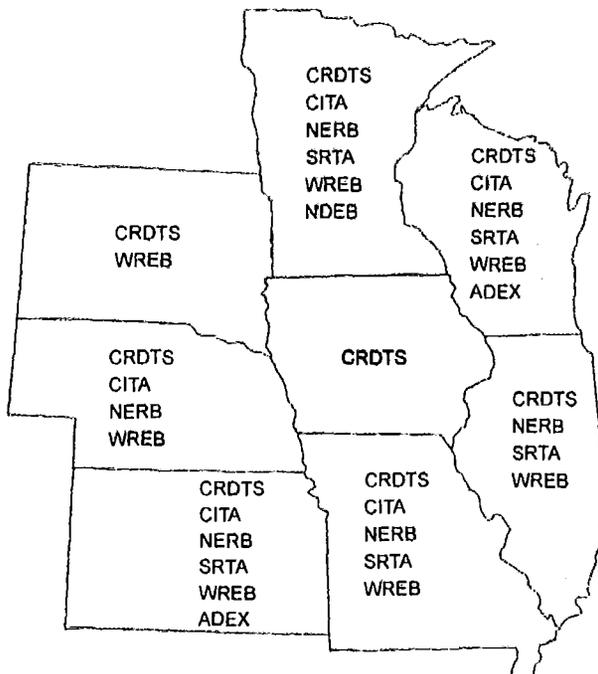
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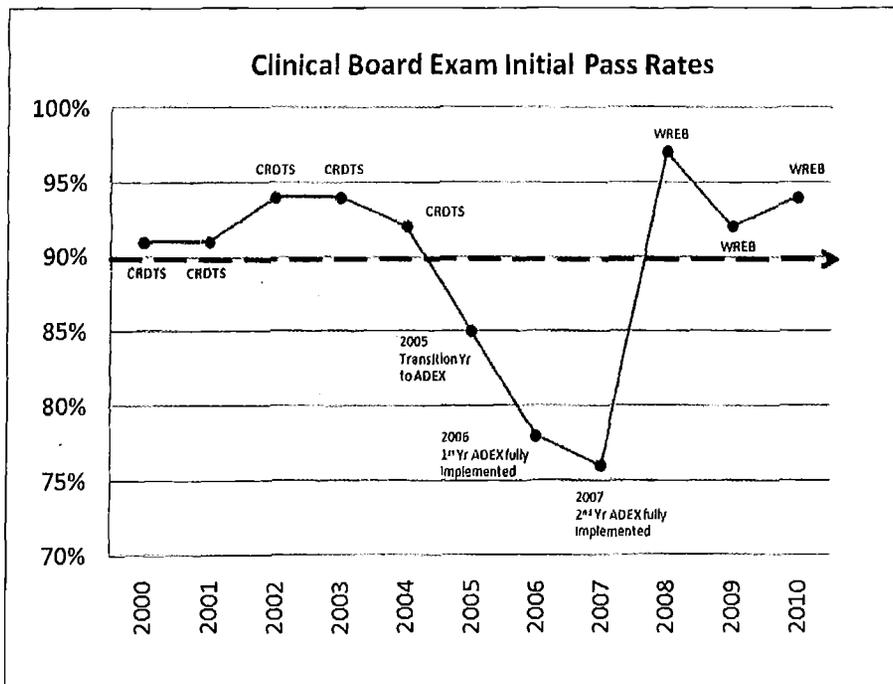
The Iowa Dental Board has recommended a rule change that would decertify the clinical board exams administered by both WREB and ADEX. We are strongly opposed to this recommended action and request that the Iowa Dental Board reconsider and withdraw their recommendation. Our reasons for objecting to the decertification of WREB and ADEX include the following:

1. Limiting the number of clinical board exams accepted for licensure in Iowa is unwise at a time when workforce issues and access to care are of serious concern. The largest cohort of dentists practicing in Iowa is within ten years of retirement. We are badly in need of dentists to take over their practices. Surrounding states have the same concern and have responded by opening their doors to multiple clinical board exams. The Iowa Dental Board's proposed rule change would take Iowa in the opposite direction. If the Iowa Dental Board is successful in decertifying WREB and ADEX, the clinical board exams accepted for licensure in Iowa and the surrounding states will look like the map below.



If we miss out on even a single dentist because of this proposed rule change, the equivalent of 1,500-2,000 fewer lowans will have a dentist.

2. When concerns about access to care have been raised, the leadership of the Iowa Dental Board has acknowledged them, and in several communications has stated that following the decertification of WREB and ADEX they plan to recertify them, but only for graduates of dental schools outside of Iowa. This would create an untenable situation for University of Iowa College of Dentistry graduates. At best it seems unfair, and at worst it appears discriminatory and potentially illegal. This action would create a scenario where an Iowa resident who graduates from dental school at Creighton (for example) would be eligible for licensure in Iowa if they pass WREB, whereas an Iowa resident who graduates from dental school at the University of Iowa would not.
3. To accept only one clinical board exam for licensure in Iowa creates a monopoly that we believe could be detrimental. When the Iowa Dental Board switched their clinical board exam from CRDTS to ADEX in 2005, the College of Dentistry followed suit and our pass rates sharply declined. As you can see in the accompanying chart, Iowa's historically consistent pass rates of 90-plus percent fell to 75 percent over a period of three years.\* The financial and emotional cost to our students was enormous. Fortunately, WREB was also accepted for licensure in Iowa at the time and the College of Dentistry was able to switch the exam we currently host. This resulted in an immediate return to historically acceptable pass rates. Not once during this process was there an outcry from the Iowa Dental Board that ADEX was a flawed exam. Instead, the outcry was against the University of Iowa's College of Dentistry for hosting the WREB exam. If the Iowa Dental Board had accepted only a single clinical board exam for licensure at that time, we could still be in this deleterious situation today.



4. The Iowa Dental Board's primary argument used to justify their proposed rules change is that they have a statutory duty to be involved in the examination process of dental students in Iowa. The language they cite is from Iowa Code 147.34 which states:

*Each board shall by rule prescribe the examination or examinations required for licensure for the profession and the manner in which an applicant shall complete the examination process. A board may develop and administer the examination, may designate a national, uniform, or other examination as the prescribed examination, or may contract for such services.*

We believe the language contained in the Iowa Code allows the Iowa Dental Board considerable latitude in interpreting what their exact role in the examination process is. They seem to have chosen to interpret it in a specific manner in order to justify their desire to decertify WREB and ADEX. While we do acknowledge the Iowa Dental Board's interest in being involved in the board examination process, we believe that decertifying WREB and ADEX is inappropriate and cannot be justified. A simpler and immediate solution for the Iowa Dental Board would be to do what other states have done, and become a member state of WREB, just as they are of CRDTS.

5. Finally, the proposed rule change would create an unfair burden for our current senior dental students who have been preparing for the WREB exam during the past year. We are thankful that the Iowa Dental Board shares this concern, as evidenced by Board Chairman Dr. Gary Roth's promise to exempt the current senior class from the proposed rules, made during his statement to the Administrative Rules Review Committee on December 14, 2010.

Respectfully Submitted,



Michael Kanellis, DDS, MS  
Associate Dean for Patient Care



Ron Elvers, DDS  
Director of Clinics

\* The pass rates cited above are for the initial testing only. Those who fail a section of the exam are required to retake it at a cost of several thousand dollars (\$700-800 for registration plus the cost of transportation, housing and meals for the applicant, patients and dental assistant) and significant stress. It is important to note that with all three exams (CRDTS, ADEX and WREB) our experience has been that essentially 100% of our seniors pass the retake exams with no time or effort directed at remediation between the first and second attempt. Failure on the clinical exam appears to be a random event as we have not been able to find a correlation between student performance in dental school and student performance on the clinical board exams.



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## IOWA DENTAL BOARD

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December 9, 2010

Dr. David C. Johnsen, D.D.S.  
Dean and Professor  
University of Iowa College of Dentistry  
200 Hawkins Drive,  
Iowa City, Iowa 52242-1010

RE: IDB Proposed Rule Amendments Concerning Clinical  
Examinations

Dear Dean Johnsen:

I received a copy of your letter to the Board office dated December 1, 2010 concerning the proposed rule amendments to establish CRDTS as the only clinical examination taken in Iowa.

First, let me say that we are receiving a lot of good, thoughtful comment from students, dentists and university officials during this public comment period. All comments will be considered prior to the adoption of final rules. Some commentators have raised concerns that I believe the Board could address in the final rules. I'm supportive of recommending these revisions to my fellow Board members:

- A July 1, 2011 effective date for the "CRDTS only" requirement to accommodate the current 4<sup>th</sup> year students. If a student takes WREB prior to this date, it will be accepted.
- Revisions to accept other clinical examinations taken by out-of-state recent graduates who want to practice in Iowa.

Any other situations could be addressed through the Board's existing waiver procedures.

At the October Dental Board meeting I recall you said the college doesn't want to argue with the Board about this subject, and you heard Board members say that they, too, don't want a dispute with the dental college about clinical examination requirements. Unfortunately, despite mutual good faith efforts over the past 2+ years of discussions and meetings, we have been unable to reach agreement.

The dental college's job is to educate dental students and the Board's job is licensure, regulation and oversight of dental professions. The dental college does an excellent job. It is a nationally-recognized school with a first-class faculty. As you know, many Board members graduated from the UI College of Dentistry and have served as adjunct professors over the years.

Similarly, the Board also works hard to do its job. With regard to licensure, the dentist members of the Board are statutorily responsible for deciding what examination(s) are accepted for dental licensure in the state. See Iowa Code §147.34:

" Each board shall by rule prescribe the examination or examinations required for licensure for the profession and the manner in which an applicant shall complete the examination process. A Board may develop and administer the examination, may designate a national, uniform, or other

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examination as the prescribed examination, or may contract for such services. **Dentists shall pass an examination approved by a majority of the dentist members of the dental board.**

The proposed rule amendments are designed to discharge that duty. The Board wants to work with the dental college to retain dental graduates in the state of Iowa, but must also meet its responsibility to select the appropriate examination for dental licensure. The Board believes that these objectives are accomplished by establishing CRDTS as the clinical examination that will be taken in Iowa.

The proposed amendments to the rules are about re-establishing the Board as actively engaged in the licensure process from the point of examination to final licensing. As you know, there was a period in the Board's history when it designed and administered the clinical examinations directly. The name of the Board then was the "Iowa Board of Dental Examiners." It was intended that this Board be an active participant in examinations. Over the years, regional testing agencies such as CRDTS, WREB, NERB, etc. have emerged as the professional organizations capable of administering clinical examinations.

CRDTS is the regional examination in which Board members have actively participated for many decades, and for most of that time, CRDTS was the only examination administered at the dental college and the only examination accepted for licensure by examination in Iowa. Yet CRDTS has not been offered at Iowa's only dental college for the last three years. When the Board amended its rules to accept WREB the purpose was to expand reciprocity. The rule change was to permit out-of-state dentists who took other clinical examinations to get an Iowa license. That rule amendment was never intended to be used to exclude the Board from the examination process in its own state.

