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Dear Permit Holder:

This letter is to advise you of recent changes involving anesthesia permit holders. Enclosed is an updated rule chapter for your information. The following are some of the rule changes that are now in effect:

Rule 64B5-14.0032 Itinerate/Mobile Anesthesia – Physician Anesthesiologist

All anesthesia permit holders may use the services of a physician anesthesiologist if the following conditions are met:

- The treatment takes place in the permit holder's office which has been inspected by Board anesthesia inspectors and the dental office meets the supply, equipment and facility requirements as required in Rule 64B5-14.008, F.A.C., Requirements for General Anesthesia or Deep Sedation.
- A dentist may comply with the electrocardiograph and end tidal carbon dioxide monitor equipment standards set by Rule 64B5-14.008, F.A.C., Requirements for General Anesthesia or Deep Sedation by utilizing mobile or non-fixed equipment if the dentist meets the following conditions:
 - During the required board inspection, the equipment is available for inspection, and the dentist supplies a report of the equipment inspection, which a licensed health care risk manager may perform. A licensed health care risk manager inspection is valid for a period of twelve months; and
 - The dentist shall make the inspected equipment available during all required inspections and the equipment must be immediately available for an adverse incident inspection.
 - Records: the treating dentist shall maintain a complete copy of the anesthesia records in the patient's dental chart. The dentist shall make certain that name and license numbers identify the treating dentist, the physician anesthesiologist, and all personnel utilized during the procedure.

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Rule 64B5-14.0034 Itinerate/Mobile Anesthesia – General Anesthesia Permit Holders

All anesthesia permit holders may use the services of a general anesthesia permit holder in the general anesthesia permit holder's office or the conscious sedation or pediatric conscious sedation permit holder's office if the following are met:

General Anesthesia Permit Holders Office:

A general anesthesia permit holder may perform sedation services for a dental patient of another general anesthesia permit holder or conscious or pediatric conscious sedation permit holder in his or her office or in another general anesthesia permit holder's office. In this setting, the following shall apply:

- The dental treatment may only be performed by a treating dentist who holds a valid anesthesia permit of any level;
- The treating dentist and the anesthesia provider are both responsible for the adverse incident reporting under Rule 64B5-14.006, F.A.C., Reporting Adverse Occurrences.

Conscious and Pediatric Conscious Sedation Permit Holder's Office:

A general anesthesia permit holder may perform sedation services for a dental patient of another dentist who holds a conscious sedation permit or a pediatric conscious sedation permit at the office of the treating dentist. In this setting, the following shall apply:

- The dental treatment may only be performed by the conscious sedation or pediatric conscious sedation permit holder;
- An additional board-inspection establishes that the office complies with the facility, equipment and supply requirements of Rule 64B5-14.008, F.A.C., Requirements for General Anesthesia or Deep Sedation;
- The treating dentist and the anesthesia provider are both responsible for the adverse incident reporting requirements under Rule 64B5-14.006, F.A.C., Reporting Adverse Occurrences.

Equipment:

When the general anesthesia permit holder performs the anesthesia services in a dental office of a conscious or pediatric conscious sedation permit holder, the electrocardiograph and end tidal carbon dioxide monitor equipment requirements may be met as follows:

- The general anesthesia permit holder provides the equipment which has already been inspected during the general anesthesia permit holder's required inspection;
- The equipment is available for inspection during the office's mandated inspection; and
- The equipment is immediately available for an adverse incident report inspection.

Staff or Personnel:

An anesthesia provider and the treating dentist are both responsible for ensuring that a minimum number of three (3) personnel are present during the procedure. The personnel must meet the minimum credentialing requirements of Rule 64B5-14.003, F.A.C., Training, Education, Certification, and Requirements for Issuance of Permits.

Records:

The treating dentist shall maintain a complete copy of the anesthesia records in the patient's dental chart. The dentist performing the anesthesia must maintain the original anesthesia records. The treating dentist must identify by name and license number all personnel utilized during the procedure.

64B5-14.0036 Treatment of Sedated Patients by Dentists Without an Anesthesia Permit.

A Florida licensed dentist without an anesthesia permit may perform dental treatment on a patient who has been sedated by an anesthesia permit holder in the office of the permit holder as follows:

- The permitted dentist shall perform the sedation in his or her out-patient dental office where the permitted dentist is registered to perform the anesthesia services;
- The permitted dentist shall remain with the patient from the onset of the performance of the anesthesia until discharge of the patient;
- The permitted dentist shall have no other patient induced with anesthesia or begin the performance of any other anesthesia services until the patient is discharged;
- The treating dentist shall have taken a minimum of four hours of continuing education in airway management prior to treating any sedated patient. After the initial airway management course, the treating dentist shall continue to repeat a minimum of four hours in airway management every four years. The continuing education courses taken shall be credited toward the mandatory thirty hours of continuing education required for licensure renewal. The airway management course may have been offered while a student in a dental program in an accredited school of dentistry. The Board will be addressing the availability of new airway management courses at the next meeting in May.

Please contact the board office at (850) 245-4474 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Rule Chapter 64B5-14, F.A.C., Anesthesia