



# The Dental Digest

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**The Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners is charged with the responsibilities of examining, licensing, registering, and regulating dentistry and dental hygiene to ensure competency and ethics among all dental professionals in the State of Mississippi, for the ultimate goal of safeguarding and enhancing the health and welfare of the citizens of this State. As such, the Board is neither affiliated with nor functions as a subsidiary of any private or professional organization.**

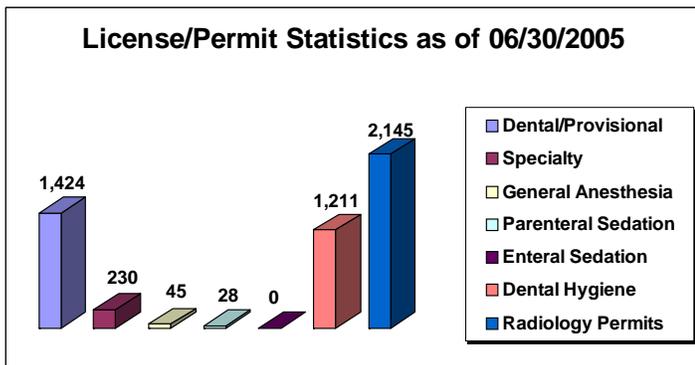
**W**elcome to the June 2005 edition of the Dental Digest. The primary focus of this edition will be amendments made to Board Regulation 29 (administration of anesthesia) and adoption of new Board Regulation 61 (mobile dental offices). These regulations, as well as amendments to Board Regulation 41 (continuing education) are featured in our "Regulation Highlight" section. Also, don't miss the article concerning the Board's clinical licensure examinations, inasmuch as the Board will be accepting and administering national clinical dental and dental hygiene licensure examinations beginning September 2005. As always, you will want to review "Things to Note," as this section contains a variety of information useful to our licensees and permit holders. Additionally, the Board's forms, laws, regulations, newsletters, examination manuals, databases, statistics, frequently asked questions, etc., may be found on our web site (<http://www.msbde.state.ms.us>). Enjoy the newsletter, and, as always, feel free to contact our office if you have any questions.



**A**s part of its legislatively-mandated regulatory responsibilities, the MSBDE must enforce the laws of this State and enact any regulations necessary to ensure consistent and ethical compliance with these laws. Accordingly, when deemed appropriate and as a means of establishing uniform policies for all dental professionals in Mississippi, the MSBDE enacts and/or amends regulations. Whenever a regulation is enacted or amended, it must be filed immediately with the Mississippi Secretary of State and is not considered approved until thirty (30) days after filing. At that time, a "final filing" must be effected with the Mississippi Secretary of State, and the adopted or amended regulation becomes final thirty (30) days after that filing date.

As a regular feature of the Dental Digest, the MSBDE highlights regulations that have been amended/enacted. Since the June 2004 newsletter, the MSBDE has amended Regulations 29 and 41 and has adopted Board Regulation 61, which regulates mobile dental offices. When possible, regulations have been reprinted in their entirety; however, depending on the amendments, a synopsis for some regulations may be provided for your review. A fee of \$10.00 per copy is charged for bound copies of the Mississippi Dental Practice Act and the Board's rules and regulations; however, copies of individual regulations may be obtained by calling or writing the Board's office. Also, copies of the Board's laws and regulations may be obtained on its web site (<http://www.msbde.state.ms.us>) either in Adobe Acrobat or HTML format. Just click on the "Laws & Regulations" button and select how you wish to view or print a current copy of the Board's laws and regulations.

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### BOARD REGULATION NUMBER 29 ADMINISTRATION OF ANESTHESIA

On November 19, 2004, the Board amended Regulation 29 to extend the grandfathering date to June 30, 2005 for licensees applying for Enteral Conscious Sedation Permits. On January 7, 2005, the Board again amended Regulation 29 to eliminate any confusion as to the regulation's definitions, those licensed Mississippi dentists who must obtain Enteral Conscious Sedation Permits, and the required didactic hours and clinical patient cases to obtain Enteral Conscious Sedation Permits. Please review the "Things to Note" section for a more detailed explanation of these amendments. This

regulation is not being reprinted in this newsletter but is available on the Board's web site (<http://www.msbde.state.ms.us>).

## BOARD REGULATION 41 CONTINUING EDUCATION

On August 6, 2004, the Board amended Regulation 41 to allow continuing education credit for a maximum of four (4) hours of computer-based, home study, or correspondence courses over the two-year reporting period for licensed dentists and dental hygienists. Also, on November 19, 2004, the Board amended Regulation 41 to stipulate that dentists must obtain a minimum of twenty (20) hours of clinical continuing education and dental hygienists a minimum of ten (10) hours of clinical continuing education for the two-year reporting period. Additionally, the dental hygiene fines for non-compliance with Board Regulation 41 were revised to be identical to those fines for dentists failing to comply with this regulation. Please review the "Things to Note" section for more details concerning these most important amendments. This regulation is not being reprinted in this newsletter but is available on the Board's web site (<http://www.msbde.state.ms.us>).