Five of the members of the Iowa Dental Board are licensed dentists, two are licensed dental hygienists and two are members of the public. They all willingly volunteer their time to serve the citizens of Iowa. Each Board member commits to four regularly scheduled two-day meetings a year. In addition, they participate in approximately ten or more special telephonic meetings annually. In exchange for their service on this state board, they receive reimbursement for travel, meals and lodging at the customary state limits plus a \$50/ per diem.

Not only do these individuals serve on the Dental Board, many of them also serve as volunteer examiners for CRDTS and participate on CRDTS committees. This takes them away from their practice for another 8-10 days a year. In exchange for their service on CRDTS, examiners receive reimbursement for travel and lodging and a \$250 per diem to cover incidental expenses. The amount of lost revenue resulting from closing their dental practices far exceeds the small amount received. In effect, it is another volunteer service they provide out of dedication to the profession. Some have asked why the Board members can't also get involved with WREB as examiners. The time commitment required to run their dental practice, to serve on the state Board, volunteer for CRDTS as an examiner, and participate on CRDTS committees makes it very difficult for Board members to participate in more than one regional testing organization.

The Board members' involvement in CRDTS benefits the citizens of Iowa, including the students taking this test, because Board members are in a position to participate in the development of CRDTS' policies regarding test quality and administration, to participate in appeals of test results, and to address any concerns about the examination process that may arise.

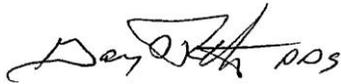
I'd like to address each of the concerns you raised in your letter: validity of the various regional examinations, access to care, and impact on current fourth year students:

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- *All regional examinations have validity, but that is not the issue.* The proposed rule amendments are not a question of which test is better than another, as you seem to suggest. Both of us agree that there is evidence to conclude that all the regional clinical examinations are valid.
- *This is not an access to care issue.* The amendments were also not intended to limit access to quality dental care. Out-of-state dentists seeking an Iowa license are eligible to apply based on the existing “licensure by credentials” process. That does not change.
- *Potential hardship on 4<sup>th</sup> year students.* You wrote that these amendments would impose a hardship on current fourth year dental students. We have not heard this argument before from the college, but we did try to initiate a rulemaking timeline that would allow for a smooth transition to CRDTS. This action was taken far enough in advance of the spring, 2011 testing cycle to ensure a smooth transition for the college and its students. (See enclosed copy of my 11/2/10 letter to you and the President of the Iowa American Student Dental Association). As I stated early in this letter, I will recommend the Board amend the rules to ensure any hardship to 4<sup>th</sup> year students is addressed.

Please feel free to contact me directly if you would like to discuss this subject further.

Sincerely,



Gary Roth, D.D.S., Chair  
Iowa Dental Board

Enclosure

cc: Administrative Rules Review Committee  
Larry Carl, Executive Director, Iowa Dental Association  
Sean Sherry, President, Iowa Student Dental Association

# REPORT TO THE IOWA DENTAL BOARD

ACTION

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**DATE OF MEETING:** January 25-26, 2011  
**RE:** Rule Waiver Request from Dr. Catherine Reno, D.D.S.  
**SUBMITTED BY:** Jennifer Hart, Executive Officer/Rules Administrator  
**ACTION REQUESTED:** Approval of Rule Waiver Petition

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## Background

Dr. Catherine Reno submitted the attached petition for waiver requesting a permanent waiver of the training requirement required by Board rule 29.76(1) “a” and “b”. This rule prohibits a dentist from using nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia for dental patients, unless the dentist has received board-approved training or completed equivalent training while a dental student:

### **650—29.6(153) Nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia.**

**29.6(1)** A dentist may use nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia sedation on an outpatient basis for dental patients provided the dentist:

- a.* Has completed a board approved course of training; or
- b.* Has training equivalent to that required in 29.6(1)“a” while a student in an accredited school of dentistry, and
- c.* Has adequate equipment with fail-safe features and minimum oxygen flow which meets FDA standards.
- d.* Has routine inspection, calibration, and maintenance on equipment performed every two years and maintains documentation of such, and provides documentation to the board upon request.
- e.* Ensures the patient is continually monitored by qualified personnel while receiving nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia.

## Request to Waive Rule Based on Prior Experience

Dr. Reno has indicated that in lieu of compliance with the rule, she would like the Board to authorize her to utilize nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia based on her 16 years of experience in utilizing nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia for dental patients during her practice as a licensed dentist in California. In addition, she has stated that she would meet all other requirements for the use of nitrous oxide, including ensuring the equipment has fail-safe features and minimum oxygen flow which meets FDA standards; ensuring equipment has routine inspection, calibration, and maintenance performed every two years, and ensuring that the patients are continually monitored by qualified personnel while receiving nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia.

## Criteria for Waiver

Board rules provide a procedure by which an individual may request waiver of a Board rule. The criteria used to determine if a waiver should be granted are:

**7.4(4) Criteria for waiver.** In response to a petition completed pursuant to subrule 7.4(6), the board may in its sole discretion issue an order waiving in whole or in part the requirements of a rule if the board finds, based on clear and convincing evidence, all of the following: *a.* The application of the rule would impose an undue hardship on the person for whom the waiver is requested; *b.* The waiver from the requirements of the rule in the specific case would not prejudice the substantial legal rights of any person; *c.* The provisions of the rule subject to the petition for a waiver are not specifically mandated by statute or another provision of law; and *d.* Substantially equal protection of public health, safety, and welfare will be afforded by a means other than that prescribed in the particular rule for which the waiver is requested.

BEFORE THE IOWA DENTAL BOARD

Petition by Catherine Reno, DDS, for the  
waiver of 650 IAC subrule 29.6(1) "a"  
relating to nitrous oxide training requirements

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PETITION FOR  
WAIVER

1. Petitioner's name, address, and telephone number. All communications concerning the petition can be directed to the address, phone, and e-mail address listed below.

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2. I am requesting a waiver of 650 Iowa Administrative Code subrule 29.6(1) "a" or "b", which states,

29.(1) A dentist may use nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia sedation on an outpatient basis for dental patients provided the dentist:

- a. Has completed a board approved course of training; or
- b. Has training equivalent to that required in 29.6(1) "a" while a student in an accredited school of dentistry.

3. Describe the specific waiver requested, including the precise scope and time period for which the waiver will extend: I would like the Board to grant a permanent waiver to 650 IAC subrule 29.6(1) "a" and "b", which requires that a dentist shall not use nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia for dental patients, unless the dentist has received board-approved training or completed equivalent training while a dental student. In lieu of compliance with this subrule, I would like the board to authorize me to utilize nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia based on my 16 years of experience in utilizing nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia for dental patients during my practice as a licensed dentist in California. In addition, I would meet all other requirements for the use of nitrous oxide, including ensuring the equipment has fail-safe features and minimum oxygen flow which meets FDA standards; ensuring equipment has routine inspection, calibration, and maintenance performed every two years, and ensuring that the patients are continually monitored by qualified personnel while receiving nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia.

4. Explain the relevant facts and reasons that the petitioner believes justify a waiver. Include in your answer all of the following:

- a. Undue Hardship. Compliance with the rule would impose an undue hardship caused by the time, expense, and burden of completing a course in nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia when I already have substantial experience in the use of nitrous oxide. Additionally, I have tried to find courses in the Midwest area and have been unsuccessful.

b. Why Waiving the Rule Would Not Prejudice the Substantial Legal Rights of Any Person. Waiver of the rule would not prejudice the substantial legal rights of any person because nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia will be provided by qualified personnel. This ensures and protects public health, safety, and welfare.

c. The Provisions of the Rule Subject to the Waiver are NOT Specifically Mandated by Statute or Another Provision of Law. Iowa Code Chapter 153 does not mandate the requirements of rule 650—29.6(153).

d. Substantially Equal Protection of the Public Health, Safety, and Welfare has been Afforded. The subrule that I am requesting a waiver from helps to ensure that dental patients are protected by ensuring that nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia is provided by qualified and trained dental personnel. I have utilized nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia in my dental practice in California for approximately 16 years. I am a 1994 graduate of the University of California-San Francisco. During my education, nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia was taught to dental students there. Upon graduation, I began practicing in California and was grandfathered into California state law requirements concerning the use of nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia. I successfully provided this service to my dental patients for 16 years without adverse occurrences. Additionally, I will adhere to all other requirements concerning the use of nitrous to ensure and protect the health and safety of my patients.

5. A history of prior contacts between the board and petitioner related to the regulated activity is as follows.

- 2010 – licensure application and contacts concerning the use of nitrous oxide and availability of training courses in nitrous. After trying to find courses, unsuccessfully, I was advised to apply for a waiver of the requirements.

6. Information related to the board’s action in similar cases: The board has received no similar requests for waiver of this subrule.

7. There is no other public agency or political subdivision that regulates dentistry in Iowa.

8. I am not aware of any person or entity that would be adversely affected by the granting of a waiver in this case.

9. Provide the name, address, and telephone number of any person with knowledge of the relevant facts relating to the proposed waiver. (N/A)

10. I hereby authorize the Board to obtain any information relating to this waiver request from the individuals named herein. I will provide signed releases of information if necessary.

I hereby attest to the accuracy and truthfulness of the above information.

Catherine Reno DDS  
Petitioner’s signature

12/30/10  
Date

# REPORT TO THE IOWA DENTAL BOARD

DISCUSSION

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**DATE OF MEETING:** January 25-26, 2011  
**RE:** **Volunteer Health Care Provider (VHCPP) Rule Amendments**  
**SUBMITTED BY:** Melanie Johnson, Executive Director  
**ACTION REQUESTED:** Review and Discussion of IDPH Rule Amendments

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## **Request for Review of Iowa Department of Public Health’s VHCPP Rule Amendments**

The attached request was received at the board office asking that the Iowa Dental Board review proposed rule amendments initiated by the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH). For purposes of the VHCPP program only, IDPH proposed the following definitions:

*“Major dental surgery”* means oral or maxillofacial surgery which requires deep sedation or general anesthesia.

*“Minor dental surgery”* means the simple minimally invasive removal of teeth and soft tissue incisions, including the surgical removal of a small foreign body, drainage of infection and small cysts, or the surgical removal of broken or decayed teeth at or below the gum line.

*“Minor surgical procedure”* means a surgical procedure ordinarily performed in a private provider’s office, free clinic, or specialty health care provider office.

## **Background**

The Iowa Department of Public Health has proposed rule amendments to VHCPP. In advance of the October Board meeting, IDPH contacted the board office about the draft amendments. They inquired about the possibility of making a presentation to the full Board. They indicated they would be consulting with other stakeholders, such as the Iowa Dental Association, for input prior to the filing of proposed rule amendments. After reviewing the request with the Board Chair, it was determined that the Board traditionally does not take formal action on IDPH rule amendments. Because these definitions were limited to the VHCPP program only and define what the program will and will not cover, the amendments were viewed as policy decisions for IDPH re: the appropriate degree of financial risk that should be covered under their program. These definitions do not apply to the Board’s oversight, licensure or discipline of dentists.

The last day for public comment was December 21, 2010. IDPH received comments from IDA re: the proposed rules. IDPH has been contacted regarding the future plans for this rulemaking.

## **For Discussion**

Does the Board wish to take any formal action to provide input to IDPH about the proposed definitions?

