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Initial Licensure	CDCA-WREB-CITA
Examination	In order to apply for a general dentistry license in the State of Nevada, you must
Requirements	have successfully passed a clinical examination. The Board accepts two clinical
	examinations ADEX (after October 1, 2007) or WREB.
	Source: Nevada Board of Dental Examiners - Apply for a License)
General	Nevada Revised Statutes 631.220 Application for license:
Licensure	NRS 631.220 Application for license: Filing; contents; approval or rejection
Requirements	without Board review; regulations.
•	1. Every applicant for a license to practice dental hygiene, dental therapy or
	dentistry, or any of its special branches, must:
	(a) File an application with the Board.
	(b) Accompany the application with a recent photograph of the applicant
	together with the required fee and such other documentation as the Board may
	require by regulation.
	(c) Submit with the application a complete set of fingerprints and written
	permission authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints to the Central
	Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal
	Bureau of Investigation for its report.
	(d) If the applicant is required to take an examination pursuant to NRS
	631.240, 631.300 or 631.3121, submit with the application proof satisfactory that
	the applicant passed the examination.
	An application must include all information required to complete the
	application.
	3. The Secretary-Treasurer may, in accordance with regulations adopted by
	the Board and if the Secretary-Treasurer determines that an application is:
	(a) Sufficient, advise the Executive Director of the sufficiency of the
	application. Upon the advice of the Secretary-Treasurer, the Executive Director may issue a license to the applicant without further review by the Board.
	(b) Insufficient, reject the application by sending written notice of the rejection
	to the applicant.
	NRS 631.230 Eligibility of applicant for license to practice dentistry.
	Any person is eligible to apply for a license to practice dentistry in the
	State of Nevada who:
	(a) Is over the age of 21 years;
	(b) Is a graduate of an accredited dental school or college; and
	(c) Is of good moral character.
	2. To determine whether a person has good moral character, the Board may
	consider whether his or her license to practice dentistry in another state has been
	suspended or revoked or whether the person is currently involved in any
	disciplinary action concerning his or her license in that state.
	[Part 5:152:1951]—(NRS A <u>1967, 866; 1971, 534; 1977, 1564; 1983,</u>
	1113; 1985, 379; 2001, 1609; 2019, 4273)
	NRS 631.240 Examination for license to practice dentistry; issuance of
	certificate of registration.
	1. Any person desiring to obtain a license to practice dentistry in this State,
	after having complied with the regulations of the Board to determine eligibility:
	(a) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 622.090, must present to the Board
	a certificate granted by the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations
	which contains a notation that the applicant has passed the National Board Dental
	Examination with an average score of at least 75; and
	(b) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, must:
	(1) Successfully pass a clinical examination approved by the Board and
	the American Roard of Dental Examiners: or

The ADA attempts to keep this information current based on information from state dental boards, clinical testing agencies and state dental associations. Individuals seeking dental licensure should consult with the state board of dentistry and their professional advisors for the complete and most recent dental licensure information, application requirements, forms and fees.

the American Board of Dental Examiners; or

- (2) Present to the Board a certificate granted by the Western Regional Examining Board which contains a notation that the applicant has passed a clinical examination administered by the Western Regional Examining Board.
- 2. The Board shall examine each applicant in writing on the contents and interpretation of this chapter and the regulations of the Board.
- 3. All persons who have satisfied the requirements for licensure as a dentist must be registered as licensed dentists on the board register, as provided in this chapter, and are entitled to receive a certificate of registration, signed by all members of the Board.

#### NRS 631.260 Issuance of licenses by Board.

Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 of <u>NRS 631.220</u>, as soon as possible after the examination has been given, the Board, under rules and regulations adopted by it, shall determine the qualifications of the applicant and shall issue to each person found by the Board to have the qualifications therefor a license which will entitle the person to practice dental hygiene, dental therapy or dentistry, or any special branch of dentistry, as in such license defined, subject to the provisions of this chapter.

NRS 631.280 Limitation on reexamination of applicant for license to practice dentistry who fails examination twice. Any applicant for a license to practice dentistry in this State who twice fails to pass the examination of the Board is not eligible for reexamination within 12 months after the second examination was taken.