District I annual meeting from left-to-right: Thurmond Beasley, DDS, Robin H. Campassi, DMD, J. Walt Starr, Jr., DMD, and Walter D. Diaz, DDS

## BOARD REGULATION 61 MOBILE DENTAL OFFICES

On February 25, 2005, the Board adopted Regulation 61 to stipulate requirements for mobile dental offices/portable dental operations in the State of Mississippi. Furthermore, on May 6, 2005, the Board amended this regulation to further stipulate that agencies of the State of Mississippi operating mobile dental offices/portable dental operations that **DO NOT** charge or collect any fees whatsoever for services rendered are exempt from the requirements of this regulation. Board Regulation 61, as adopted and as amended, is being reprinted in its entirety in this newsletter.

**Purpose:** To establish requirements for licensees operating mobile dental facilities or portable dental operations within the State of Mississippi, all pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 73-9-13.

### 1. Applicability

This regulation applies to the Operator of a mobile dental facility or portable dental operation who:

- a. provides dental services; and
- b. does not have a physically stationary office in the city or county where the services are provided.

### 2. Exemptions

Mobile dental offices and portable dental operations operated by agencies of the State of Mississippi which do not charge or collect any fees whatsoever for services provided are exempt from the requirements of this regulation.

### 3. Definitions

As used herein, the following terms shall have the meanings specified:

- a. "Mobile dental facility or portable dental operation" means any self-contained facility in which dentistry will be practiced, which may be moved, towed, or transported from one location to another.
- b. "Operator" means the person licensed to practice dentistry in the State of Mississippi and who has registered a mobile dental facility or portable dental operation with the Board pursuant to the registration requirements of this regulation.

### 4. Registration

- a. In order to operate a mobile dental facility or portable dental operation, the Operator must be an individual who is authorized to practice dentistry under the laws and regulations of this State, and must possess a current mobile dental office registration issued by the Board.
- b. To become registered, the Operator must:
  - (1) Complete an application in the form and manner required by the Board.
  - (2) Provide the Board with evidence of compliance with the requirements of this regulation.
  - (3) With the registrant's initial application to the Board, submit proof from the Mississippi State Board of Health that licensee's radiographic equipment has been approved.

### 5. Office Physical Address and Telephone Number

- a. The Operator of a mobile dental facility or portable dental operation shall maintain an official business or mailing address of record (hereinafter "official office address"), which shall not be a post office box and which shall be filed with the Board.
- b. The Operator of a mobile dental facility or portable dental operation shall maintain an official telephone number of record, which shall be filed with the Board. Furthermore, the telephone number for the mobile dental facility or

portable dental operation must have 911 capability.

- c. The Board shall be notified within thirty (30) days of any change in the address or telephone number of record.
- d. All written or printed documents available from or issued by the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation shall contain the official office address and telephone number of record for the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation.
- e. When not in transit, all dental and official records shall be maintained at the official office address.

6. Written Procedures, Communication Facilities, Conformity with Requirements, and Driver Requirements

The Operator of a mobile dental facility or portable dental operation shall ensure the following:

- a. There is a written procedure for emergency follow-up care for patients treated in the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation, and such procedure includes arrangements for treatment in a dental facility that is permanently established in the area where services were provided.
- b. With the registrant's initial application, the Board must be provided a list of names of dentists to whom the Operator of the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation will refer patients for follow-up care, subject to the patient's right to choose another dental care provider. This list shall contain the dentist's full name, physical office address, telephone number, and an attached statement from each dentist so listed indicating that the dentist will be responsible for follow-up care. The list shall be updated when changes are made insofar as follow-up care dentists are concerned.
- c. The mobile dental facility or portable dental operation has communication facilities that will enable the Operator thereof to contact necessary parties in the event of a medical or dental emergency. The communication facilities must enable the patient or the parent or guardian of the patient treated to contact the Operator for emergency care, follow-up care, or information about treatment received. The provider who renders follow-up care must also be able to contact the Operator and receive treatment information, including radiographs.
- d. The mobile dental facility or portable dental operation and the dental procedures performed comply with the laws and regulations of the State.
- e. The driver of the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation possesses a valid Mississippi driver's license appropriate for the operation of the vehicle. A copy of the driver's licenses of all drivers of the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation must be submitted with the Operator's initial application to the Board.

