

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

LCB File No. R149-06

Effective September 18, 2006

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~[omitted material]~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 631.190 and 631.342.

A REGULATION relating to dentistry; revising the approved subjects for continuing education courses in dentistry and dental hygiene; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Section 1. NAC 631.175 is hereby amended to read as follows:

631.175 1. Approved subjects for continuing education in dentistry and dental hygiene are:

(a) *Clinical subjects, including, without limitation:*

(1) Dental and medical health;

~~[(b)]~~ (2) Preventive services;

~~[(c)]~~ (3) Dental diagnosis and treatment planning;

~~[(d)]~~ and

(4) Dental clinical procedures, including corrective and restorative oral health procedures and basic dental sciences, dental research and new concepts in dentistry;

~~[(e)]~~ and

(b) *Nonclinical subjects, including, without limitation:*

(1) Dental practice organization and management;

~~[(f)]~~ (2) Patient management skills;

~~[(g)]~~ (3) Methods of health care delivery; and

~~[(h)]~~ (4) Teaching methodology.

2. At least 15 of the hours of continuing education required for dentists by NAC 631.173 must be in ~~[(the approved subjects listed in paragraphs (a) to (d), inclusive,)]~~ *clinical subjects approved pursuant to paragraph (a)* of subsection 1.

3. At least 12 of the hours of continuing education required for dental hygienists by NAC 631.173 must be in ~~[(the approved subjects listed in paragraphs (a) to (d), inclusive,)]~~ *clinical subjects approved pursuant to paragraph (a)* of subsection 1.

4. The Board will credit, as a maximum in any year, the following number of hours of instruction for the following types of courses or activities:

(a) For approved study by a group, 3 hours.

(b) For attendance at a meeting or convention of a dental or dental hygiene society, 1 hour for each meeting, but not more than 3 hours, exclusive of hours of continuing education offered in conjunction with the meeting.

(c) For courses completed in the home through correspondence or video cassettes, 6 hours.

(d) For all other courses conducted by an approved instructor, the number of hours completed by the dentist or dental hygienist.

(e) For approved dental or dental hygiene services provided in approved nonprofit settings, 6 hours, except that not more than 3 hours will be allowed for any day of volunteer services provided.

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF PROPOSED REGULATION
LCB File No. R149-06**

The Board of Dental Examiners of Nevada adopted regulations assigned LCB File No. R149-06 which pertain to chapter 631 of the Nevada Administrative Code on August 25, 2006.

Notice date: 4/18/2006; 7/24/2006
Hearing date: 5/18/2006; 8/25/2006

Date of adoption by agency: 8/25/2006
Filing date: 9/18/2006

INFORMATIONAL STATEMENT

1. A description of how public comment was solicited, a summary of public response, and an explanation how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

A public workshop was held on March 23, 2006 after a 15 day notice was posted in compliance with the Nevada administrative rulemaking requirements. A public hearing and adoption was held on May 18, 2006 and August 25, 2006 after a thirty day notice to the main library in all counties in Nevada along with the Las Vegas and Carson City offices of the Attorney General, State Library and Archives, Notice List maintained by the board; and the Clark County Health District. Public comment was sought; however no written comment was forthcoming at the workshop, nor the hearing. There was comment provided at the workshop by board members. Posting for adoption was completed July 24, 2006 and final adoption was completed August 25, 2006. A copy of the written minutes of the meeting may be obtained by contacting the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners at (702) 486-7044 or by writing to the Board at 6010 S. Rainbow Blvd, A-1, Las Vegas, NV 89118.

2. The number of persons who:
 - (a) Attended the hearing: approx. 20
 - (b) Testified at the hearing: approx. 1 (Board member)
 - (c) Submitted to the agency written comments: NONE

3. A description of how comment was solicited from affected businesses, a summary of their response, and an explanation how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

Public notices of the workshop and hearing were posted at a site in each county along with the Las Vegas and Carson City offices of the Attorney General, State Library and Archives, the Clark County Health District, and mailings of said notices to interested parties including affected practitioner associations within Nevada. Representation from one affected practitioner association was present at the meeting and offered no comment. A copy of the written minutes of the workshop and meeting may be obtained by contacting the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners at (702) 486-7044 or by writing to the Board at 6010 S. Rainbow Blvd, A-1, Las Vegas, NV 89118.

4. If the regulation was adopted without changing any part of the proposed regulation, a summary of the reasons for adopting the regulations without change.

The permanent regulations were adopted at the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners hearing on August 25, 2006. Public comment at the workshop and hearing on March 23, 2006 and May 18, 2006, and August 25, 2006 was solicited but not forthcoming. The changes proposed are simplification of continuing education course requirements.

5. The estimated economic effect of the adopted regulations on the businesses that it is to regulate and on the public. These must be stated separately, and each case must include: (a) both adverse and beneficial effects; and (b) both immediate and long-term effects.

(a) Both adverse and beneficial effects.

There are no foreseen adverse effects. The beneficial effects are to hopefully simply continuing education course requirement verbiage for licensees.

(b) Both immediate and long-term effects.

Immediate and long term effects are to clarify continuing education requirements compliance.

6. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the adopted regulation.

There is no additional cost to the board.

7. A description of any regulations of other state or government agencies that the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates, and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the name of the regulating agency.

There are no other state or government agency regulations that the proposed amendments duplicate.

8. If the regulation includes provisions that are more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions.

There are no federal regulations providing these provisions.

9. If the regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.

These regulations do not provide or involve a new fee.