## **Attached for review**

- ❖ Copy of 12/7/10 Letter from Dr. Bruce Cochrane, D.D.S. requesting Board review
- ❖ Copy of 12/13/10 Letter from IDA to Dawn Mouw, IDPH re: VHCPP amendments
- ❖ Copy of the IDPH Notice of Intended Action (proposed VHCPP amendments).
- ❖ Copy of letter from Heather Adams, Assistant Attorney General, to IDA (added 1/18/11)

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IOWA DENTAL BOARD

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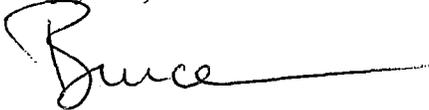
I recently received a copy of the Iowa Department of Public Health's proposed rule changes with regards to the Volunteer Health Care Provider Program, in which they adopt new definitions defining major and minor dental surgery and minor surgical procedures. It strikes me as incongruous that the Department of Public Health is defining dentistry and dental procedures. I can see the potential for a number of pitfalls in this situation. I have been advised by Larry Carl, Executive Director of the Iowa Dental Association, that Dr. Bob Russell, of the Iowa Department of Public Health, has advised him that he was not the source for these definitions which in my mind means that some bureaucratic non-dental executive is making decisions and defining dentistry for which he or she is wholly unqualified. In my mind as an Iowa dental provider it is the duty and prerogative of the Board of Dental Examiners and only the Board to define dentistry.

I further understand from Mr. Carl that the Department of Public Health addressed this issue to Dr. Roth and Dr. Roth advised the Department of Public Health that the Board of Dental Examiners had no interest in these rule changes. I would respectfully ask that you present this information to the Board of Dental Examiners and that the issue be revisited.

I am sure, as it occurs in many situations, I do not have access to all of the pertinent information as to how these decisions were made, but I am deeply alarmed by these rule proposals and I think it is an issue that the Board of Dental Examiners as a whole should voice an opinion on.

I appreciate your interest in this matter.

Sincerely yours,



Dr. R Bruce Cochrane DDS  
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Cc; Larry Carl; Dr. Lynn Curry



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Re: Volunteer Health Care Provider Program Proposed Rules

Dear Ms. Mouw:

As noted in my previous correspondence in April and June of this year, this firm serves as counsel to the Iowa Dental Association (the "Association"). The Association and its member dentists are committed to ensuring that all Iowans, regardless of socio-economic status, have access to high-quality dental care. In fact, last month, members of the Association provided dental treatment at no cost to more than 1,500 low-income Iowans at the U.S. Cellular Center in Cedar Rapids during the Association's annual Iowa Mission of Mercy. These services were valued at more than \$950,000.

It has come to the attention of the Association that on December 1, 2010 the Iowa Department of Public Health (the "Department") proposed new rules (the "Proposed Rules") related to the Volunteer Health Care Provider Program ("VHCPP"). As you know, the Department adopted new rules related to the VHCPP last summer. Those rules went into effect on July 7, 2010. Although the Department had originally proposed to adopt new definitions of "minor dental surgery" and "primary dental care service," the Department chose not to include these definitions in the final rules. The Department explained that it would not adopt those definitions at that time "to allow discussion with the Dental Board and the Iowa Dental Association." In response, we submitted a letter on June 14, 2010, accepting this invitation to begin a dialogue between the Department and the Association. Unfortunately, it appears that the Department's invitation was less than genuine as the Department has now proposed new rules without following through on its offer of dialogue.

The Association remains concerned that the Proposed Rules improperly discriminate against

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VHCPP dental patients by limiting the services that such patients can obtain from dentists participating in the VHCPP. Such discrimination threatens to limit the ability of the Association's member dentists to provide care for low-income Iowans. The Association, therefore, opposes the Proposed Rules.

As noted in my previous correspondence, the rules that the Department originally proposed in March 2010 would have severely limited the ability of VHCPP dental patients to obtain critical dental services that are necessary to their oral health, including services that would be readily available to a patient with the ability to pay in virtually any dental office in the state. The Proposed Rules do nothing to alleviate this concern. The authorizing statute for the VHCPP provides that the Department of Public Health may identify the services to be provided through the VHCPP, which "may include but shall not be limited to . . . dental services provided under chapter 153." Iowa Code Section 153.13 provides that persons engaged in the "practice of dentistry" include:

Persons who perform examination, diagnosis, treatment, and attempted correction by any medicine, appliance, surgery, or other appropriate method of any disease, condition, disorder, lesion, injury, deformity, or defect of the oral cavity and maxillofacial area, including teeth, gums, jaws, and associated structures and tissue, which methods by education, background experience, and expertise are common to the practice of dentistry.

The Proposed Rules would curtail the scope of practice of dentists participating in the VHCPP and would limit the services that VHCPP patients can receive from dentists participating in the VHCPP. Rather than permitting dentists to provide the full range of services that are included in the "practice of dentistry," as indicated in the statute, the Department draws unwarranted distinctions within the scope of practice of dentists. These distinctions include "major dental surgery," "minor dental surgery," and "minor surgical procedures." Under Iowa law, the Iowa Dental Board is charged with defining the scope of practice of dentists. By restricting the scope of practice of dentists participating in the VHCPP, the Department intrudes into the jurisdiction of the Dental Board. Defining the scope of practice of dentists should be left to the exclusive discretion of the Iowa Dental Board.

The Association is also concerned that by codifying these definitions in the Administrative Code, the Department opens the possibility for other agencies to incorporate these definitions by reference for purposes other than the VHCPP. Defining which procedures constitute the practice of dentistry, and creating any necessary subdivisions within the practice of dentistry, should remain the exclusive province of the Dental Board. A majority of the members of the Dental Board are licensed dentists. Therefore, only the Dental Board has the necessary expertise to make such determinations.

Unlike the rules that the Department proposed in March, the Proposed Rules would impose some similar restrictions on the services that VHCPP patients can obtain from other participating

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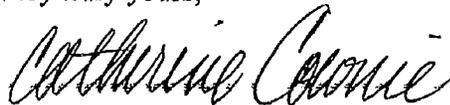
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health-care professionals. For example, the Proposed Rules would require physicians performing "major surgical procedures" to do so in a hospital or outpatient surgical facility that has executed a sponsor entity agreement, to assure adequate presurgical and postsurgical care, and to be a specialty health care provider. In the case of physicians, however, the Proposed Rules do not define what constitutes a "major surgical procedure." The Department apparently decided to defer to the Iowa Board of Medicine with respect to the definition of "major surgical procedure." Likewise, the Department should defer to the Iowa Dental Board to define what constitutes the major and minor dental surgery.

The Proposed Rules also include internal inconsistencies that could lead to confusion or unintended interpretations. Although the Proposed Rules define "major dental surgery" and "minor dental surgery," the Proposed Rules do not define what constitutes "primary dental care service." Instead of dividing the scope of practice of dentists, the Proposed Rules should be modified to cover all services that constitute the "practice of dentistry," as defined in Iowa Code section 153.13, subject to the exclusion of services that are limited to dentists who are designated as specialists under the rules of the Iowa Dental Board.

For these reasons, the Association opposes the Proposed Rules and urges the Department to revise the Proposed Rules to reflect the Association's concerns. On behalf of the Association, I reiterate that the Association stands ready to discuss these concerns with the Department. I would welcome the opportunity to schedule a meeting with you and appropriate representatives of the Department to begin a dialogue and to resolve these concerns. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,



Catherine C. Cownie

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January 7, 2011

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Dear Ms. Cownie:

On behalf of the Department of Public Health, I am responding to your correspondence of December 13, 2010, regarding the Volunteer Health Care Provider Program's (VHCPP) proposed administrative rules. I must first echo the Department's apology for failing to provide the Iowa Dental Association (IDA) with a draft of the proposed rules prior to publicly noticing the rules. The Department sent a draft of the proposed rules to several organizations for their input and comment prior to noticing the rules, and IDA was inadvertently not included on this group email. This was a staff oversight and one we regret; please accept our apologies.

While we certainly understand and appreciate IDA's concerns about the manner in which the rules were publicly noticed, we are surprised about the concerns regarding the actual substance of the rules. The proposed rules broaden the scope of services for which VHCPP dentists may receive defense and indemnification from the program. As you know, the rules as they currently stand provide VHCPP coverage for dentists for "minor surgical procedures" and do not provide coverage for major dental surgical procedures. In response to concerns raised by IDA previously over this issue, the Department is proposing with these rules to expand the scope of covered services to include "major dental surgery" performed under certain reasonable conditions. The fact that the Department's efforts to significantly broaden the scope of covered services for dentists participating in the program has been met with such resistance from IDA is disappointing.

I would like to respond to IDA's concerns as articulated in your correspondence. You first raise concern that the VHCPP rules restrict the scope of practice for

dentists practicing in the state of Iowa. We believe it is important for the IDA to understand the scope of these proposed rules and the purpose for the VHCPP. The VHCPP does not purport to -- nor could it legally -- establish or restrict the scope of practice for dentists who practice in this state; rather the VHCPP is charged with establishing the conditions under which health care providers, including dentists, may be defended and indemnified by the State of Iowa for providing free health care to uninsured Iowans.

The State of Iowa through the VHCPP defends and indemnifies providers in much the same way as private malpractice insurers provide coverage for those providers whom they insure; and the VHCPP has an obligation to ensure that the providers who participate in the program and the services provided under the program do not pose an undue risk to the State of Iowa. Just as private professional liability insurers review a provider's education, background, practice location, practice history, and proposed health services in determining whether and at what premium to offer coverage to a provider, the VHCPP similarly reviews those and other factors in determining which providers and services should be covered by the state general fund and Attorney General's Office.

The VHCPP has a duty to ensure both that Iowans are receiving competent care under the program and that the state general fund is not exposed to undue risk by providers in the program or the services covered by the VHCPP, and it takes these obligations very seriously -- mindful both of the vulnerable Iowans who receive care through the program and the taxpayer funds on the line if a claim is lodged against a VHCPP provider or entity. In sum, the proposed rules do not restrict the scope of practice for dentists practicing in Iowa; the rules apply only to those dentists who choose to participate in the VHCPP and for that specific group of dentists the rules define those services for which the VHCPP dentists may receive defense and indemnification coverage from the state of Iowa.

Second, the Department does not believe there is merit to the assertion that the Department's adoption of these definitions for the limited purpose of the VHCPP will lead to other state agencies incorporating these definitions for separate and distinct purposes. Again, the VHCPP is not through these rules "defining which procedures constitute the practice of dentistry" as stated in your letter, it is defining -- and expanding -- the current scope of procedures for which VCHPP dentists may receive coverage from the state to include major surgical procedures. The applicability of these definitions to any other state agency or program is nil; the impact on the Dental Board's authority to define scope of practice for dentists is equally nonexistent. In addition, we feel it is important to note that the VHCPP has involved the Dental Board and its staff throughout this rulemaking process and has sought input from the board staff on all relevant issues.

Finally, the Department has considered your comments regarding physician coverage and will be incorporating a definition of "major surgical procedure" within the rules. Thank you for highlighting that inconsistency so that we may address it during this rulemaking process.

Department staff and I would welcome the opportunity to meet with IDA representatives to further discuss these issues. We are available January 20<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. or January 21<sup>st</sup> from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Please let me know whether you would like to meet and if so whether either of these times work for you and your client.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Heather L. Adams", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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## PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT[641]

## Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b.”