- f. No services are performed on minors without a signed consent form from the parent or guardian, which indicates:
  - (1) if the minor already has a dentist, the parent or guardian should continue to arrange dental care through that provider; and
  - (2) the treatment of the child by the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation may affect the future benefits that the child may receive under private insurance, Medicaid; or the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).
- g. A mobile dental facility or portable dental operation that accepts a patient and provides preventive treatment, including prophylaxis, radiographs, and fluoride, but does not follow-up with treatment when such treatment is clearly indicated, is considered to be abandoning the patient. Arrangements must be made for treatment services by either the Operator or other licensee who agrees to provide follow-up care. If such arrangements are not made, the Operator will be construed to have committed unprofessional conduct pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 73-9-61 and shall be subject to disciplinary action by this Board.



**District II annual meeting, from left-to-right: Charles G. Purifoy, DDS, Robin H. Campassi, DMD, Eleanor A. Gill, DMD, Shannon P. Patterson, DMD, and A. Roddy Scarbrough, DMD**

- 7. Physical Requirements and Inspection for Mobile Dental Facility or Portable Dental Operation
  - a. The Operator shall ensure that the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation has the following:
    - (1) Ready access to a ramp or lift;
    - (2) A properly functioning sterilization system;
    - (3) Ready access to an adequate supply of potable water, including hot water;
    - (4) Ready access to toilet facilities; and

(5) A covered galvanized, stainless steel, or other noncorrosive container for deposit of refuse and waste materials.

- b. All procedures must be in compliance with the current Recommended Infection-Control Practices for Dentistry as published by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).
- c. The mobile dental facility or portable dental operation shall be inspected by a Board member or a staff evaluator prior to receiving approval to operate by the Board.
- d. Once approved the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation shall be subject to periodic, unannounced audits by any Board member or a staff evaluator.



**District III annual meeting, from left-to-right: A. Roddy Scarbrough, DMD, John J. Hodge, DMD, Artis E. Knight, DDS, Mark D. Williams, DMD, and W. Mark Donald, DMD**

- 8. Identification of Personnel, Notification of Changes in Written Procedures, and Display of Licenses
  - a. The Operator of a mobile dental facility or portable dental operation shall identify and advise the Board in writing within thirty (30) days of any personnel change relative to all licensed dentists and licensed dental hygienists associated with the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation by providing the full name, address, telephone numbers, and license numbers, where applicable.
  - b. The Operator shall advise the Board in writing within thirty (30) days of any change in the written procedure for emergency follow-up care for patients treated in the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation, including arrangements for treatment in a dental facility which is permanently established in the area. The permanent dental facility shall be identified in the written procedure.
  - c. Each dentist and dental hygienist providing dental services in the mobile dental facility or

portable dental operation shall prominently display his or her Mississippi dental or dental hygienist license in plain view of patients.

9. Identification of Location of Services

- a. Each Operator of a mobile dental facility or portable dental operation shall maintain a written or electronic record detailing for each location where services are provided:
  - (1) the street address of the service location;
  - (2) the dates of each session;
  - (3) the number of patients served; and
  - (4) the types of dental services provided and quantity of each service provided.
- b. The written or electronic record shall be made available to the Board or its representative within ten (10) days of a request.
- c. Each mobile dental facility or portable dental operation must possess all applicable county and city licenses or permits to operate at each location.

10. Licensed Dentist in Charge

A mobile dental facility or portable dental operation shall at all times be in the charge of a dentist currently licensed to practice dentistry in the State of Mississippi. A dentist currently licensed to practice dentistry in the State of Mississippi shall be present at all times when clinical services are rendered.

11. Information for Patients

- a. During or at the conclusion of each patient's visit to the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation, the patient shall be provided with an information sheet. If the patient has provided consent to an institutional facility to access the patient's dental health records, the institution shall also be provided with a copy of the information sheet. An institutional facility includes, but is not limited to, a long-term care facility or school.
- b. The information sheet as required herein shall include the following:
  - (1) Pertinent contact information as required by this regulation;
  - (2) The name of the dentist and other dental staff who provided services;
  - (3) A description of the treatment rendered, including billed service codes and fees associated with treatment, and tooth numbers when appropriate; and
  - (4) If necessary, referral information to another dentist as required by this regulation.

12. Cessation of Operation

- a. Upon cessation of operation by the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation, the Operator shall notify the Board within thirty (30)

days of the last day of operation in writing of the final disposition of patient records and charts.

- b. If the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation is sold, a new registration application must be filed with the Board.
- c. Upon choosing to discontinue practice or services in a community, the Operator of a mobile dental facility or portable dental operation shall notify all patients and dispose of all records in compliance with the requirements set forth in the Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct published by the American Dental Association (ADA) and Board regulations.
- d. The Operator shall make reasonable arrangements with the active patients of the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation for the transfer of the patient's records, including radiographs or copies thereof, to the succeeding practitioner or, at the written request of the patient, to the patient.
- e. As used in this section, "active patient" applies and refers to a person whom the mobile dental facility or portable dental operation has examined, treated, cared for, or otherwise consulted with during the two-year (2) year period prior to discontinuation of practice, or moving from or leaving the community.

