

# STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DIVISION OF HEALTH LICENSURE AND REGULATION OFFICE OF HEALTH RELATED BOARDS 665 MAINSTREAM DRIVE NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37243

TENNESSEE BOARD OF DENTISTRY (615) 532-3202 or 1-800-778-4123 ext. 5325073

https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/dentistry-board.html

### REINSTATEMENT/REACTIVATION APPLICATION

The requirements for reinstatement/reactivation are supported by Rules 0460-1-.04 and 0460-1-.05, 0460-2-.08 and 0460-2-.09, 0460-3-.07 and 0460-3-.08, 0460-4-.06 and 0460-4-.07 and T.C.A. 63-5-117 and T.C.A. 63-1-107. Please read all instructions and the rules applicable before applying. Every question on the application must be answered. If a question does not apply to you, please indicate that the section is not applicable.

### PROCEDURES FOR REINSTATEMENT/REACTIVATION

- 1. Please allow 10 working days for information submitted to be received and placed in the file. Federal Express and other special courier services will not reduce the processing time. Additionally, if Federal Express or special courier services are used you will be responsible for any of these charges incurred.
- 2. All documents and fees required to be submitted by you, or those documents you requested from the appropriate institutions, must be mailed directly to:

Tennessee Board of Dentistry 665 Mainstream Drive Nashville, TN 37243

- 3. Only the applicant may request a status of the application. Please inform hospitals, employers, recruiters, referral companies or insurance companies that application status updates must be obtained from you.
- 4. If the application is not complete upon receipt by the Board's administrative office, a deficiency letter will be sent to you by certified mail. The supporting documentation requested in the letter must be received in the Board's administrative office sixty (60) days from the date of the deficiency letter. Applications not completed within sixty (60) days will be closed. Once an incomplete file has been closed, all applicants must file a new application and submit, or cause to be submitted, all supporting documentation.
- 5. It is unlawful to continue or resume practice as a Dentist, Dental Hygienist, or Dental Assistant in Tennessee until the Tennessee Board of Dentistry grants you reinstatement or reactivation of your license or registration.

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR REACTIVATION

Once all documentation requested below has been received and approved by the Board Consultant, you will be notified, in writing, of the current fees due to reactivate your license/registration. Anyone submitting a Reinstatement/Reactivation Application in which any information provided by the applicant is found to be untrue, may be subject to denial, suspension, revocation, or other restrictions or conditions and/or assessment of civil penalties for each separate violation as provided in T.C.A. § 63-5-124.

- 1. To reactivate a retired license within two (2) years of submitting the retirement form, you must:
  - (a) Submit the attached application.
  - (b) All applicants must complete the attached Declaration of Citizenship form and submit the documents required. The Declaration is available online at <a href="https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/dentistry-board.html">https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/dentistry-board.html</a>.
  - (c) Submit documentation of twenty (20) hours for dentists, fifteen (15) hours for dental hygienists or twelve (12) hours for dental assistants of Board approved continuing education as outlined in 0460-1.05.
  - (d) Submit the front and back of your current CPR.
  - (e) Request a verification letter of your licensure status from any and all states which you are licensed/registered or have ever held a license/registration. The letter must be sent directly from the state's board to our administrative office.
- 2. To reactivate a retired license which has been retired over two (2) years of submitting the retirement form, you must:
  - (a) Submit the attached application.
  - (b) All applicants must complete the attached Declaration of Citizenship form and submit the documents required.
  - (c) Submit proof of twenty four (24) hours of Board approved dental related continuing education as outlined in 0460-1-.05 which one course focuses on and serves as a clinical (in the mouth) refresher and must have been earned in the preceding twelve (12) months. Dental assistants must submit 12 hours.
  - (d) Submit the front and back of your current CPR.
  - (e) Request a verification letter of your licensure status from any and all states in which you are licensed/registered or have ever been licensed/registered. The letter must be sent directly from the state's board to our administrative office.
  - (f) If requested, after review by the Board, a designated Board member, or the Board Consultant, you may be required to appear before the Board, a Board member, or the Board Consultant for an interview regarding continued competence. In addition, the Board or the Board Consultant may require the licensee to contact one of the approved schools of dentistry/hygiene for an evaluation of current competency before reactivation will be considered.
  - (g) All applicants who have been retired for a period of five (5) years or more must submit the reactivation application and shall be required to present themselves to one of the approved schools of dentistry/hygiene for an evaluation of current competency before reactivation will be considered. Upon receipt of a written request and explanation, the Board <u>may</u> waive the requirement for an evaluation for clinical competency. Dental assistants are required to submit proof of 24 hours of continuing education taken within the last 12 months instead of being evaluated for competency.

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR REINSTATEMENT

Once all information requested below has been received and approved by the Board Consultant, you will be notified of the fees due to reinstate, which will include the reinstatement fee, state regulatory fees, and all current and past due renewal fees. Anyone submitting a Reinstatement/Reactivation Application in which any information provided by the applicant is found to be untrue, may be subject to denial, suspension, revocation, or other restrictions or conditions and/or assessment of additional civil penalties for each separate violation as provided in T.C.A. § 63-5-124.

- 1. To reinstate a license that is revoked for failure to renew (expired), follow the instructions below:
  - (a) Complete and submit the attached application.
  - (b) All applicants must complete the attached Declaration of Citizenship form and submit the documents required.
  - (c) Submit documentation of the required Board approved continuing education hours for each year you were failed to renew as outlined in 0460-1-.05 and 0460-4-.04(6). If expired less than two (2) years, please send the hours for the two (2) years prior to this application. Effective January 2003, the required continuing education hours are on a 2 year cycle that runs from January of an odd year to December of an even year. Dentist are required to complete 40 hours of approved CE, dental hygienist are required to complete 30 hours of approved CE, and dental assistants are required to complete 24 hours of approved CE. In the 2 year cycle, 2 hours of continuing education in the subject of chemical dependency is required for all dental professionals. Effective January 2015, dentists must have 2 hours in prescribing of controlled substances that included the TN Chronic Pain Guidelines. These 2 hours can be used for the chemical dependency requirement.