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 135.24, the Department of Public Health hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 88, “Volunteer Health Care Provider Program,” Iowa Administrative Code.

These amendments provide clarification on surgery to be performed in a volunteer health care provider clinic, where surgery can be performed, who can perform the surgery, and the required follow-up for the surgery. The amendments also alphabetically organize the health care provider professions eligible to receive Volunteer Health Care Provider Program (VHCPP) protection. Definitions have been added to provide further clarification regarding the VHCPP.

Any interested person may make written comments on these proposed amendments on or before December 21, 2010, addressed to Dawn Mouw, Division of Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention, Department of Public Health, 8809 Woodmayr Circle, Norwalk, Iowa 50211; E-mail [dawn.mouw@idph.state.ia.us](mailto:dawn.mouw@idph.state.ia.us).

Also, a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, December 21, 2010, from 9 to 10 a.m on GoToMeeting. Interested persons may join the meeting by computer by accessing the following Web site: <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/join/847635881>. The use of microphone and speakers (VoIP) or a headset is recommended. Or interested persons may join the meeting by telephone in the U.S. and Canada (toll-free) 1-877-568-4106; the access code is 847-635-881, and an audio PIN will be shown after the person joins the meeting. Persons may present their views either orally or in writing. At the hearing, persons will be asked to give their names and addresses for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of the amendments.

Any person who plans to participate in the public hearing and has special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact the Department to advise of specific needs.

These amendments are intended to implement 2009 Iowa Code Supplement section 135.24.

The following amendments are proposed.

ITEM 1. Adopt the following new definitions in rule 641—88.2(135):

- “Major dental surgery” means oral or maxillofacial surgery which requires deep sedation or general anesthesia.
- “Minor dental surgery” means the simple minimally invasive removal of teeth and soft tissue incisions, including the surgical removal of a small foreign body, drainage of infection and small cysts, or the surgical removal of broken or decayed teeth at or below the gum line.
- “Minor surgical procedure” means a surgical procedure ordinarily performed in a private provider’s office, free clinic, or specialty health care provider office.

ITEM 2. Amend rule 641—88.2(135), definitions of “Sponsor entity” and “Sponsor entity agreement,” as follows:

“Sponsor entity” or “sponsor entity clinic” means a hospital, clinic, free clinic, health care facility, health care referral program, charitable organization, specialty health care provider office or field dental clinic. Each sponsor entity has a fully executed sponsor entity agreement. The sponsor entity agreement shall allow an individual volunteer health care provider to deliver health care services to uninsured and underinsured persons as an agent of the state.

“Sponsor entity agreement” means a signed contract between the VHCPP and a hospital, clinic, free clinic, health care facility, health care referral program, charitable organization, specialty health care

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provider office or field dental clinic allowing an individual volunteer health care provider to deliver free health care services through the VHCPP at the sponsor entity location.

ITEM 3. Amend paragraphs 88.3(2)"d" and "e" as follows:

d. The protected clinic shall submit a list of the clinic board of directors and contact information for the board of directors, if applicable.

e. If the protected clinic is a charitable organization within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, the protected clinic shall submit provide proof of IRC Section 501(c)(3) status to the VHCPP.

ITEM 4. Amend subrule 88.3(3) as follows:

**88.3(3) Sponsor entity or sponsor entity clinic.** As a condition of sponsoring individual volunteer health care providers in the VHCPP, a hospital, clinic, free clinic, health care facility, health care referral program, charitable organization, specialty health care provider office or field dental clinic shall comply with subrules 88.4(1) through 88.4(5).

ITEM 5. Amend subparagraph 88.5(1)"d"(1) as follows:

(1) Advanced registered nurse practitioners for: well-child examinations; annual adult examinations; diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic conditions; health education; health maintenance; immunizations; and minor surgical procedures. Certified registered nurse anesthetists may provide anesthesia services for major surgical procedures only if the following conditions are satisfied:

1. The surgery is performed in a hospital as defined in Iowa Code section 135B.1(3) or an outpatient surgical facility as defined in Iowa Code section 135.61(21);

2. The hospital or outpatient surgical facility at which the surgery is performed has executed a sponsor entity agreement;

3. The physician performing the surgery provides or assures the provision of adequate presurgical and postsurgical care, including any follow-up necessary to address postoperative complications; and

4. The physician performing the surgery is an individual specialty health care provider or part of a group of specialty health care providers which has registered with the department as a specialty health care provider office.

ITEM 6. Amend subparagraph 88.5(1)"d"(3) as follows:

(3) Bachelor social workers for: psychosocial assessment and intervention through direct contact with clients; referral to other qualified resources for assistance; performance of social histories; problem identification; establishment of goals and monitoring of progress; interviewing techniques; counseling; social work administration; supervision; evaluation; interdisciplinary consultation and collaboration; and research of service delivery, including development and implementation of organizational policies and procedures in program management.

ITEM 7. Amend subparagraph 88.5(1)"d"(7) as follows:

→ (7) Dentists for: dental examinations; diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic conditions; health education; health maintenance; and minor surgical procedures primary dental care services; minor dental surgery; and major dental surgery.

1. Minor dental surgery is a covered health care service only if the following conditions are satisfied:

- The dentist performs the surgery at a sponsor entity or protected clinic; and
- The dentist provides or assures the provision of adequate presurgical and postsurgical care, including any follow-up necessary to address postsurgical complications.

→ 2. Major dental surgery is a covered health care service only if the following conditions are satisfied:

- The dentist performs the surgery in the dentist's private office or other facility at which major dental surgery is ordinarily performed;

- The dentist provides or assures the provision of adequate presurgical and postsurgical care, including any follow-up necessary to address postsurgical complications; and

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→ 3. The dentist performing the surgery is an individual specialty health care provider or part of a group of specialty health care providers which has registered with the department as a specialty health care provider office.

ITEM 8. Amend subparagraphs 88.5(1)"d"(15) to (20) as follows:

~~(15)~~ Optometrists for: examinations; diagnosis and treatment of the human eye and adnexa; health education; and health maintenance.

~~(15)~~ (16) Pharmacists for: drug dispensing; patient counseling; health screenings and education; and immunizations.

~~(16)~~ (17) Physical therapists for: interpretation of performance, tests, and measurements; evaluation and treatment of human capabilities and impairments; use of physical agents, therapeutic exercises, and rehabilitative procedures to prevent, correct, minimize, or alleviate a physical impairment; establishment and modification of physical therapy programs; treatment planning; and patient instruction/education.

~~(17)~~ (18) Physicians and physician assistants for: well-child examinations; annual adult examinations; diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic conditions; health education; health maintenance; immunizations; and minor surgical procedures. Physicians may perform major surgical procedures if the following conditions are satisfied:

1. The surgery is performed in a hospital as defined in Iowa Code section 135B.1(3) or an outpatient surgical facility as defined in Iowa Code section 135.61(21);

2. The hospital or outpatient surgical facility at which the surgery is performed has executed a sponsor entity agreement;

3. The physician provides or assures the provision of adequate presurgical and postsurgical care, including any follow-up necessary to address postoperative complications; and

4. The physician performing the surgery is an individual specialty health care provider or part of a group of specialty health care providers which has registered with the department as a specialty health care provider office.

~~(19)~~ Podiatrists for: examinations; diagnosis and treatment; health education; health maintenance; and minor surgical procedures.

~~(18)~~ (20) Psychologists for: counseling and the use of psychological remedial measures with persons with adjustment or emotional problems.

~~(19)~~ Optometrists for: examinations; diagnosis and treatment of the human eye and adnexa; health education; and health maintenance.

~~(20)~~ Podiatrists for: examinations; diagnosis and treatment; health education; health maintenance; and minor surgical procedures.

ITEM 9. Amend subrule 88.6(1) as follows:

**88.6(1)** The claim involves medical injury alleged to have been proximately caused by health care services which were identified and approved in the protection or sponsor agreement with the VHCPP and then only to the extent the health care services were provided by or under the direct supervision of the individual volunteer health care provider, including claims based on negligent delegation of health care, or the individual volunteer health care provider is named as a defendant solely because of the individual volunteer health care provider's participation in the protected clinic or sponsor entity clinic.

ITEM 10. Amend subrule 88.6(6) as follows:

**88.6(6)** The individual volunteer health care provider, protected clinic, or sponsor entity clinic is eligible and registered as provided in rule 641—88.3(135) or the care is provided by an individual volunteer a health care provider who holds current professional liability insurance coverage and an active unrestricted license to practice in Iowa under Iowa Code chapter 147A, 148, 148A, 148B, 148C, 149, 151, 152, 152B, 152E, 153, 154, 154B, 154C, 154D, 154F, or 155A and has been approved by the VHCPP.

# REPORT TO THE IOWA DENTAL BOARD

ACTION

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**DATE OF MEETING:** January 25-26, 2011  
**RE:** **Request from Sheryl Hast for Approval to Offer Tooth Whitening Service**  
**SUBMITTED BY:** Melanie Johnson, Executive Director  
**ACTION REQUESTED:** Action on Request to Offer Tooth Whitening Service

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## **Request from Sheryl Hast for Approval to Offer Tooth Whitening Service**

The attached request was received at the board office asking for permission from the Board to offer tooth whitening service in a business. Ms. Hast is a licensed Cosmetologist and Electrologist who would like to offer this service to her clients. She has submitted the attached proposal for Board review.

### **Attached for review**

- ❖ 10/7/10 Letter from Sheryl Hast requesting approval
- ❖ Copy of proposed permission slip form
- ❖ Copy of proposed tooth whitening consent form
- ❖ Copy of brochure about teeth whitening system
- ❖ Copy of photos submitted

October 7, 2010

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STATE BOARD

Iowa Dental Board:

I am sending this letter and plan to your board requesting that you allow me to offer teethwhitening as a service in my business. I am a licensed Cosmetologist and Electrologist in the State of Iowa. My license number is 32393B. I had originally sent a request through your email address listed on the State of Iowa website and received a reply stating that I needed to put together a plan and send it to your board for approval. As a licensed professional, I assure you I am very aware of the amount of sanitation that is required with a service of this magnitude. At this time I will give you my proposal and am also sending pictures to show you my set-up. I also will be enclosing a copy of my permission form to be signed by each client's individual dentist and a brochure.

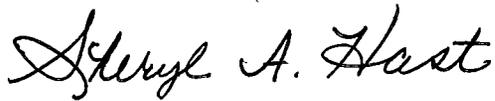
When a client comes in to have their teethwhitened they are given a kit to use. The kit includes a cheek retractor, a syringe of 16% Hydrogen peroxide gel, paper towels to blot the teeth before and after, and a pair of latex gloves. They are given a set of instructions on how to apply the gel to their teeth and then they lease my led equipment to help complete the whitening process. The equipment is set up to do 20 minute segments. At the end of 20 minutes the client then removes the first layer of gel and at that time can decide if the process has whitened their teeth to the level they are satisfied with. If they feel they want to re-apply and do additional minutes they can. They are able to do this procedure up to an hour at each session.

For the protection of my client's as well as myself, I provide them with a permission form to be signed by their own dentist. I am enclosing the form, which simply states that they have been examined and their dentist feels their teeth are healthy enough to perform teethwhitening on. I will then put this form as well as any other pertinent information in an individual file and it would be available for inspection.