*Regulation Sixty-One adopted by the Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners on February 25, 2005; amended May 6, 2005.*

## Mississippi's Licensure Examination Is Changing



The Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners (MSBDE) has elected to administer national uniform dental and dental hygiene clinical licensure examinations beginning September 2005. These examinations will replace the traditional dental and dental hygiene clinical licensure examinations administered during May or June each year by the MSBDE. These national examinations, currently being developed by the American Board of Dental Examiners (ADEX), will be known as the American Dental Licensing Examination (ADLEX).

The ADLEX for dentistry will be delivered in an integrated format as five (5) independent sections which are scheduled during appropriate curriculum checkpoints. There will be multiple opportunities for retake prior to a candidate's graduation; thus, intervening remediation for failures is possible. The dental clinical skills sections are: Prosthodontics, Endodontics, Restorative Dentistry, Periodontics, and Applied Diagnosis and Treatment Planning. The Prosthodontics and Endodontics sections are mannequin-based, simulated patient treatment examinations offered during the candidate's junior year in dental school. The Restorative Dentistry and Periodontics sections are patient-based examinations administered during the second half of the candidate's senior year in dental school, and

patients chosen for these examinations should be the patients of record for the candidate, with restorative treatment performed within an appropriate treatment plan. The Applied Diagnosis and Treatment Planning section is a computer-based examination administered during a candidate's senior year in dental school. The candidate's performance on each ADLEX section will be provided to both the candidate and the dental school to be utilized for appropriate remediation, should such remediation be required. Specific content for each of the dental sections is as follows:

- The mannequin-based Prosthodontics section consists of a posterior three-unit bridge preparation and an anterior full coverage preparation on tooth number 9.
- The mannequin-based Endodontics section consists of full endodontic treatment on tooth number 8 and an endodontic access preparation on an upper first molar.
- The patient-based Restorative Dentistry section consists of a Class II Amalgam preparation and restoration and a Class III Composite preparation and restoration.
- The patient-based Periodontics section consists of the identification and removal of calculus on 12 surfaces on 6 to 8 teeth which must meet certain criteria.
- As previously noted, the Applied Diagnosis and Treatment Planning section is a computer-based examination.



*District IV annual meeting, from left-to-right: Joseph S. Young, DMD, Eleanor A. Gill, DMD, M. Lewis Grubbs, DMD, A. Roddy Scarbrough, DMD, Ms. Connie Lane, and Robin H. Campassi, DMD*

The ADLEX for dental hygiene will consist of two (2) sections: Patient Assessment, Scaling, and Plaque/Stain Removal; and Treatment Standards. The Patient Assessment, Scaling, and Plaque/Stain Removal section includes an assessment of professional skills and knowledge; oral evaluation; periodontal probing; dentition; and scaling, which also includes treatment selection, plaque/stain removal, and tissue management. The Treatment Standards section includes an assessment of infection control, record-keeping, patient management, and professional de-

meanor. As with the dental clinical licensure examination, the dental hygiene clinical licensure examination is administered during the second half of a candidate's final year in dental hygiene school.

Licensure examinations administered by independent third parties, i.e., legislatively mandated dental/dental hygiene regulatory agencies, assure that candidates successfully demonstrate certain dental and dental hygiene critical competencies before being licensed to practice in individual states. ADEX President, Dr. Scott Houfek, is quoted as saying: "We are thrilled and excited that the dental boards from 43 states, 3 of the 4 regional dental testing agencies, and several of the independent state testing agencies have already expressed support for this effort." National dental and dental hygiene licensure examinations will enhance public protection in dentistry by establishing uniform testing standards. National examinations also can improve licensee mobility by allowing dentists and dental hygienists greater freedom of movement to practice in different states. Please feel free to contact the MSBDE office for questions regarding ADLEX.

*Submitted by William T. O'Brien, III, D.D.S.  
District VI Board Member*



*District V annual meeting, from left-to-right: Alvin L. Felts, Jr., DDS, Eleanor A. Gill, DMD, Frank L. Conaway, Jr., DMD, A. Roddy Scarbrough, DMD, Ms. Connie Lane, and Robin H. Campassi, DMD*



## THINGS TO NOTE

As mentioned in the "Regulation Highlight" section, at its meeting on January 7, 2005, the Board amended Board Regulation 29 (administration of anesthesia) to eliminate confusion as to the regulation's definitions, those licensed Mississippi dentists who must obtain an Enteral Conscious Sedation Permit, and the required didactic hours and clinical patient cases to obtain an Enteral Conscious Sedation Permit. The following section re-

garding Enteral Conscious Sedation Permits was amended to read:

No licensed dentist shall use enteral conscious sedation in his/her office on an out-patient basis for dental patients, unless such dentist possesses a permit of authorization issued by the Board. For example, conscious sedation can be achieved through inhalation agents and/or multiple doses of oral medications. Regardless of the enteral technique utilized, a dentist must have a permit to sedate a patient beyond anxiolysis.

