



STATE OF WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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WASHINGTON DENTAL COMMISSION

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, February 13, 2025

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bryan Swanson, DDS, Chair
Sonia Pal, DMD, Vice-Chair
Joy McDaniel, DMD
Nisha Sharoff, DDS
Marlynnne Fulton, Public Member
Carolin Spice, Public Member
McKinley Rainey, Public Member
Miryam Nossa, EFDA
Rama Oskouian, DMD
Seung Yu, DDS
Ji Choi, DDS

STAFF PRESENT

Trina Crawford, Executive Director
Bruce Bronoske Jr., Dental Program
Administrator
Debbie Gardner, Program Manager
Kitty Einert, Program Manager
Cassandra Gerard, Administrative Assistant
Lady Bah, Assistant Program Manager
Catharine Roner-Reiter, Supervising Staff
Attorney
Heather Carter, AAG
Mikala Lord, Policy Analyst

MEMBERS ABSENT

Evelyn Harry, EFDA
Tiffany Bass, DDS
Erich Jurges, DDS
Samantha Kofler, DDS
Sarah Khan, DMD
Cheon Joo Yoon, DDS

OPEN SESSION

OPEN SESSION – 12:31 p.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Bryan Swanson, DDS, Chair
 - 1.1. Introduction of commission members and staff.
 - Ms. Gardner introduces commission members and staff.
 - 1.2. Public Comment.

- Dr. Swanson opens the floor for public comment.
- No comment received.

1.3. Approval of agenda.

- There is a motion to approve the agenda.
- The motion is moved and seconded.
- A vote is taken and unanimously passes.

2. PEDIATRIC SEDATION ENDORSEMENT

2.1. The Commission will review the pediatric sedation endorsement policy statement.

- Ms. Gardner informs the Commission that there have been some challenges with building the new pediatric sedation endorsement credential into the Healthcare Enforcement and Licensing Management System (HELMS).
- Ms. Gardner shares that on the morning of February 13, 2024, the Department of Health announced that the HELMS Project Team, Steering Committee, and liaison group decided to delay HELMS Release 2 until later this spring.
- Ms. Gardner shares that the Mid-February credentialing freeze has been delayed until sometime in spring.
- There will be a four-week period where pediatric sedation endorsement applications cannot be processed following the spring credentialing freeze to accommodate building the new endorsement into HELMS.
- Until the spring credentialing freeze occurs, pediatric sedation endorsement paper applications can continue to be processed.
- Dr. Swanson facilitates a discussion with the Commission regarding the most appropriate action to take in response to the latest HELMS update.

2.2. The Commission may vote to approve further extending the effective date for the pediatric sedation endorsement.

- There is a motion to extend the pediatric sedation endorsement effective date to June 30, 2025.
- The motion is moved and seconded.
- A vote is taken and unanimously passes.

3. FUTURE BUSINESS

- No future business is discussed.

4. ADJOURN

- The meeting is adjourned at 12:44 p.m.

Submitted by:

Debbie Gardner, Program Manager
Washington Dental Commission

Approved by:

Bryan Swanson, DDS, Chair
Washington Dental Commission

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