I thank you very much for your time and consideration in this matter and hope that you will consider this request. I would also gladly accept any other suggestions from your board to make this a reality.

**My contact information: Sheryl A. Hast....Box 348....Dow City, Iowa  
51528**

Thank You,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sheryl A. Hast". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Sheryl A. Hast

I have examined \_\_\_\_\_'s mouth and teeth completely and feel that they are able to use the teethwhitening procedure that you offer.

\_\_\_\_\_ DDS

\_\_\_\_\_ date

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- Trauma within the past 12 months may turn dark and may need a root canal.
- I will consult a physician if I experience any problems from the treatment of this product.
- Teeth showing shades of grayish or dark-brown may be the result of nerve death and/or root canal and will not respond to whitening. The teeth may require a root canal.
- Hard to whiten teeth may require more than one treatment.
- Discolorations from products include; coffee, wine, tea, curry, saffron, paprika, cigarette smoking, tobacco, turmeric, beverages, colas, ice tea, mustard ketchup and others. I must avoid these products for three (3) days after whitening.
- I understand that the procedure is not for crowns, veneers, fillings, bridges, and bonds have no guarantee as to the results, sensitivity or duration of the shades lightened.
- I understand the terms/ conditions giving my consent for the teeth whitening treatment.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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# REPORT TO THE IOWA DENTAL BOARD

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**DATE OF MEETING:** January 25-26, 2011  
**RE:** **Request from Iowa Dental Association for Reconsideration – Creation of New Volunteer/Free Care Only License Category**  
**SUBMITTED BY:** Melanie Johnson, Executive Director; Jennifer Hart, Agency Rules Administrator  
**ACTION REQUESTED:** Action on Request to Reconsider

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## **Request from Iowa Dental Association for Reconsideration – Creation of New Volunteer/Free Care Only License Category**

The attached request was received from the Iowa Dental Association asking the board to consider the creation of a volunteer/free care only license, particularly for retired Iowa dentists and hygienists. The board previously considered this request as a petition for rulemaking in October 2009 and voted to deny the petition. The IDA is asking the board to reconsider this issue.

### **Background**

The board has received several requests in the past from individual dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistants to waive the fees required for renewal due to retirement, hardship, etc. The board's rules on fees contain a specific provision that fees are not subject to waiver. Because of the potential fiscal impact of waiving fees for licensees and registrants, the board has denied all requests for fee waivers or exemptions. Similarly, the board also received and denied several requests to eliminate the fee associated with obtaining a temporary permit to provide volunteer services. In making that decision, the board cited that several other states have a fee for temporary volunteer permits and concern of the fiscal impact. The board noted that several hours of staff time and resources such as printing and mailing costs are devoted to every application review and renewal processed. The board decided to maintain a reduced fee of \$25 for volunteer temporary permits in recognition of their support of the program. It was also noted that the associations that were interested in supporting these requests could consider using association funds to reimburse licensees for associated costs in support of their individual volunteer programs.

### **Petition for Rulemaking**

In October 2009, the IDA filed a petition for rulemaking requesting that the board amend its rules to allow temporary permits to be issued to retired dentists and dental hygienists for educational purposes and for providing volunteer services. The board voted to deny the petition for legal reasons and because it stated there was a lack of documented need for the proposed rule change. In addition, the board cited state law which required that qualifications for a temporary permit should be substantially equivalent to those required for licensure and the IDA proposal would have enabled licensees who had not maintained current continuing education or clinical practice skills to practice. The board also expressed the importance of providing the same high level of quality dental care to patients in free clinics or education settings as that provided to patients in all other settings. Because many volunteer and free clinics treat patients with more complex, challenging care needs in circumstances that are less

than ideal, the board felt it was even more important that licensees practicing in these settings maintain the same requirements for continuing education and ongoing practice as other licensees.

### **Fiscal Impact**

It is unclear at this time the potential fiscal impact the IDA's requested change would have on the board's budget. The board's database currently reflect that there are 1,928 actively licensed dentists, and of those, 1,615 show an Iowa address. Workforce data from the University of Iowa Dentist Tracking System showed that there were approximately 1,485 dentists working in Iowa in December 2009. This means there could be anywhere from 120 to several hundred dentists that may be retired yet still maintain an Iowa license. Similar numbers are expected for dental hygiene licensees and dental assistant registrants.

Reducing or eliminating the fee could have a substantial impact. The board does not have enough data at this time to determine the extent of the potential fiscal impact. When the board's new database program becomes operational (anticipated March 2011), the board will be able to compile and analyze additional details on the number of licensees or registrants who report a status of retired yet still continue to renew their license or registration, and approx. number of hours these licensees or registrants report working in a given year.

### **Attached for review**

- ❖ IDA Survey Results Concerning Retired Iowa Dentist or Dental Hygienist License
- ❖ Excerpt Board Minutes October 2009 re: petition for rulemaking

**Hart, Jennifer [IDB]**

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**From:** Johnson, Melanie [IDB]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 27, 2010 2:33 PM  
**To:** McCollum, Phil [IDB]; Weeg, Theresa [AG]; Hart, Jennifer [IDB]  
**Subject:** Fwd: Second request to create a "volunteer/free care only" Iowa dentist/hygienist license  
**Attachments:** 20101227104822184.pdf; ATT00001..htm

Could I please get some background re: their request and the Board's decision? Thank you.

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Larry Carl" <[Larry.Carl@IowaDental.org](mailto:Larry.Carl@IowaDental.org)>  
**To:** "Johnson, Melanie [IDB]" <[Melanie.Johnson@iowa.gov](mailto:Melanie.Johnson@iowa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Second request to create a "volunteer/free care only" Iowa dentist/hygienist license

December 27, 2010

Melanie:

A few months ago, the Iowa Dental Association leadership requested that the Iowa Dental Board consider the creation of a "volunteer" license particularly for retired Iowa dentists and hygienists. The Iowa Dental Board considered the request and declined to take action. The reasons for declining the request were somewhat vague, so I hesitate to attempt to list the reasons here. I'm sure IDB staff will be able to share the reasoning with you.

Never let it be said the Iowa Dental Association leadership isn't prepared to seek review of a decision if the time and circumstances have changed. We've completed a sample survey of retired member dentists and I wanted to share the results.

Additionally, there has been a changed of leadership at the Iowa Dental Board, so my leadership asked that I make a second ask.

Please consider the advantages of a new "volunteer" licensure provision (volunteer/free care only) for both Iowa dentists and hygienists at your January/2011 board meeting.

Thank you!

Larry

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# SURVEY SUMMARY

## Retired Iowa Dentist or Dental Hygienist License

Acting as the Chairman of the sub-committee on Volunteer Dental Professional licensure we obtained the most current list available of retired dentists from Dr. Ray Kuthy. We note that there are 367 retired dentists in Iowa from age 50 to 93. In an informal survey we polled 37 dentists (10%) between the ages of 50 and 80. We found almost universal acceptance for this idea of a retired volunteer license.

We asked if there was a volunteer license available would they take advantage of it and would they be likely to volunteer. Further we asked if these retired dentists maintained a current license so they could volunteer. We found universal acceptance for the concept. I am enclosing the comments of some of the dentists polled. There was one dentist that indicated he would drop his existing license if there was a volunteer license. We ran into some dentists who indicated while they thought it was a good idea they probably would not take advantage of it themselves because of health issues or they felt they had been out of dentistry too long and would be concerned about their quality of work. I think this indicates that older dentists are self limiting and are not likely to get in over their heads.

Some of the high light comments are;

"There is so much experience being wasted, it is very much needed to treat people who otherwise don't have access to dental care"

"It is an excellent idea; it is an untapped market for volunteers"

"I would no' doubt volunteer if there was a license available"

"It is a superb idea. I probably still would not give up my current license"

"It is a good idea but I unfortunately would not be able to volunteer due to my failing eyesight"

"I believe it is a good idea but it has been too long since I practiced"

"I believe it is a wonderful idea. I am too old to go to Guatemala anymore"

"I think it is a very good idea. I believe there would be a lot more retired dentists who volunteer if a license was available"

"I absolutely think it is a great idea. I believe it is something that needs to be done"

"It is too costly to maintain a regular dental license just to give your services away"

"I am totally retired and though I think it is a wonderful idea. I wouldn't be able to volunteer because it has been too long since I practiced"

"It would be a tremendous value to our citizens and state"

"It would be a wonderful incentive. I definitely know there is a need and there are a lot of people out there who need help"

A retired dental license for volunteer dentistry is currently available in 43 states. All states where a retired license is available provide that license at a minimal cost. Most states, providing this type of license, do so while requiring little or no con-ed requirements. Considering the type of simple dentistry provided in a volunteer setting this makes sense.

I was interested in the most common reasons dentists would not volunteer; too old, not physically able or too long out of dentistry. These reasons indicate dentists continue to be

caring professionals and understand their own limitations. I don't think we would get retired dentists volunteering for work they are no longer capable of doing.

There was only one dentist who indicated he would switch his active license to a retired license. If a Retired Dental Professional license becomes available in Iowa there is apt to be a small loss of licensure fees to the Iowa Board of Dental Examiners. However there would also be the potential gain of tens of thousands of dollars in free dentistry provided to our most needy citizens.

Respectfully submitted,

### **PETITION FOR RULEMAKING**

Petition by the Iowa Dental Association for the  
Amendment of Rules Relating to Temporary Permits  
Iowa Code Chapter 153.19  
Iowa Administrative Code 650 – Chapter 13

The members reviewed the Petition for Rulemaking filed with the board by the Iowa Dental Association (IDA). The Dental Hygiene Committee of the Board also reviewed the petition at its October 27, 2009, meeting.

The petition filed on October 8, 2009, proposes to amend Iowa Administrative Code 650—13.3(153) by allowing temporary permits to be issued to retired dentists and retired dental hygienists for educational purposes and for providing volunteer services. The petition further proposes that the board adopt separate requirements for the issuance of a temporary permit to retired dentists and retired dental hygienists. Such rules would set forth a maximum number of years since active practice, continuing education requirements, limitations on the services to be provided to the permit holder and/or other additional requirements beyond those currently set forth in subrules 13.3(2) and 13.3(3).

After careful consideration of the proposed Petition for Rulemaking, the Board voted to deny the petition for the following reasons:

- The law authorizing issuance of temporary permits is intended to provide licensure options for persons who do not hold a permanent license. The Court of Appeals, in two recent cases, *Imber v. Board of Medical Examiners* and *Lyons v. Board of Medical Examiners*, affirmed that a person holding a professional license continues to hold that license even if the status of the license is inactive or lapsed. Accordingly, issuance of a temporary license to a person who already holds a professional license is not appropriate.
- The petition points out that Iowa Code section 153.19 allows the Board to issue temporary permits if the Board believes “*a need exists* and the person possesses the qualifications prescribed by the board for the permit, which shall be substantially equivalent to those required for licensure....” The Board expressed concern that there is a lack of documented need for the proposed rule change. Currently, retired dentists or dental hygienists can provide volunteer or educational services as long as they maintain an active license in Iowa. Board records indicate that approximately 125 dentists and dental hygienists maintain active status licensure while reporting no current work address. Approximately another 100 dentists and dental hygienists maintain a current inactive licensure status that would allow them to provide services after reactivating the license by taking required continuing education courses. Many of these dentists and dental hygienists are retired and are able to meet renewal requirements and provide volunteer services if they choose. The Board also noted that of the over 1,300 volunteers who participated, they were aware of only one dentist who was retired with a lapsed license and who asked to provide volunteer clinical services at the recent IDA Mission of Mercy event. The Board noted that while the dentist was not able to provide clinical

services at the event, there are many other important but non-clinical duties retired dentists or dental hygienists may perform at such events.