Also, other than successfully completing an ADA-accredited post-doctoral training program or grandfathering, a licensed Mississippi dentist **MUST** successfully complete a Board-approved course by showing proof of completion of fifty (50) didactic hours and ten (10) clinical patient cases to obtain an Enteral Conscious Sedation Permit. No fewer hours/clinical patient cases will be accepted.

- At its November 19, 2004 meeting, the Board was requested to issue determinations as to several questions concerning enteral conscious sedation. The Board determined that if a licensed Mississippi dentist is seeking to achieve a level of anesthesia beyond anxiolysis, which may or may not include multiple dosing, the dentist will be required to obtain an Enteral Conscious Sedation Permit. If a dentist is administering a one-time dose within the maximum allowed dosage, the dentist does not have to obtain an Enteral Conscious Sedation Permit.
- As noted in the "Regulation Highlight" section, at its August 6, 2004 meeting, the Board amended Board Regulation 41 to allow continuing education credit for a maximum of four (4) hours over the two-year reporting period of computer-based, home study, and correspondence courses. Also, these courses **MUST** be approved by any one or more of the organizations listed in Sections 2 and 3 of Board Regulation 41, and they **MUST** contain a post-study examination which **MUST** be successfully completed by the dentists and dental hygienists, copies of which **MUST** be maintained in a licensee's continuing education file.
- At its meeting on November 19, 2004, the Board again amended Board Regulation 41 to require that licensed Mississippi dentists and dental hygienists obtain a minimum number of clinical continuing education hours during the two-year reporting period. Dentists are required to obtain a minimum of **twenty (20)** clinical continuing education hours over the two-year reporting period, and dental hygienists are required to obtain a minimum of **ten (10)** hours of clinical continuing education over the same period. Clinical continuing education is defined as "**personal attendance at clinical courses pertaining to the actual delivery of dental services to patients.**" Attendance at CPR, ACLS, PALS, or other Board-approved anesthesia courses **MAY** count toward the required hours of clinical continuing education. Also, the fines for dental hygienists were revised to be equal to those for dentists: 1st offense, \$500 fine; 2nd offense, \$1,000 fine plus 30-day license suspension; and 3rd offense, \$5,000 fine plus 6-month license suspension.



*District VI annual meeting, from left-to-right: William T. O'Brien, III, DDS, Ms. Leah Diane Howell, and Shannon P. Patterson, DMD*

- Did you know the Board is available to give presentations to study clubs, etc., for continuing education credit? These are fairly comprehensive presentations that provide information concerning the Board's structure, legislatively-mandated responsibilities, regulations, determinations, and other items of interest for attendees. Feel free to contact the Board's office if you are interested in scheduling a presentation for any dental, dental hygiene, or dental assistant meeting.
- If you sponsor a dental study club that gives continuing education credit, don't forget that your dental study club **MUST** be approved/recognized by the Mississippi Dental Association (MDA) and that it **MUST** be registered with the MDA on an annual basis. Otherwise, continuing education credit given to attendees at these dental study club meetings **MAY NOT** count toward fulfilling the continuing education requirements stipulated by Board Regulation 41.
- At its November 19, 2004 meeting, the Board began researching the feasibility of allowing licensed Mississippi dental hygienists, solely under the direct supervision of licensed Mississippi dentists, to administer local anesthesia. The licensed Mississippi dental hygienist would be required to obtain the appropriate education and training and subsequently apply to the Board for a permit to administer local anesthesia. According to the Board's research, some 30+ states allow dental hygienists to administer some form of anesthesia. Furthermore, even if a licensed Mississippi dental hygienist holds a permit to administer local anesthesia, the dental hygienist would not administer local anesthesia unless the licensed Mississippi dentist decides this is appropriate for his/her office.
- The following determinations have been made by the Board regarding appropriate procedures performed by dental auxiliaries:
  - Licensed Mississippi dental hygienists, under the direct supervision of licensed Mississippi dentists, **MAY** administer Oraqix, a form of dental topical anesthetic, both supragingivally and subgingivally; however, dental assistants **MAY NOT** administer this product.
  - The Board reiterated its position that dental auxiliaries **MAY NOT** carve and pack amalgams and place matrix bands.

