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It's That Time Of Year Again! Online Renewal for Even-Number Licensees

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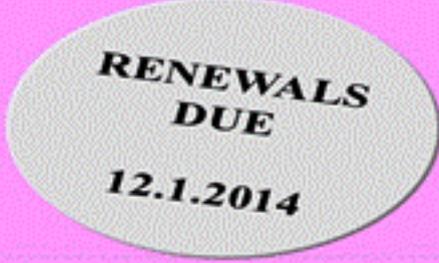


NOTICE OF LICENSE RENEWAL

www.dental.ks.gov - your link to online renewal

You will **NOT** receive a paper renewal form. This is your **ONLY NOTICE** of renewal.

RENEW ONLINE TODAY!



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It is license renewal time for dentists and dental hygienists who have even-numbered licenses. Under Kansas law, even-numbered licensees must renew their licenses in even-numbered years. Additionally, the even-numbered licensees must renew by December 1, 2014. The license renewal will be valid for 2 years.

Like last year, the license renewal process will be different. The Board will no longer mail pre-populated renewal forms and return envelopes to the even-numbered licensees. Instead, each even-numbered licensee will receive a pink postcard renewal notification that appears above.

When you receive the postcard, you may either go to the Board's website to renew online or use a blank form to print and mail with the correct renewal fee. Please make sure that you have a current mailing address on file. Again, no other renewal forms will be mailed.

If you are retired and wish to maintain a retired status, you will still have to fill out a form. Renewing in retired status online will cost \$3. For those renewing in retired status on the paper form, there will be no cost. The online renewal portal and the printable paper form will be found on the Board's website. (www.dental.ks.gov)

Continuing Education for License Renewals



Under K.A.R. 71-4-1(b), each dentist licensee must have at least 60 hours of continuing dental education courses. Further, each dentist licensee who holds a specialist certificate must ensure that at least 40 of the 60 hours of continuing dental education are in courses in the specialty for which the licensee holds a specialist certificate. Each required course hour shall have been completed in the 24-month period immediately preceding the date of

expiration of the license.

Under K.A.R. 71-4-1(c), each dental hygienist licensee must have at least 30 hours of continuing dental education courses. Each required course hour shall have been completed in the 24-month period immediately preceding the date of expiration of the license.

Dentists and dental hygienists who have questions about whether courses qualify for credit are encouraged to review K.A.R. 71-4-2, which outlines the general standards that are used by the Board in determining which courses will qualify for continuing dental education credits.

Random audits of continuing dental education courses begin in February of each year. Unless chosen for a random audit, licensees are not required to submit copies of any continuing dental education certificates or a list of the continuing education courses

taken. If chosen for an audit, licensees will be required to submit certificates.

All ADA CERP and AGD PACE programs are accepted for continuing education.

ADA C·E·R·P®
Continuing Education Recognition Program



PACE
Program Approval for
Continuing Education



Sedation Permit Renewals By Paper Only

All dentists with an even-numbered license who hold a sedation permit will be required to renew the sedation permit at the same time as the dental license.

Sedation permits will only be available for renewal on a paper form. The Board office will send paper renewal forms for sedation permits. **The sedation permit renewal forms will arrive on a yellow-colored paper in the mail at the most current mailing address on file.**

Level I permit holders must have six hours of continuing education limited to sedation, which are in addition to the continuing education hours required to renew the dentist's license.

Level II permit holders must have eight hours of continuing education limited to sedation and shall include the complications associated with parenteral conscious sedation and their management. These hours are in addition to the continuing education hours required to renew the dentist's license.

Level III permit holders must have eight hours of continuing education limited to sedation and shall include the complications associated with airways and intravenous sedation and their management. These hours are in addition to the continuing education hours required to renew the dentist's license.

Fee Reduction for Licensees

The Board is happy to announce starting this renewal period that license fees will be reduced by \$25. Dentists will now pay \$275 to renew their license and dental hygienists will pay \$125 to renew their license. Online renewal processing fees will apply.



Board Welcomes Newest Staff Member

The Board would like to welcome its new staff member, Charity Carlat. Ms. Carlat joined the Board in August of 2014. Ms. Carlat's administrative duties will include investigations and finances. Ms. Carlat has spent the past five years in private law practice, as a paralegal, doing family, criminal, bankruptcy and social security law. Ms. Carlat is excited to be a part of the Board and is looking forward to her time here.

Facial Injections To Reduce Signs Of Aging Is Not The Practice of Dentistry

Recently, the Board office has received some inquiries about the possibility of providing Botox or dermal fillers to complement service offerings beyond restorative or preventative dental procedures. As a result, the Board office is providing its newsletter article from February 2011 below.

All dental boards are facing the issue of whether or not a general dentist can use botulinum toxin type A, commonly called Botox, or dermal fillers, as a cosmetic remedy for facial aging. There are many continuing education programs that promote this procedure to physicians, nurses, and dentists. Some of the courses have ADA/CERP approval. The Kansas Dental Board discussed this issue at its meeting of October 31, 2009, and adopted the following policy:

The use of these products is to be "limited to the practice of dentistry and the practice of dentistry is defined in the Dental Practices Act." When reading the definitions of dentistry, there is no mention of any facial enhancements and in fact the closest portion of the definition of dentistry would be:

KSA 65-1422. Persons deemed to be practicing dentistry.

A person shall be deemed to be practicing dentistry:

(a) Who performs, or attempts or professes to perform, any dental operation or oral surgery or dental service of any kind, gratuitously or for a salary, fee, money or other remuneration paid, or to be paid directly or indirectly, to such person or to any other person or agency who is a proprietor of a place where dental operations, oral surgery or dental services are performed; or . . .

(f) who diagnoses, or professes to diagnose, prescribe for, or professes to prescribe for, treats, or professes to treat, disease, pain, deformity, deficiency, injury or physical condition of the human teeth or jaws, or adjacent structure

While the continuing education and pharmaceutical businesses find it profitable to market these drugs and procedures for facial procedures, if they are not a part of a dental process, the dentist is practicing beyond the scope of the dental license.

At this point there are no statutes or regulations pertaining directly to this point. However, any dentist who is doing injections that are not for a dental purpose will be considered as not practicing within the standard of care of dentistry and can be subject to discipline by the board.

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**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTION : Can a dentist administer a flu vaccine to patients?
ANSWER: No. A dentist cannot administer a flu vaccine to patients.**

BCLS Card Reminder

A quick reminder that all renewing licensees will be required to have a current BCLS card prior to renewing their license. The Board will not accept any online course that do not

have a "hands on" portion for the certificate. Up to 4 hours of CPR training will count towards your continuing education requirements.



Future Board Meetings

Friday, November 7, 2014
Friday, January 16, 2015
Friday, April 10, 2015
Friday, August 7, 2015
Friday, November 13, 2015
All meetings held in Topeka.