- Iowa Code section 153.19 states that temporary permits may be provided only if “a need exists and the person possesses the qualifications prescribed by the board for the permit, *which shall be substantially equivalent to those required for licensure....*” Licensed dental hygienists and dentists in Iowa must maintain active CPR, receive training in the identification and reporting of child and dependent adult abuse, and obtain 30 hours of continuing education every biennium. These requirements promote patient safety by ensuring licensees can respond appropriately to patient emergencies. Further, these requirements ensure that licensees engage in education activities designed to review existing concepts and techniques and to update knowledge on advances in dental and medical sciences. The objective is to improve the knowledge, skills, and ability of the individual to deliver the highest quality of service to the public and professions. 650 IAC 25.1(153).
- As temporary permit holders are not required to obtain continuing education hours, or provide regular clinical services to maintain their skills, the requirements would not be substantially equivalent to those required to licensure. For additional comparison, the Board and the Dental Hygiene Committee normally require dentists or dental hygienists who have not engaged in clinical activity for five or more years to successfully complete remedial education or retake the clinical licensing examination to reinstate a lapsed license. Licensure by credentials candidates must also provide evidence of three years of ongoing active practice to be eligible to apply for an Iowa license.
- The potential fiscal impact of the proposal has not been established. If many of the retired dentists and dental hygienists who now choose to maintain active license status instead elected to utilize a temporary permit, revenues could be substantially impacted at a time when the State is in a severe financial crisis.
- Of largest concern to the Board is the importance of providing the same level of high quality dental care to patients in free clinics or educational settings as that provided to patients in all other settings. While the Board recognizes that access to care is an important problem in Iowa, the Board also believes that all patients deserve the same quality of dental care regardless of the setting. Many volunteer and free clinics treat patients with more complex, challenging care needs because many of these patients do not otherwise receive ongoing dental care, and the circumstances in which this care is provided are not ideal. Allowing dentists or dental hygienists who had not demonstrated similar currency in their knowledge and skills as that required of active licensees in private practice settings to provide volunteer services may give the appearance that quality of care can be sacrificed in an effort to promote access to dental care.

For these reasons, the Board voted to deny the proposed petition for rulemaking at this time. The Board applauds the efforts the IDA has undertaken to address the access to care problem, particularly with the Mission of Mercy events. However, the Board does not believe the rule

change sought by this petition would improve access to dental care while ensuring that all patients in Iowa receive the same quality dental care.

Motion by Dr. Roth, seconded Ms. Parsons, to deny the petition for rulemaking.

Vote: Ms. Parsons, aye; Dr. Rovner, aye; Dr. Roth, aye; Ms. Beasler, aye; Ms. Meier, aye; Dr. Grimes, nay; Dr. Curry, nay.

Motion carried, 5-2.

### **CONSIDERATION OF RULES**

650 Iowa Administrative Code  
Chapter 29 Deep Sedation/General Anesthesia, Conscious Sedation and Nitrous Oxide Inhalation  
Analgesia  
Defining Sedation  
Public Comments  
For Discussion

Ms. Hart reported that the comments from the ACC will be incorporated in the submitted draft. The rules will be submitted for public comments through December. The board could then move forward with the rule changes in January.

650 Iowa Administrative Code  
New Chapter  
Iowa Department of Revenue  
Certificate of Noncompliance  
Filed Notice of Intended Action  
Eligible for Adoption

The Board is required to participate in the Certificate of Non-compliance program of the Iowa Department of Revenue. Rules were drafted to address this. No written comments were received.

Motion by Dr. Roth, seconded Ms. Beasler, to adopt the rules as submitted.

Vote: Unanimous.  
Motion carried.

650-Iowa Administrative Code  
Various Chapters  
Miscellaneous provisions  
Filed Notice of Intended Action  
Eligible for Adoption

# REPORT TO THE IOWA DENTAL BOARD

ACTION

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**DATE OF MEETING:** January 25-26, 2010  
**RE:** **Report – Actions Taken by Executive Director on Applications for Licensure, Registration and Permit**  
**SUBMITTED BY:** Melanie Johnson, Executive Director  
**ACTION REQUESTED:** Ratification of Executive Director’s Actions on Applications

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## Background

The Board’s administrative rules authorize the executive director to review applications and act within the scope of the following delegated authority:

**650—11.8(147,153) Review of applications.** Upon receipt of a completed application, the executive director as authorized by the board has discretion to:

1. Authorize the issuance of the license, permit, or registration.
2. Refer the license, permit, or registration application to the license committee for review and consideration when the executive director determines that matters including, but not limited to, prior criminal history, chemical dependence, competency, physical or psychological illness, malpractice claims or settlements, or professional disciplinary history are relevant in determining the applicants’ qualifications for license, permit, or registration.

At each regular meeting of the Board a report is provided on the actions taken by the executive director on applications. Attached is a listing of the actions taken as of January 4, 2011. An updated list will be distributed at the meeting.

## Proposed Motion

I move that the Board ratify the actions taken by the executive director on licenses, registrations and permits since the last board meeting.

**Practitioner Licensed from 10/14/2010 - 01/03/2011**

**Dental Assistant  
 Trainee**

Wirtz, Jessica J.  
 425 N Main St  
 Fall River WI 53932  
 Date of Birth: 09/09/1981

License Number: T10888  
 Orig Issue Date: 10/18/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Warren, Katie Frances  
 3501 Williams St  
 Des Moines IA 50317  
 Date of Birth: 04/10/1979

License Number: T10887  
 Orig Issue Date: 10/18/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Erschen, Krystalina Dawn  
 1570 Austin St  
 Dubuque IA 52001  
 Date of Birth: 11/06/1979

License Number: T10886  
 Orig Issue Date: 10/18/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Bindi, Kristin Marie  
 3041 6th St SW  
 Apt 17  
 Cedar Rapids IA 52404  
 Date of Birth: 01/11/1992

License Number: T10891  
 Orig Issue Date: 10/21/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Smith, Brittney LaTreece  
 1246 E 22nd St  
 Des Moines IA 50317  
 Date of Birth: 11/08/1986

License Number: T10892  
 Orig Issue Date: 10/21/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Stifel, Kirstie Kae  
 14433 Briarwood Ln  
 Urbandale IA 50323  
 Date of Birth: 09/23/1965

License Number: T10890  
 Orig Issue Date: 10/21/2010  
 Expiration Date:

**Dental Assistant  
 Trainee**

Gray, Laurie Ann  
 1243 N Elm St  
 Ottumwa IA 52501  
 Date of Birth: 06/28/1966

License Number: T10893  
 Orig Issue Date: 10/25/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Gordon, Andrea Lee  
 418 Hawaii Ct  
 Iowa City IA 52246  
 Date of Birth: 10/23/1983

License Number: T10894  
 Orig Issue Date: 10/27/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Olson, Renee Kay  
 48335-170th Ave  
 Laurens IA 50554  
 Date of Birth: 03/08/1952

License Number: T10896  
 Orig Issue Date: 10/27/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Wilson, Natalie A.  
 906 S 5th Ave E  
 Newton IA 50208  
 Date of Birth: 12/18/1978

License Number: T10899  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/01/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Zimmerman, Erin Jeanne  
 17 Greenbrier Ln  
 Ottumwa IA 52801  
 Date of Birth: 11/06/1987

License Number: T10900  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/02/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Trnjanin, Alma  
 6213 NW 95th St  
 Johnston IA 50131  
 Date of Birth: 11/26/1985

License Number: T10902  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/04/2010  
 Expiration Date:

**Practitioner Licensed from 10/14/2010 - 01/03/2011**

**Dental Assistant  
 Trainee**

Rubio, Wendy Sue  
 203 W 6th St  
 Muscatine IA 52761  
 Date of Birth: 07/26/1963

License Number: T10901  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/04/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Angle, Kathleen Patricia  
 3924 W Verner  
 Peoria IL 61615  
 Date of Birth: 09/19/1978

License Number: T10903  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/08/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Lennon, Abigail Rae  
 609 1/2 Franklin St  
 Pella IA 50219  
 Date of Birth: 06/11/1980

License Number: T10904  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/08/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Durbala, Tricia Michele  
 1125 Ave D  
 Ft Madison IA 52627  
 Date of Birth: 02/12/1969

License Number: T10907  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/17/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Davis, Tara Leigh  
 PO Box 544  
 Oquawka IL 61469  
 Date of Birth: 06/16/1978

License Number: T10909  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/17/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Strouth, Emily Anne  
 1010 Park Ln  
 Rock Valley IA 51247  
 Date of Birth: 11/14/1979

License Number: T10908  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/17/2010  
 Expiration Date:

**Dental Assistant  
 Trainee**

Gerst, Ashley Tyne  
 10109 P Ave  
 Columbus Junction IA 52738  
 Date of Birth: 12/16/1987

License Number: T10912  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/18/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Berry, Tracey Lynnette  
 1815 1/2 16th St  
 Rock Island IL 61201  
 Date of Birth: 03/21/1966

License Number: T10913  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/18/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Zeltner, Lindsey Marie  
 613 5th St  
 Colona IL 61241  
 Date of Birth: 05/20/1992

License Number: T10915  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/24/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Wagenbach, Whitney Lynne  
 6025 170th St  
 Burlington IA 52601  
 Date of Birth: 04/29/1991

License Number: T10916  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/24/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Simmer, Sarah Elizabeth  
 PO Box 574  
 Slater IA 50244  
 Date of Birth: 02/03/1989

License Number: T10918  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/13/2010  
 Expiration Date:

Bovee, Natasha Lauren  
 4213 180th Ave  
 Webb IA 51366  
 Date of Birth: 08/13/1984

License Number: T10920  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/13/2010  
 Expiration Date:

**Practitioner Licensed from 10/14/2010 - 01/03/2011**

**Dental Assistant  
Trainee**

Orr, Sarah Joe  
305 Woodland Dr  
Hazleton IA 50641  
Date of Birth: 10/18/1980

License Number: T10921  
Orig Issue Date: 12/13/2010  
Expiration Date:

Zappa, Angela Lynn  
554 6th St SE  
Mason City IA 50401  
Date of Birth: 01/13/1992

License Number: T10919  
Orig Issue Date: 12/13/2010  
Expiration Date:

Barker, Kristian Michelle  
15064 40th St  
Wapello IA 52653  
Date of Birth: 09/08/1985

License Number: T10924  
Orig Issue Date: 12/15/2010  
Expiration Date:

Brown, Doretta  
2214 Cliff Rd  
Burlington IA 52801  
Date of Birth: 05/19/1954

License Number: T10922  
Orig Issue Date: 12/15/2010  
Expiration Date:

Dodd, Lacy LouAnn  
1605 Cedar St  
Davenport IA 52804  
Date of Birth: 12/29/1987