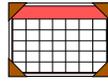
- The Board determined that it is within the scope of practice for licensed Mississippi dentists to utilize the OraQuick Advance Rapid HIV 1/2 Antibody Test; however, it is **NOT** an appropriate mechanism for advertising.
- All advertisements **MUST** contain the full name and degree of the dentist(s) providing services. Also, if any services are listed in the advertisement, the advertisement shall state either "general practice," "general dentistry," or the American Dental Association recognized specialty for which the individual has been issued a Mississippi specialty license. The word "family" may be substituted for the word "general."
- If a dentist advertises under any name other than his/her own name and degree, i.e., a corporate/trade name, that corporate/trade name **MUST** be approved by the Board prior to any such advertising. Also, as previously noted, the dentist **MUST** ensure the advertisement contains his/her full name and degree.
- Dental auxiliaries who have direct patient care responsibilities, regardless of the frequency of these responsibilities, **MUST** at all times maintain a current certification in CPR. Even if a dental auxiliary's primary function is administrative in nature (e.g., filing insurance, managing the front desk or the overall office, etc.), and that dental auxiliary performs chairside assistance on an as-needed basis, that dental auxiliary still **MUST** maintain current certification in CPR.



*March 2005 meeting of the American Association of Dental Examiners in Chicago, IL, from left-to-right: Thurmond Beasley, DDS, Ms. Leah Diane Howell, Rhonda C. Harper, RDH, and William T. O'Brien, III, DDS*

- **Annual renewal is just around the corner!** Renewal notices will be mailed the last week of August for the 2005-2006 renewal period. Renewal occurs September 1 through October 31, followed by a two-month penalty phase. Furthermore, all licenses/permits not renewed on or before December 31 will be voided on January 1, 2006 for a failure to re-register. Look for information concerning possible biennial/on-line renewal with this year's renewal forms.

# NOTEWORTHY DATES

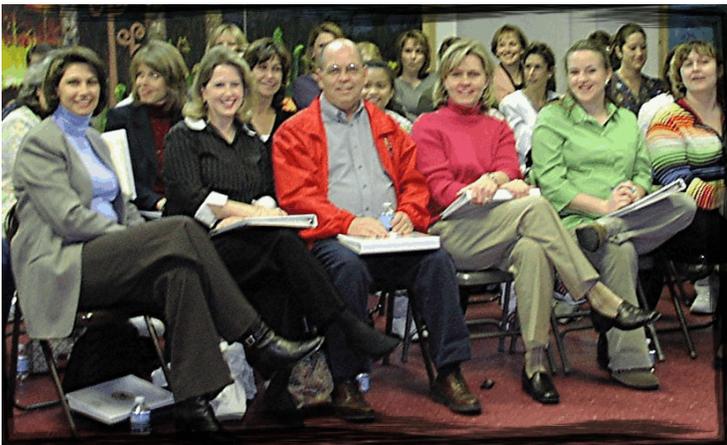
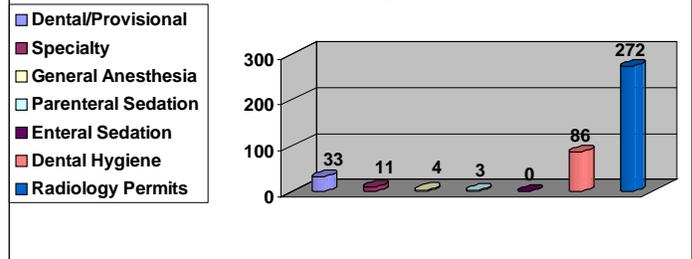


**A**s the Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners is a legislatively-mandated regulatory agency, its meetings are open to the public. However, due to the confidential and/or sensitive nature of certain aspects of the Board's business, the Board may vote to go into "Executive Session." Also, no items will be added to the agenda of any Board meeting as of one week prior to the date of that meeting. All meetings are held at Suite 100, 600 East Amite Street, Jackson, Mississippi; however, please call the office prior to any meeting to verify the correct date and time. You also may check the Board's web site (<http://www.msbde.state.ms.us>) to verify Board meeting and other dates by clicking the "Important Dates" button. The following are dates for Board meetings through December 2005 and the first ADLEX manikin examination:

**August 5, 2005**  
**September 17, 2005 (ADLEX--Manikin)**  
**October 21, 2005**  
**December 2, 2005**

Please visit the Board's web site to familiarize yourself with upcoming dates for Board-approved radiology permit seminars. Seminars are offered through Gulf Coast Community College, Hinds Community College, Louisiana State University, Meridian Community College, Northeast Mississippi Community College, and Pearl River Community College. Remember that no one, other than a currently licensed Mississippi dentist or dental hygienist, may administer radiographs in the dental office without first obtaining a radiology permit from the Board.

