

MINUTES
TENNESSEE BOARD OF DENTISTRY
ANESTHESIA TASKFORCE

Date: March 1, 2018

Location: Tennessee Department of Health
665 Mainstream Drive
Nashville, TN 37243

Members Present: Katherine N. Hall, DDS
Nadim Jubran, DDS (phone)
Randall Prince, DDS (phone)
Donald D. Henson, DDS (phone)
Stephen J. Maroda, Jr., DDS
John R. Werther, DMD, MD
George A. Adams, DDS

Staff Present: Jennifer Putnam, Assistant General Counsel
Dea Smith, Board Director
Ailene Macias, Administrative Manager

Dr. Katherine Hall called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm. Dr. Prince, Dr. Henson, and Dr. Jubran were present by phone.

After discussion, it was mutually decided that the language in the rules for anesthesia and sedation should be altered in order to change the word "dentist" to "facility." The taskforce members agreed the dental practice/facility will be holding a separate anesthesia permit from the individual permits held by the practitioners.

The taskforce made the following changes to the proposed rules:

- 1 (h) An unanimous decision was made to remove "minimum standard of care" from the language of this rule. A request was made to include language for mobile services/mobile service providers.
- 12 (a) – A unanimous decision was made to change all wording in this rule that specified the "dentist" in regards to their individual anesthesia/sedation permit, be reworded to specify the "facility" permit would require an inspection of the facility.
- 12 (b) – A unanimous decision was made to change "30 calendar days" to "90 calendar days" of the date the notice was mailed for scheduling or completion of the inspection. A request was made to add language to this rule concerning liability for the inspector.
- 12 (c) – After discussion, the task force agreed the completed inspection documents can be submitted by mail or electronic mail within 30 calendar days of inspection.
- After discussion, the task force decided to strike 12(d) Facility Equipment and 12(e) Required Drugs removed from the rules.
- 12(g) a. 10 days will be changed to 30 days for the inspector to grade the office as passing or failing.
- 12 (g) "c." will be added to have language concerning what takes place after an inspection was failed and the board reviews the inspection deficiencies. "c." would also include language pertaining to if an inspection should result in the facility having the sedation/anesthesia permit suspended due to a failed inspection. A request was made by Dr. Jubran to add language to allow for requests to be made for an extension to remedy deficiencies found in the inspection. "d." will be added to provide language concerning proof of remedy of inspection deficiencies.
- 12 (h) – A unanimous decision was made to strike a, b, and d. "C" would be combined or added to (g).
- It was agreed upon to remove federal facilities, dental schools, and hospitals from the list of facilities being required to be inspected.

The Task Force will meet again on April 19, 2018.