

**SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF DENTISTRY
TELECONFERENCE BOARD MINUTES**

October 3, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Donald Marler, DMD, President
Murtuza Ansari, DMD, Vice President
Charles Bumgardner, DMD
Elizabeth Marchi, RHD
Harold Eddy, DDS
Thomas McDonald, MD, DDS
Britt Reagin, DMD

SCLLR STAFF PRESENT:

Bob Horner, Esq., Office of Advice Counsel
Meredith Buttler, Administrator
Donnell Jennings, Esq., Office of Investigations and Enforcement
Jennifer Stillwell, Office of Investigations and Enforcement
Pete Siepert, Office of Investigations and Enforcement

PRESENT:

Charles Mercer, DDS
Megan Hicks, Court Reporter
Phil Latham, SCDA

CALL TO ORDER: Dr. Marler, President called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: To approve the agenda.

McDonald/Bumgardner/Approved.

INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS AND OTHERS

Board members present introduced themselves along with the others.

SEDATION SITE FACILITY INSPECTION CHECKLIST

Mr. Horner reported to the Board that the Inspections team and the Board office had received a significant amount of inquiries and questioning on a drug item listed on the current sedation site facility checklist form. A requirement on the checklist for deep sedation/general anesthesia inspections is the drug dantrolene as a response mechanism for malignant hyperthermia. This was included on previous versions of the sedation checklist, however, there was a condition of "if using volatile inhalation gases" that was not included on the current checklist.

Dr. McDonald provided the Board with an overview of the dantrolene uses including the drawbacks of the medication and reported that very few states require it in relation to sedation permitting. Dr. McDonald reviewed the factors that might cause malignant hyperthermia in patients other than as a result of volatile inhalation gas administration as well as alternate medications on the market that could be safely utilized should adverse reactions occur to patients under sedation.

Motion: To amend the sedation facility checklist item to stipulate the requirement of dantrolene only if utilizing volatile inhalation gases.
McDonald/Ansari/Approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dr. Mercer voiced support for Dr. McDonald's presentation, indicating that if dentists do not use volatile inhalation gases, they are often not trained on preparation and administration of dantrolene. As the likelihood of an adverse reaction resulting in malignant hyperthermia is extremely rare, he supported the Dr. McDonald's conclusions on the issue to be prudent and reasonable for the protection of the public.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:31p.m.