**Licenses/Permits Issued**  
**07/01/2004 through 06/30/2005**



*Attendees at the January 2005 MSBDE continuing education presentation to the Gulf Coast Dental Hygiene Component*



*January 2005 MSBDE continuing education presentation to Gulf Coast Dental Hygiene Component, from left-to-right: Marsha L. Parker, RDH, Janet B. McMurphy, RDH, Linda Z. Zakkak, RDH, Rhonda C. Harper, RDH, Jason R. Estep, RDH, Amy P. Ladner, RDH, and Tammy S. Gambill, RDH*

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*Board member, Thurmond Beasley, DDS, receiving his 30-year voluntary continuing education plaque from Mississippi Dental Association President, Robin H. Campassi, DMD, at the January 2005 District I annual meeting*



## DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

The following report on disciplinary actions covers the period June 9, 2004 through June 30, 2005. According to State law, investigations by the Board are confidential until official action is taken. The following is merely a summary of each disciplinary action taken and should not be interpreted as a complete statement of all facts and matters involved in each docket. Also, the Board typically includes several provisions in its orders which may not be summarized here. Although great care has been taken to ensure accuracy of the information provided hereafter, inadvertent errors may appear, and no entity should initiate an adverse action against a dentist, dental hygienist, or radiology permit holder based solely on the following information. Rather, the reader

should request a copy of the Board's order (\$5.00 per copy) prior to making any decisions affecting licensees. Further, it should be noted that the names of persons herein provided may be similar to the names of persons who have not had disciplinary actions or corrective measures taken by the Board. A Consent Order is a negotiation between the Board and the licensee and is a procedure for resolution of a disciplinary action without the necessity of a formal hearing, and a voluntary surrender of a license has the same effect as a full revocation.



- Ackerman, D.M.D., Peter L.; Ocean Springs, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2004-021**  
Allegation: Failure to document 40 hours continuing education, failure to provide CPR certification for dental auxiliaries with patient care responsibilities, and failure to provide current radiology permits for dental assistants who take radiographs, all during 2001-2003 compliance audit.  
Date/Action: 08/06/2004  
Disposition: Consent Order. Ensure future compliance with CE/CPR regulations; \$500.00 fine; \$115.00 costs.
- Burton, Jr., D.D.S., Charles H.; Greenville, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2004-028**  
Allegation: Failure to provide CPR certification for dental auxiliaries with patient care responsibilities during 2001-2003 compliance audit.  
Date/Action: 08/06/2004  
Disposition: Consent Order. Ensure future compliance with CE/CPR regulations; \$500.00 fine; \$110.00 costs.
- Dunn, D.D.S., Frederic B.; Gulfport, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2004-034**  
Allegation: Pled nolo contendere to a crime that relates to practice of dentistry; i.e., Medicaid fraud.  
Date/Action: 05/06/2005  
Disposition: Consent Order. Five (5) year license suspension automatically stayed pending certain probationary terms/conditions, i.e., successfully complete Board-approved CE concerning dental legal and ethical issues within one (1) year from date of Order; submit proof of CE/CPR; practice under periodic surveillance by Board which may perform patient chart review regarding billing, etc.; \$1,500.00 fine; \$3,650.00 costs.
- Ferguson, R.D.H., Clair Baker; Brandon, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2005-002**  
Allegation: Failure to document 20 hours continuing education during 2001-2003 compliance audit.  
Date/Action: 02/25/2005  
Disposition: Consent Order. Ensure future compliance with CE/CPR regulations; \$250.00 fine; \$107.00 costs.
- Germany, D.M.D., Jonathan D.; Brandon, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2005-012**  
Allegation: Failure to state "general practice" or "general dentistry" when listing services.  
Date/Action: 05/06/2005  
Disposition: Consent Order. Ensure all future advertisements comply with regulations; submit proof of CE/CPR; \$50.00 fine; \$115.00 costs.
- Gibson, R.D.H., Roberta; Laurel, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2004-023**  
Allegation: Failure to document 20 hours continuing education during 2001-2003 compliance audit.  
Date/Action: 08/06/2004  
Disposition: Consent Order. Ensure future compliance with CE/CPR regulations; \$250.00 fine; \$120.00 costs.
- Grissom, D.M.D., Heatherly Henson; Brandon, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2004-088**  
Allegation: Failure to include dentist's name in advertisement; failure to state "general practice" or "general dentistry" when listing services.  
Date/Action: 02/25/2005  
Disposition: Consent Order. Ensure all future advertisements comply with regulations; submit proof of CE/CPR; \$100.00 fine; \$120.00 costs.
- Grissom, D.M.D., Jason Scott; Brandon, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2004-087**  
Allegation: Failure to include dentist's name in advertisement; failure to state "general practice" or "general dentistry" when listing services.  
Date/Action: 02/25/2005  
Disposition: Consent Order. Ensure all future advertisements comply with regulations; submit proof of CE/CPR; \$100.00 fine; \$120.00 costs.
- Guillot, III, D.M.D., Walter L.; Gulfport, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2004-074**  
Allegation: Failure to include full name and degree of practitioner providing services on two (2) billboard advertisements.  
Date/Action: 01/05/2005  
Disposition: Consent Order. Ensure all future advertisements comply with regulations; submit proof of CE/CPR; \$100.00 fine; \$115.00 costs.
- Henry, R.D.H., Reba Renee; Lucedale, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2005-003**  
Allegation: Failure to document 20 hours continuing education during 2001-2003 compliance audit.  
Date/Action: 02/25/2005  
Disposition: Consent Order. Ensure future compliance with CE/CPR regulations; \$250.00 fine; \$107.00 costs.
- Holt, D.M.D., Edwin Love; Woodville, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2004-060**  
Allegation: Failure to include dentist's name in advertisement.  
Date/Action: 11/19/2004  
Disposition: Consent Order. Ensure all future advertisements comply with regulations; submit proof of CE/CPR; \$50.00 fine; \$200.00 costs.
- McInteer, D.M.D., Braden Lee; Madison, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2004-089**  
Allegation: Failure to include dentist's name in advertisement; failure to state "general practice" or "general dentistry" when listing services.  
Date/Action: 02/25/2005  
Disposition: Consent Order. Ensure all future advertisements comply with regulations; submit proof of CE/CPR; \$100.00 fine; \$120.00 costs.
- Palmer, R.D.H., Allison Dees; Philadelphia, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2005-001**  
Allegation: Failure to document 20 hours continuing education during 2002-2004 compliance audit.  
Date/Action: 02/25/2005  
Disposition: Consent Order. Ensure future compliance with CE/CPR regulations; \$250.00 fine; \$107.00 costs.
- Posey, D.D.S., Halsey D.; West Point, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2005-004**  
Allegation: Failure to document current CPR during 2002-2004 compliance audit.  
Date/Action: 02/25/2005  
Disposition: Consent Order. Ensure future compliance with CE/CPR regulations; \$500.00 fine; \$107.00 costs.
- Rayborn, W. L.; Brookhaven, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2002-037**  
Allegation: Practicing dentistry without a license.  
Date/Action: 12/02/2004  
Disposition: Chancery Court Order. Immediately cease practicing dentistry; remove all signs, etc.; post new \$5,000.00 performance bond with State; \$5,000.00 fine as forfeiture of previous bond; \$1,072.00 costs to Board.

