ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

Date | time 5/11/2018 8:30 AM | Meeting called to order by Dr. Drew Toole

In Attendance

Board Members
Dr. Drew Toole, Dr. L. Frederick Church, Jr., Dr. CW Dill, Dr. James Moore, Erika Thomas RDH, Donna White, and Dr. Matthew McDonough

Board Staff
Donna, Cobb (Executive Director), Meredith Rogers (Investigator), Corneshia Harrison (Administrative Analyst) and Kevin O'Dwyer (Attorney)

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the March 16, 2018 minutes.

Attendances Per Board/Consent Order

Dr. Shannon Gore Wright appeared before the Board with Rebecca Gaston, program director of the Arkansas Medical Foundation. Dr. Wright reported that she is working at the Arkansas Department of Corrections, and will get caught up on the fees that she owes to the Foundation. Dr. Wright will revisit the Board in June.

Public Hearing: Article XX

A Public Hearing was held on the following article:
Article XX – Prescribing

1. Pursuant to Act 820 of 2017, a prescriber who prescribes Schedule drugs shall be required by the Board to register with the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program and access patient information before writing a prescription for an opioid.
2. A practitioner who fails to access the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program as required is subject to disciplinary action by the Board.
3. Prescriber Requirements:
   a. It is incumbent of dentist to prescribe sufficient but minimal opiate medications. Any prescription for a Scheduled II or III opiate shall not exceed the total maximum manufacturer’s recommended daily dose for a total of 7 days administration (7 time the MRDD).
   b. Patient record must be documented for need of any re-dosing.
   c. Dentist shall check the information in the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program when prescribing:
      i. An opioid from Schedule II or III for every time prescribing the medication to a patient; and
      ii. A benzodiazepine medication for the first time prescribing the medication to a patient
   d. Within the first two (2) years of being granted a license in the state, a prescriber shall obtain a minimum of three (3) hours of prescribing education approved by the board under this section shall include:
      i. Option for online and in person programs; and
      ii. Information on prescribing rules, regulations, and laws that apply to individuals who are licensed in Arkansas.
      iii. Information and instructions on prescribing controlled substances, records keeping and maintain safe and professional boundaries.
   e. Current license in the state have until December 31, 2019 to complete the minimum three (3) hours of prescribing education referenced in this article 3.d.
With no one speaking for or against the proposed article, a motion was made, seconded and passed to strike “e” from the article. A motion was made, seconded and passed to pass Article XX.

**Interviews for Licensure by Credentials**

The following dentists and hygienists each appeared before the Board for an Arkansas dental license by credentials:

- DENTISTS
  - Alissa Medina, DMD
  - Samir Patel, DMD
  - Thomas Shannon, DDS
  - Ettienne Van Zyl, DDS
- HYGIENIST
  - Christi Oberling, RDH

After some discussion, motions were made, seconded and passed to issue dental licenses to each of the dentists, and a dental hygiene license to Ms. Oberling.

**Fictitious Name Requests**

The following fictitious names were reviewed and approved:

- Children’s Dentistry of Jonesboro, My Village Pediatric Dentistry, Pediatric Dentistry of Jonesboro, and Leap Kids Pediatric Dental (Dr. Bryan Angel)
- Highland Family Dentistry, Arkansas Dentistry & Braces, AR Dentistry & Braces, Petkovich Family Dentistry, Mangan Dental Group, and Impact Oral Surgery (Dr. Mark L. Dake)
- Arkansas Dentures and Implants (Dr. Kaleb Harp)
- Adlong Dental (Dr. Luke Adlong)

The Board reviewed and denied the fictitious name “My Village Pediatric Orthodontics” requested by Dr. Bryan Angel.

**Reports**

**Board Office Report**

Donna Cobb reported that financial reports and the agency’s risk assessment were available for review.

**Complaint Committee Report**

The Committee met the previous evening and reviewed five complaints. One complaint was referred to Peer Review, and three complaints were tabled. The next Complaint Committee meeting is scheduled for June 21, 2018.

**Rules & Regulations Committee Report**

Ms. Thomas wanted clarification from the Board on Article XI concerning the number of days that a hygienist can see patients without the doctor in the office. The Committee also met the previous evening.

**Prescription Monitoring Program Report**

Dr. Church reported that all dentists should have received their provider reports.
**Clinical Examination Updates**

Dr. Dill reported that he feels that the quality of the WREB clinical examination is equal to, if not better than, other clinical exams; he participated in an examination at Boston University. Dr. Thomas Isbell informed the Board of the history of SRTA.

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**Other Business**

Dr. Jeff Sulitzer from Smile Direct Club appeared before the board to discuss Article XXI on teledentistry. The matter was tabled for review by the Rules and Regulations Committee.

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**Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for June 22, 2018 at 8:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

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