License Number: T10923  
Orig Issue Date: 12/15/2010  
Expiration Date:

Hunter, Jolie Ann  
1530 29th Ave  
Moline IL 61265  
Date of Birth: 05/27/1971

License Number: T10937  
Orig Issue Date: 12/30/2010  
Expiration Date:

**Dental Assistant  
Trainee**

Bills, Jesickah Marie  
117 W 2nd St  
Grand River IA 50108  
Date of Birth: 07/22/1985

License Number: T10935  
Orig Issue Date: 12/30/2010  
Expiration Date:

Durham, Delaina Dawn  
506 N Pine St  
New London IA 52645  
Date of Birth: 09/27/1988

License Number: T10938  
Orig Issue Date: 12/30/2010  
Expiration Date:

Boltz, Kimberly Shane  
2003 Orleans Ave  
Keokuk IA 52632  
Date of Birth: 04/08/1970

License Number: T10934  
Orig Issue Date: 12/30/2010  
Expiration Date:

Ball, Ashley Ann  
616 N. Green St  
Ottumwa IA 52501  
Date of Birth: 10/10/1988

License Number: T10936  
Orig Issue Date: 12/30/2010  
Expiration Date:

**Dental Hygienist**

Hegg, Melissa Lynette, D.H.  
51094 Applewood Rd.  
Elliott IA 51532  
Date of Birth: 07/06/1984

License Number: 03940  
Orig Issue Date: 10/22/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Dykeman, Kayla Marie, D.H.  
2419 44th St.  
Moline IL 61265  
Date of Birth: 05/03/1986

License Number: 03941  
Orig Issue Date: 11/05/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

**Practitioner Licensed from 10/14/2010 - 01/03/2011**

**Dental Hygienist**

Smit, Kristina Cathleen, D.H.  
 201 3rd St.  
 Boxholm IA 50040  
 Date of Birth: 12/21/1981

License Number: 03943  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/08/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Burhenne, Saria Josephine, D.H.  
 1420 Fairmount Avenue  
 Council Bluffs IA 51503  
 Date of Birth: 12/14/1979

License Number: 03942  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/08/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Tangkhpanya, Leah Nicole, D.H.  
 4864 Hwy 59  
 Cherokee IA 51012  
 Date of Birth: 04/08/1984

License Number: 03944  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/10/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Campbell, Jessica Nicole, D.H.  
 519 W 12th St.  
 Beardstown IL 62618  
 Date of Birth: 01/15/1984

License Number: 03945  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/24/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Abell, Crystal A., D.H.  
 3406 47th Ave.  
 Moline IL 61265  
 Date of Birth: 09/23/1984

License Number: 03947  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/03/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Kohn, Aimee Michelle, D.H.  
 913 8th Ave. SW  
 Pipestone MN 56164  
 Date of Birth: 03/03/1974

License Number: 03946  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/03/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

**Dental Hygienist**

Moser, Laure Lee, D.H.  
 102 N 5th St.  
 Fulton IL 61252  
 Date of Birth: 10/17/1957

License Number: 03948  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/03/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Treeby, Zabrina Leigh, DH  
 809 N West Ave. #122  
 Sioux Falls SD 57104  
 Date of Birth: 03/30/1983

License Number: 03949  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/06/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Guthmiller, Kristin Marie, D.H.  
 515 30th St.  
 Sioux City IA 51104  
 Date of Birth: 02/20/1985

License Number: 03950  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/17/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Krahn, Darcie Lynn, D.H.  
 1234 Peninsula Ln.  
 Whitewater WI 53190  
 Date of Birth: 08/06/1970

License Number: 03951  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/20/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Grutz, Cassandra Ann, D.H.  
 6176 Centura Ct.  
 Asbury IA 52002  
 Date of Birth: 09/27/1986

License Number: 03952  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/20/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

**Dentist**

Kralik, Shawn Thomas, D.D.S.  
 438 23rd Rd.  
 West Point NE 68788  
 Date of Birth: 12/19/1974

License Number: 08784  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/08/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2012

**Practitioner Licensed from 10/14/2010 - 01/03/2011**

<b>Dentist</b>		<b>Local Anesthesia Permit</b>	
Bansal, Ritu, B.D.S. 6226 Rockwell Dr. NE #203 Cedar Rapids IA 52402 Date of Birth: 12/27/1977	License Number: 08785 Orig Issue Date: 11/08/2010 Expiration Date: 08/31/2012	Hegg, Melissa Lynette, D.H. 51094 Applewood Rd. Elliott IA 51532 Date of Birth: 07/06/1984	License Number: 2620 Orig Issue Date: 10/22/2010 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011
Walker, James Donald, D.D.S. 1821 Jeffrey St. Iowa City IA 52246 Date of Birth: 09/09/1983	License Number: 08786 Orig Issue Date: 11/17/2010 Expiration Date: 08/31/2012	Martin, Miranda Kay, D.H. 3900 Southeastern Ave. #308 Sioux Falls SD 57103 Date of Birth: 11/08/1985	License Number: 2622 Orig Issue Date: 11/03/2010 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011
Tadakapalli, Sowjanya, D.M.D. 100 W Benton St. #207E Iowa City IA 52246 Date of Birth: 08/11/1976	License Number: 08787 Orig Issue Date: 12/03/2010 Expiration Date: 08/31/2012	Hardick, Shannon Mikale, D.H. 1907 S 61st St. Omaha NE 68106 Date of Birth: 02/01/1973	License Number: 2621 Orig Issue Date: 11/03/2010 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011
Reno, Catherine Patricia, D.D.S. 702 W Main St. Lamoni IA 50140 Date of Birth: 07/27/1960	License Number: 08788 Orig Issue Date: 12/03/2010 Expiration Date: 08/31/2012	Dykeman, Kayla Marie, D.H. 2419 44th St. Moline IL 61265 Date of Birth: 05/03/1986	License Number: 2623 Orig Issue Date: 11/05/2010 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011
Lee, Charles Ki Cheol, D.D.S. 5835 Erskine St. Omaha NE 68104 Date of Birth: 06/30/1974	License Number: 08790 Orig Issue Date: 12/03/2010 Expiration Date: 08/31/2012	Smit, Kristina Cathleen, D.H. 201 3rd St. Boxholm IA 50040 Date of Birth: 12/21/1981	License Number: 2625 Orig Issue Date: 11/08/2010 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011
Sierk, Christopher Robert, D.D.S. 2182 Marylwood Ct. West Linn OR 97068 Date of Birth: 06/01/1970	License Number: 08789 Orig Issue Date: 12/03/2010 Expiration Date: 08/31/2012	Burhenne, Saria Josephine, D.H. 1420 Fairmount Avenue Council Bluffs IA 51503 Date of Birth: 12/14/1979	License Number: 2624 Orig Issue Date: 11/08/2010 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

**Practitioner Licensed from 10/14/2010 - 01/03/2011**

**Local Anesthesia  
Permit**

Tangkpanya, Leah Nicole, D.H.  
4864 Hwy 59  
Cherokee IA 51012  
Date of Birth: 04/08/1984

License Number: 2626  
Orig Issue Date: 11/10/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Campbell, Jessica Nicole, D.H.  
519 W 12th St.  
Beardstown IL 62618  
Date of Birth: 01/15/1984

License Number: 2627  
Orig Issue Date: 11/24/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Abell, Crystal A., D.H.  
3406 47th Ave.  
Moline IL 61265  
Date of Birth: 09/23/1984

License Number: 2628  
Orig Issue Date: 12/03/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Treeby, Zabrina Leigh, DH  
809 N West Ave. #122  
Sioux Falls SD 57104  
Date of Birth: 03/30/1983

License Number: 2629  
Orig Issue Date: 12/06/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Stabbe, Kimberly Anne, DH  
13250 West 107th Terrace  
Lenexa KS 66210  
Date of Birth: 11/02/1959

License Number: 2630  
Orig Issue Date: 12/08/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Guthmiller, Kristin Marie, D.H.  
515 30th St.  
Sioux City IA 51104  
Date of Birth: 02/20/1985

License Number: 2631  
Orig Issue Date: 12/17/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

**Local Anesthesia  
Permit**

Grutz, Cassandra Ann, D.H.  
6176 Centura Ct.  
Asbury IA 52002  
Date of Birth: 09/27/1986

License Number: 2633  
Orig Issue Date: 12/20/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Krahn, Darcie Lynn, D.H.  
1234 Peninsula Ln.  
Whitewater WI 53190  
Date of Birth: 08/06/1970

License Number: 2632  
Orig Issue Date: 12/20/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

**Moderate Sedation  
Permit**

Morarend, Quinn Alan, D.D.S.  
2727 First Ave SE #3  
Cedar Rapids IA 52402  
Date of Birth: 05/02/1976

License Number: MS0087  
Orig Issue Date: 10/28/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2012

Mathews, Michael Steven, DDS  
409 Layne Drive  
West Burlington IA 52655  
Date of Birth: 09/12/1968

License Number: MS0089  
Orig Issue Date: 10/28/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2012

Hoepfner, Todd Roger, D.D.S.  
Children's Dental Center  
615 S Illinois Ave  
Mason City IA 50401  
Date of Birth: 08/21/1972

License Number: MS0088  
Orig Issue Date: 10/28/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2012

**Qual/Reg Dental Asst**

Conrad, Alyssa Elizabeth  
705 W Farmland Dr  
Maquoketa IA 52060  
Date of Birth: 10/20/1989

License Number: Q10889  
Orig Issue Date: 10/21/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

**Practitioner Licensed from 10/14/2010 - 01/03/2011**

**Qual/Reg Dental Asst**

Howell, Tonya Nikole  
 1345 Bush Ave  
 Garner IA 50438  
 Date of Birth: 07/08/1988

License Number: Q10897  
 Orig Issue Date: 10/27/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Brown, Jamie Lynn  
 302 Park Ave  
 Des Moines IA 50315  
 Date of Birth: 11/13/1983

License Number: Q10895  
 Orig Issue Date: 10/27/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Van Laren, Alyson Lyda  
 2031 Oakmont Cir  
 Sioux Center IA 51250  
 Date of Birth: 05/30/1991

License Number: Q10898  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/01/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Witt, Kimberly Kay  
 384 N Downey St  
 Walcott IA 52773  
 Date of Birth: 09/12/1988

License Number: Q10905  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/09/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Vivian, Tanesha Raeshawn  
 4132 5th Ave  
 Des Moines IA 50313  
 Date of Birth: 11/27/1988

License Number: Q10906  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/16/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Silverthorn, Shawnia Rahna  
 160 Q Avenue  
 Boone IA 50036  
 Date of Birth: 02/10/1981

License Number: Q10911  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/17/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

**Qual/Reg Dental Asst**

Larkin, Mychala Jean  
 608 East 12th St N  
 Newton IA 50208  
 Date of Birth: 05/17/1988

License Number: Q10910  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/17/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Simmons, Katie Arlene  
 908 3rd St SW  
 Dyersville IA 52040  
 Date of Birth: 11/12/1988

License Number: Q10917  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/24/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Kluver, Lindsay K.  
 416 Lakeshore Dr  
 Lot #24  
 North Sioux City SD 57049  
 Date of Birth: 07/31/1989