Year	Total Number of Hours (includes the 2 hours in chemical dependency)				
03-04	40 hrs-dentists	30 hrs-hygienists	24 hours for ALL dental assistants		
05-06	40 hrs-dentists	30 hrs-hygienists	24 hours for ALL dental assistants		
07-08	40 hrs-dentists	30 hrs-hygienists	24 hours for ALL dental assistants		
09-10	40 hrs-dentists	30 hrs-hygienists	24 hours for ALL dental assistants		
11-12	40 hrs-dentists	30 hrs-hygienists **	24 hours for ALL dental assistants		
13-14*	40 hrs-dentists	30 hrs-hygienists **	24 hours for ALL dental assistants		
15-16*	40 hrs-dentists	30 hrs-hygienists **	24 hours for ALL dental assistants		

<sup>\*</sup> These hours are to be submitted if your application is received after January 1, 2015.

- (d) Submit the front and back of your current CPR card.
- (e) Request a verification letter of your licensure/registration status from all states which you are or have ever been licensed/registered. The letter must be sent directly from that state's board to our administrative office.
- (f) Any registrant who fails to renew their license/registration prior to the expiration of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year after which renewal is due, may be required to meet other conditions as the Board may deem necessary to protect the public.
- (g) If requested, after review by the Board, a designated Board member, or the Board Consultant, you may be required to appear before the Board, a Board member, or the Board consultant for an interview.
- (h) Once your reinstatement application has been approved by the Board Consultant, you will be notified in writing of the fees due and your license/registration will be reinstated upon receipt of all fees due.

<sup>\*\*</sup> No more than 50% of the hours submitted by dental hygienists can be online or web-based.



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	PROFESSION	 TYPE OF REQUEST
	DENTIST	Reactivating a license that has been retired
	DENTAL HYGIENIST	Reactivating a license that has been military retired
	DENTAL ASSISTANT	Reinstating a license that is expired
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Date			
Legal Name:			
Name on License/Registration:			
(If your name has changed, a copy of the legal document th	at changed your name is required.)		
License/Registration Number:	Email address:		
Do you wish to receive notification, including re email? Yes No	newal notification, from the Department of Health via		
Social Security Number: All applicants must comp	U.S. Citizen: Yes No lete the attached Declaration of Citizenship form		
Issue Date:	Date of Birth:		
Complete Mailing Address:			
	Work Phone Number: ()		
Complete Work Address/			
or Intended Work Address			
	iration:		
Reason for requesting reactivation or reinstatement	ent of your license/registration:		

### **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

Please complete your employment history since at least 1 year <u>before</u> the expiration date of the Tennessee license/registration, starting with the most current position first. Explain any breaks in employment. Use the back of this page, if you need additional space. This section is required and your application will not be reviewed for approval until a complete work history has been received. <u>If you work for a company, also list the name(s) of your supervising dentist.</u>

COMPLETE DATES	NAME AND LOCATION	MAJOR JOB DUTIES PERFORMED	TITLE OF POSITION HELD	
OF EMPLOYMENT	OF EMPLOYER	(Check <u>all</u> that apply. You must be specific	(Circle all that apply)	
		with other duties.)		
/to	Employer:	all duties of a dentist or specialist all duties of a dental hygienist all duties of a registered dental assistant all duties of a certified dental assistant only duties of a practical dental assistant	Dentist Dental Hygienist Registered Dental Assistant Certified Dental Assistant	
	City: State: Supervising Dentist:	administration of sedation/anesthesia administration of local anesthesia administration of nitrous oxide x-rays monitoring sedation/anesthesia sealants monitoring nitrous oxide coronal polishing other:	Practical Dental Assistant Office Manager/Receptionist Other:	
/to	Employer: Address:  City: State: Supervising Dentist:	all duties of a dentist or specialist all duties of a dental hygienist all duties of a registered dental assistant all duties of a certified dental assistant only duties of a practical dental assistant administration of sedation/anesthesia administration of local anesthesia administration of nitrous oxide x-rays monitoring sedation/anesthesia sealants monitoring nitrous oxide coronal polishing other:	Dentist Dental Hygienist Registered Dental Assistant Certified Dental Assistant Practical Dental Assistant Office Manager/Receptionist Other:	
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### **CAREFULLY READ ALL QUESTIONS**

Circle YES if any of the following questions apply to you. If you answer YES to any of the questions, attach an explanation and request any documentation from the states, courts, or agencies be submitted to the board's administrative office.

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I have been convicted of a crime and I have not previously notified the Board in writing of that action  My license has been disciplined in another state and I have not previously notified the board in writing of that action				
	CERTIFICATIO	ON INFORMATION		
	those states submit veri	een or are currently license fication of your licensure sta ply, mark N/A.	•	
STATE LICENSED	LICENSE NUMBER	STATUS OF LICENSE	DATE IS	SSUED
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PLEASE CON	PLETE THE AFFIDAVIT A	ND SIGN IN THE PRESENCE	OF A NOTARY	•
the best of my knowle Application is found to	dge and belief. I also be untrue, I may be	me in this application is tru understand that if any inf subject to denial, suspens ivil penalties for each separa	ormation pro sion, revocati	vided in this on, or other
Signature		 Date		·
Sworn to before me, this	day of		,	·
Notary Public				CEAL
				SEAL
My commission expires				