

CLINICAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MEETING  
TENNESSEE BOARD OF DENTISTRY  
AUGUST 19, 2014

The Clinical Issues Committee met August 19, 2014, in the Iris Room, 665 Mainstream Drive, Nashville Tennessee, beginning at 2:00 p.m.. Present were Committee Members Stephen J. Maroda, Jr., DDS, Charles E. Holt, Jr., DDS, Ernest J. DeWald, DDS, and Dan Thomas Meadows, DDS. Also present were Jennifer Putnam, Esq., Assistant General Counsel, and Sue Kerley, Board Administrator. With Dr. Maroda acting as Chair, the meeting opened for discussion of proposed changes to the anesthesia and sedation rules and rules for office inspections.

The Committee reviewed Rule 0460-2-.07 ANESTHESIA AND SEDATION and made recommendations for changes. The major change affected the renewal of the sedation permit certification. The proposed rule would require certification of review and compliance with the general rules for conscious sedation (0460-02-.07(6)(b)] or deep sedation/general anesthesia [0460-02-107(7)(b)]; and certification of review and compliance with the Equipment and Drug List Policy Statement available on the board's website. Failure to provide this certification to the Board at time of renewal would result in the sedation certification being removed and the permit holder being unable to perform procedures required by the permit until such time as the permit holder is in compliance, and could result in an office inspection of the permit holder. It was the consensus of the Committee that these proposed changes be submitted to the Anesthesia Committee for review in advance of their next scheduled meeting on September 27, 2014, and requested the Anesthesia Committee provide input to the Board at their next meeting scheduled for September 18-19, 2014.

Also referred to the Anesthesia Committee for review was whether to continue to allow a dentist to substitute PALS certification for ACLS certification or require that a dentist with a sedation permit have both certifications.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.