**Stingley, D.M.D., Aileen Chase; Jackson, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2004-040**

**Allegation:** Prescribing Phentermine outside scope of practice of dentistry.

**Date/Action:** 02/25/2005

**Disposition:** Consent Order. Formal reprimand and license placed on probation for three (3) years from date of Order; within two (2) years must obtain and submit proof of completion of 20 hours of CE in addition to CE required by Regulation 41; prescribe only medications clearly within scope of dentistry; maintain complete patient records; practice under periodic surveillance by Board which may perform patient chart review; submit proof of CE/CPR; \$50.00 fine; \$135.00 costs.

**Stingley, D.M.D., Aileen Chase; Jackson, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2005-013**

**Allegation:** Failure to document 40 hours continuing education pursuant to terms of Consent Order in MSBDE Docket No. 2004-040.

**Date/Action:** 05/06/2005

**Disposition:** Consent Order. Ensure future compliance CE/CPR regulations; \$500.00 fine; \$145.00 costs.

**Thomas, D.M.D., C. Brent; Vicksburg, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2004-011**

**Allegation:** Fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading advertising, i.e., advertising "Migraine Relief," which does not pertain to practice of dentistry.

**Date/Action:** 06/09/2004

**Disposition:** Consent Order. Ensure all future advertisements comply with regulations; submit proof of CE/CPR; \$100.00 fine; \$90.00 costs.

**Tillery, D.D.S., Douglas W.; Laurel, MS; MSBDE Docket No. 2004-073**

**Allegation:** Failure to include full name and degree of practitioner providing services on two (2) billboard advertisements.

**Date/Action:** 01/05/2005

**Disposition:** Consent Order. Ensure all future advertisements comply with regulations; submit proof of CE/CPR; \$100.00 fine; \$115.00 costs.



*Attendees at the February 2005 MSBDE presentation to dental assisting students at Hinds Community College, Jackson campus*

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Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 73-9-19, every licensed dentist and dental hygienist "shall immediately keep the board advised of any change in address of his office or residence." Additionally, Board Regulation 25, 4.a., stipulates that "[e]very person holding a radiology permit shall promptly keep the Board advised of any change of mailing address." Therefore, if you have changed your employer, home, business, mailing, or satellite address/telephone, please use this form to notify the MSBDE of such. Otherwise, keep this form in your files should you need to notify the MSBDE of a future change of information. You may cut along the dotted line, affix a postage stamp to the reverse side of this form, and mail it directly to the Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners. If you wish, you may send this form via facsimile to (601)944-9624, or you may e-mail any changes via the Board's web site (<http://www.msbde.state.ms.us>). Please call (601)944-9622 if you have any questions.

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