License Number: Q10914  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/24/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Fredericks, Nicole Christine  
 502 7th Ave  
 Springville IA 52336  
 Date of Birth: 05/24/1991

License Number: Q10926  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/29/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

McConnell, Mollie Ann  
 26 Aossey Ln SW #3  
 Cedar Rapids IA 52404  
 Date of Birth: 01/26/1986

License Number: Q10925  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/29/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Marshall, Kate Makenna  
 2910 Autumn Dr  
 Marion IA 52302  
 Date of Birth: 06/19/1987

License Number: Q10932  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/30/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

**Practitioner Licensed from 10/14/2010 - 01/03/2011**

**Qual/Reg Dental Asst**

McClain, Sasha Marie  
 1059 14th Ave  
 St. Paul NE 68873  
 Date of Birth: 01/22/1990

License Number: Q10933  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/30/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Simon, Amanda Jo  
 PO Box 211  
 Atalissa IA 52720  
 Date of Birth: 04/07/1989

License Number: Q10930  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/30/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Skrukrud, Kinsley Raelyn  
 25913 Garland St  
 Morning Sun IA 52640  
 Date of Birth: 10/06/1989

License Number: Q10931  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/30/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Thompson, Emily Rose  
 435 Woodview Ave  
 Robins IA 52328  
 Date of Birth: 02/23/1989

License Number: Q10928  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/30/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

DeMeulenaere, Tamie Marie  
 225 Sugar Creek Ln B5  
 North Liberty IA 52317  
 Date of Birth: 01/14/1970

License Number: Q10929  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/30/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Gettings, Kelli Renee  
 502 NE 9th St  
 Ankeny IA 50021  
 Date of Birth: 07/12/1990

License Number: Q10927  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/30/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

**Resident Dental**

Gopisetty, Krishna Mohan, B.D.S.  
 UIA College of Dentistry  
 S361 Dental Science Bldg.  
 Iowa City IA 52242  
 Date of Birth: 06/26/1982

License Number: 30327  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/29/2010  
 Expiration Date: 06/30/2013

Sim, Chelsia Qiuxia, B.D.S.  
 UIA College of Dentistry  
 S361 DSB  
 Iowa City IA 52242  
 Date of Birth: 09/19/1982

License Number: 30328  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/29/2010  
 Expiration Date: 06/30/2013

### Practitioner Profession Change Report from 10/14/2010 - 01/03/2011

#### Qual/Reg Dental Asst

Chonko, Teresa Marie  
 Dr. Darren J. Dotson  
 1510 Hill Ave Ste D  
 Spirit Lake IA 51360  
 Date of Birth: 06/29/1963

License Number: Q02169  
 Orig Issue Date: 08/01/1983  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Virviescas, Claudia Ximena  
 Heidi Goepf, DDS  
 2001 Westown Pkwy #207  
 West Des Moines IA 50265  
 Date of Birth: 10/24/1967

License Number: Q07989  
 Orig Issue Date: 04/17/2003  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Christeson, Sara Ann  
 1257 SW Twin Gates Dr  
 Ankeny IA 50023  
 Date of Birth: 07/10/1978

License Number: Q09276  
 Orig Issue Date: 08/29/2006  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Zaruba, Ariel Elizabeth  
 1926 Hwy 38  
 Tipton IA 52772  
 Date of Birth: 09/29/1988

License Number: Q10237  
 Orig Issue Date: 03/06/2009  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Ramos, Consuelo M  
 171 38th Ave  
 E Moline IL 61244  
 Date of Birth: 07/06/1974

License Number: Q10495  
 Orig Issue Date: 10/06/2009  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Bair, Annie Marie  
 4462 NE 150th Ave  
 Elkhart IA 50073  
 Date of Birth: 12/08/1986

License Number: Q10521  
 Orig Issue Date: 10/22/2009  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

#### Qual/Reg Dental Asst

Baldwin, Erin Kay  
 1113 Rainbow Dr  
 Waterloo IA 50701  
 Date of Birth: 10/23/1984

License Number: Q10522  
 Orig Issue Date: 10/22/2009  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Delagardelle, Amy Lynn  
 1504 Downing Ave  
 Waterloo IA 50701  
 Date of Birth: 11/23/1987

License Number: Q10528  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/03/2009  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Buss, Faith Lorraine  
 303 E Baker St  
 Mount Pleasant IA 52641  
 Date of Birth: 08/09/1956

License Number: Q10527  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/03/2009  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Diebel, Merryl Leigh  
 300 E Grand Ave # 502  
 Des Moines IA 50309  
 Date of Birth: 08/09/1983

License Number: Q10529  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/04/2009  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Patterson, Teresa Ann  
 3221 S Hennepin St  
 Sioux City IA 51106  
 Date of Birth: 05/18/1959

License Number: Q10536  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/18/2009  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Kaufman, Pamela Caitlin  
 3181 320th St  
 Creston IA 50801  
 Date of Birth: 06/13/1988

License Number: Q10540  
 Orig Issue Date: 11/20/2009  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

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#### Qual/Reg Dental Asst

Rhone, Tonia Latriece  
 1223 Willow Ave  
 Bellevue NE 68005  
 Date of Birth: 02/01/1973

License Number: Q10547  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/04/2009  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Burggraaf, Nicole Jane  
 3152 Elmwood Ave  
 Rock Valley IA 51247  
 Date of Birth: 05/16/1991

License Number: Q10558  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/17/2009  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Melidis, Danielle Jo  
 PO Box 115  
 Clinton IA 52732  
 Date of Birth: 07/09/1965

License Number: Q10569  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/21/2009  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Vincent-Patton, Skye LeSean  
 749 W 61st St Unit D  
 Davenport IA 52806  
 Date of Birth: 08/14/1987

License Number: Q10567  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/21/2009  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Rodriguez, Nancy Liliana  
 1260 Office Park Rd #20  
 West Des Moines IA 50265  
 Date of Birth: 11/17/1987

License Number: Q10570  
 Orig Issue Date: 12/23/2009  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Williams, Hailey Eileen  
 3541 Jersey Ridge Rd #504  
 Davenport IA 52807  
 Date of Birth: 08/13/1989

License Number: Q10590  
 Orig Issue Date: 01/26/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

#### Qual/Reg Dental Asst

Chanthalanon, Phoungphet Amy  
 1414 Myrtle St  
 Sioux City IA 51103  
 Date of Birth: 09/19/1991

License Number: Q10637  
 Orig Issue Date: 04/27/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Strahl, Catherine Marie  
 2810 Westover Blvd  
 Des Moines IA 50322  
 Date of Birth: 10/29/1984

License Number: Q10652  
 Orig Issue Date: 05/13/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Mevert, Kiley Marie  
 5819 NW 51st St  
 Johnston IA 50131  
 Date of Birth: 11/15/1989

License Number: Q10692  
 Orig Issue Date: 06/16/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Perrault, Chelsea Ann  
 201 E Maple St  
 PO Box 141  
 Elkhart IA 50073  
 Date of Birth: 03/06/1988

License Number: Q10766  
 Orig Issue Date: 07/23/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Beaman, Kelsey Arlene  
 201 Jewell St  
 Jewell IA 50130  
 Date of Birth: 08/02/1989

License Number: Q10780  
 Orig Issue Date: 07/30/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Bauer, Cody Thomas  
 5465 Mills Civic Pkwy  
 Unit 426  
 West Des Moines IA 50266  
 Date of Birth: 08/29/1984

License Number: Q10783  
 Orig Issue Date: 08/02/2010  
 Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

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## Qual/Reg Dental Asst

Imsirovic, Mejrima  
8460 Clark St  
Clive IA 50325  
Date of Birth: 04/20/1990

License Number: Q10786  
Orig Issue Date: 08/05/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Fallis, Rebecca Sue  
3936 E University Ave  
Des Moines IA 50317  
Date of Birth: 08/13/1991

License Number: Q10795  
Orig Issue Date: 08/11/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Rundle, Abigail Marie  
1237 Lois Lane  
Waterloo IA 50702  
Date of Birth: 06/03/1991

License Number: Q10797  
Orig Issue Date: 08/11/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Firebaugh, Ashley Nicole  
406 NE 2nd St  
Panora IA 50216  
Date of Birth: 03/06/1990

License Number: Q10846  
Orig Issue Date: 09/10/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Brown, Jamie Lynn  
302 Park Ave  
Des Moines IA 50315  
Date of Birth: 11/13/1983

License Number: Q10895  
Orig Issue Date: 10/27/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Kluver, Lindsay K.  
416 Lakeshore Dr  
Lot #24  
North Sioux City SD 57049  
Date of Birth: 07/31/1989

License Number: Q10914  
Orig Issue Date: 11/24/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

## Registered Dental Asst

Hershberger, Megan Margo  
1730 Larch Ave  
Wellman IA 52356  
Date of Birth: 03/06/1991

License Number: R10401  
Orig Issue Date: 08/04/2009  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Hamill, Beth Elaine  
1537 E 3rd St  
Sheldon IA 51201  
Date of Birth: 02/22/1972

License Number: R10475  
Orig Issue Date: 09/10/2009  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Holub, Laura Leslie  
22171 580th Ave  
Ames IA 50010  
Date of Birth: 06/12/1988

License Number: R10541  
Orig Issue Date: 11/24/2009  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Rush, Aubrey A.  
510 SE 5th St  
Aledo IL 61231  
Date of Birth: 12/30/1984

License Number: R10542  
Orig Issue Date: 11/24/2009  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Gray, Renea Marie  
1512 Alderwood Dr SW  
Altoona IA 50009  
Date of Birth: 01/02/1966

License Number: R10543  
Orig Issue Date: 11/25/2009  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Hampton, Emily Elliott  
4026 Edgewater Dr  
Ames IA 50010  
Date of Birth: 08/22/1972

License Number: R10548  
Orig Issue Date: 12/07/2009  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

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**Registered Dental Asst**

Theulen, Jennifer Ann  
1099 NE 134th Ave  
Alleman IA 50007  
Date of Birth: 08/22/1975

License Number: R10556  
Orig Issue Date: 12/14/2009  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

Miller, Kadiann Lois  
21298 Old Lincoln Hwy  
Crescent IA 51526  
Date of Birth: 09/27/1988

License Number: R10600  
Orig Issue Date: 02/09/2010  
Expiration Date: 08/31/2011

# REPORT TO THE IOWA DENTAL BOARD

FYI ONLY

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**DATE OF MEETING:** January 25-26, 2011  
**RE:** **Update on Status of Preliminary Denial: Penny Harger, Dental Assistant Trainee**  
**SUBMITTED BY:** Melanie Johnson, Executive Director  
**ACTION REQUESTED:** Fyi only.

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## **Background**

On July 14, 2010 the Board voted to deny Penny Harger's application for a dental assistant registration. A Preliminary Notice of Denial was forwarded to Penny Harger on October 18, 2010 and she signed for it on October 28, 2010.

The Board's administrative rule allow for a 30-day period within which an applicant can appeal a preliminary denial of registration. The 30-day period has passed and the board office has not received a notice to resubmit the appeal. Board rule 11. 10(4) provides that: "If an applicant does not appeal a preliminary notice of denial, the preliminary notice of denial automatically becomes final and a notice of denial will be issued."

Board staff will send a Final Notice of Denial to Ms. Harger.