



**Licensing, Certification and Permits Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, May 5, 2010**  
**South San Francisco, CA**

**Members Present:**

Bruce Whitcher, DDS, Chair  
Luis Dominicis, DDS, Vice Chair  
Stephen Casagrande, DDS  
Judith Forsythe, RDA  
Rebecca Downing, Public Member

**Members Absent:**

None

**Staff Present:**

Richard DeCuir, Executive Officer  
Nancy Butler, Supervising Investigator 1, Northern California  
Teri Lane, Acting Enforcement Chief  
Dawn Dill, Dental Assisting Unit Manager  
Donna Kantner, Licensing & Examination Unit Manager  
Jocelyn Campos, Enforcement Coordinator  
Karen Fischer, Licensing Analyst  
Sarah Wallace, Legislation and Regulations Analyst  
Kristy Schieldge, DCA Senior Staff Counsel  
Greg Salute, Deputy Attorney General

Dr. Whitcher, Chair, called the committee meeting to order at 4:20 p.m. Roll was called and a quorum was established.

**LCP 1 – Approval of the February 25, 2010 Licensing, Certification, and Permits Committee Meeting Minutes**

M/S/C (Dominicis/Forsythe) to approve the February 25, 2010 Licensing, Certification, and Permits Committee meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**LCP 2 – Dental and Dental Assistant Licensure & Permit Statistics**

Committee members reviewed and discussed the licensure and permit statistics. Dr. Whitcher, Chair pointed out that the delinquency rate for RDAs is still high. He said he is not clear why this is happening and suggested that the Committee watch this trend. Dr. Whitcher went on to summarize Dental licenses issued via pathway: WREB is the dominant pathway to licensure. There were no California licensing examinations held this year. Approximately 300 licensees per year obtain a license by credential (LBC). Dr. Dominicis, Board member asked if there was a way to track whether or not these licensees are actually practicing in the state. Richard DeCuir, Executive Officer said that they reviewed the statistics many years ago and found that many entering by LBC did not come to California to practice. Dr. Whitcher asked that the licensing statistics be given to the Committee from year to year so that trends could be identified. He believes that trends are more revealing than looking at statistics that give a snapshot in time. There was no public comment on this informational item.

### **LCP 3 – General Anesthesia/Conscious Sedation Evaluation Statistics**

The Committee reviewed and discussed the statistics provided. Dr. Whitcher calculated that 250 evaluations needed to be conducted per year in order to get caught up in the program. He feels that the program is viable and on track. Jessica Olney, GA/CS Coordinator was recognized and thanked for her hard work. There was no public comment on this informational item.

### **LCP 4 – Update Regarding 2010 Evaluator Calibration Courses**

Dr. Whitcher reported that two Evaluator Calibration Courses were given in March. Fifty-one (51) people attended the course in Oakland on March 24; and eighty-six (86) attended the course in Garden Grove on March 31. Feedback from the participants was favorable. Dr. Whitcher will try to integrate into the program the suggestion that a video of calibration be shown so that mock examinations could be graded. Dates for two courses for next year will be set soon.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no additional public comment.

### **Adjournment**

The committee meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.