

**LCB File No. R139-05**

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE BOARD OF  
DENTAL EXAMINERS OF NEVADA**

**This proposed regulation replaces the draft posted on 8/30/2005**

**NOTICE OF WORKSHOP AND PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING USE OF LASERS  
IN DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENE  
(PERMANENT REGULATION)**

**Notice of Workshop and Public Hearing for Permanent Regulations of the  
Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners**

**The Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners** will hold a public workshop and hearing on Tuesday, November 15, 2005 at **6:00 pm** at the Board Office, 6010 S. Rainbow Blvd, Suite A-1, Las Vegas, Nevada 89118 (Videoconferencing available at the office of the Nevada State Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way #201, Reno, NV 89502-6547). The purpose of the workshop and public hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding draft language for adoption of permanent regulations regarding the use of lasers in dentistry and dental hygiene contained in chapter 631 of the Nevada Administrative Code.

Persons wishing to comment and participate in the workshop of the **NEVADA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS**, may appear at the scheduled workshop and hearing or may address their comments, data, views or arguments, in written form to: **Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners, 6010 S. Rainbow Blvd, A-1, Las Vegas, Nevada 89118, Attn: Kathleen Kelly, Executive Director; FAX number (702) 486-7046; e-mail address [nsbde@nsbde.nv.gov](mailto:nsbde@nsbde.nv.gov)**. Written submissions must be received by the **NEVADA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS** on or before November 10, 2005 in order to make copies available to members and the public.

A copy of this notice will be on file at the State Library, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the notice will be available at the office of the **Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners, 6010 S. Rainbow Blvd. A-1, Las Vegas, Nevada 89118**; and in all counties in which an office of the agency is not maintained, at the main public library, for inspection and copying by members of the public during business hours. This notice is also available on the Board website at: [www.nvdentalboard.org](http://www.nvdentalboard.org).

**This notice has been posted at the following locations:**

Clark County District Health Department, 625 Shadow Lane, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Elko County Courthouse, Room 106, Elko, Nevada.

Washoe County Courthouse, 75 Court Street, Reno, Nevada.

Office of the N.S.B.D.E., 6010 S. Rainbow Blvd A-1, Las Vegas, Nevada.  
Carson City Library, 900 N. Roop St., Carson City, Nevada.  
Churchill County Library, 553 S. Main St., Fallon, Nevada.  
Las Vegas Library, 833 Las Vegas Blvd, North, Las Vegas, Nevada.  
Douglas County Library, 1625 Library Lane, Minden, Nevada.  
Elko County Library, 720 Court St., Elko, Nevada.  
Goldfield Public Library, Fourth & Crook St., Goldfield, Nevada.  
Eureka Branch Library, 10190 Monroe St., Eureka, Nevada.  
Humboldt County Library, 85 East 5th St., Winnemucca, Nevada.  
Battle Mountain Branch Library, 625 Broad St., Battle Mountain, Nevada.  
Lincoln County Library, 93 Main Street, Pioche, Nevada .  
Lyon County Library, 20 Nevin Way, Yerington, Nevada .  
Mineral County Library, First & A Street, Hawthorne, Nevada.  
Tonopah Public Library, 171 Central St., Tonopah, Nevada.  
Pershing County Library, 1125 Central Ave., Lovelock, Nevada.  
Storey County Library, 95 South R. St., Virginia City, Nevada.  
Washoe County Library, 301 S. Center St., Reno, Nevada.  
White Pine County Library, 950 Campton St., Ely, Nevada.  
Las Vegas Office of the State Attorney General, 555 E. Washington Ave, Las Vegas, Nevada  
Carson City Office of the State Attorney General, 100 N. Carson St., Carson City, Nevada

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Utilization of laser radiation in the performance of the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene.

New section to read:

*Within 1 year of the effective date of this regulation, each licensee who uses or wishes to use laser radiation in his practice of dentistry or dental hygiene must include with his application for annual renewal of his license proof that he is certified in the use of a laser, approved by the FDA, having successfully completed a laser proficiency course of at least 6 hours that utilizes the Curriculum Guidelines and Standards for Dental Laser Education as recognized by the Academy of Laser Dentistry.*

NAC 631.030: Provision of certain information and documentation by applicant for licensure; examination for certain licenses (NRS 631.190; 631.220; **631.250**; 631.255; 631.272; **631.273**; 631.274; **631.275**)

*Section (2) (b) If applicable, the proof required by subsection 5;*

*(5) An applicant for licensure who wishes to use laser radiation in his practice of dentistry or dental hygiene must provide to the Board proof that he has successfully completed a laser proficiency course of at least 6 hours that utilizes the Curriculum Guidelines and Standards for Dental Laser Education as recognized by the Academy of Laser Dentistry.*

NAC 631.210 (2)(f): Duties delegable to a dental hygienist

*Section 2(f): Apply and activate agents for bleaching teeth with a light source*

*(g) Use a laser that has been approved by the Food and Drug Administration to perform intrasulcular periodontal procedures or tooth whitening procedures if:*

- (1) The use of such a laser for those purposes is within the scope of the education, experience, and training of the dental hygienist;*
- (2) Before operating the laser, the dental hygienist has provided proof to the dentist that the dental hygienist has successfully completed a laser proficiency course of at least 6 hours that utilizes the Curriculum Guidelines and Standards for Dental Laser Education as recognized by the Academy of Laser Dentistry; and*
- (3) The supervising dentist has successfully completed a laser proficiency course of at least 6 hours that utilizes the Curriculum Guidelines and Standards for Dental Laser Education as recognized by the Academy of Laser Dentistry.*