NAC 631.030 Provision of certain information and documentation by applicant for licensure; provision of certain additional information for licensure by endorsement; requirements for use of laser radiation in practice.

- 1. An applicant for licensure must provide the following information and documentation in his or her application:
  - (a) The date and place of his or her birth;
- (b) Certification of graduation from an accredited dental school or college or from an accredited school or college of dental hygiene, whichever is applicable;
- (c) Whether he or she has applied for similar licensure in another state or a territory of the United States or the District of Columbia and, if so, the name of the state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, the date and the result of his or her application;
- (d) If he or she has practiced dentistry or dental hygiene in another state or a territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, certification from the licensing authority of each state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia in which he or she has practiced or is practicing that he or she is in good standing and that there are not any disciplinary proceedings affecting his or her standing pending against him or her in the other state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia;
- (e) Whether he or she has terminated or attempted to terminate a license from another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia and, if so, the reasons for doing so:
- (f) If he or she is not a natural born citizen of the United States, a copy of his or her certificate of naturalization or other document attesting that he or she is legally eligible to reside and work in the United States;
- (g) All scores obtained on the examination in which he or she was granted a certificate by the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations and the date it was issued;
- (h) Whether he or she has ever been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude or has entered a plea of nolo contendere to a charge of such a crime

- and, if so, the date and place of the conviction or plea and the sentence, if any, which was imposed;
- (i) Whether he or she has had any misdemeanor or felony convictions and, if so, any documents relevant to any misdemeanor or felony convictions;
- (j) Whether he or she has been held civilly or criminally liable in this State, another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia for misconduct relating to his or her occupation or profession;
- (k) Whether he or she has a history of substance abuse and, if so, any documents relevant to the substance abuse;
- (I) Whether he or she has been refused permission to take an examination for licensure by this State, any other state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, or any regional testing agency recognized by the Board and, if so, any documents relevant to the refusal;
- (m) Whether he or she has been denied licensure by this State, any other state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia and, if so, any documents relevant to the denial:
- (n) Whether he or she has had his or her license to practice dentistry or dental hygiene suspended, revoked or placed on probation, or has otherwise been disciplined concerning his or her license to practice dentistry or dental hygiene, including, without limitation, receiving a public reprimand, in this State, another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia and, if so, any documents relevant to the suspension, revocation, probation or other discipline;
- (o) A copy of current certification in administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation;
- (p) Whether he or she is currently involved in any disciplinary action concerning his or her license to practice dentistry or dental hygiene in this State, another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia and, if so, any documents relevant to the reprimand or disciplinary action;
- (q) Two sets of certified fingerprint cards and an authorization form allowing the Board to submit the fingerprint forms to law enforcement agencies for verification of background information;
- (r) Whether he or she has any claims against him or her or has committed any actions that would constitute unprofessional conduct pursuant to NRS 631.3475 or NAC 631.230;
  - (s) An application form that he or she has completed and signed which:
    - (1) Is furnished by the Board; and
- (2) Includes, without limitation, a properly executed request to release information;
  - (t) If applicable, the statement and proof required by subsection 3;
  - (u) Evidence that he or she is eligible to apply for a license to practice:
    - (1) Dentistry pursuant to NRS 631.230; or
    - (2) Dental hygiene pursuant to NRS 631.290;
  - (v) The statement required by NRS 425.520; and
  - (w) Any other information requested by the Board.
- 2. An applicant for licensure by endorsement pursuant to <u>NRS 622.530</u> must provide the following information and documentation with his or her application:
  - (a) The information and documentation listed in subsection 1;
- (b) A certificate granted by a nationally recognized, nationally accredited or nationally certified examination or other examination approved by the Board which proves that the applicant has achieved a passing score on such an examination; and
- (c) Proof that the applicant has actively practiced dentistry or dental hygiene for the 5 years immediately preceding the date of submission of the application.

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- 3. An applicant for licensure who wishes to use laser radiation in his or her practice of dentistry or dental hygiene must provide to the Board:
- (a) A statement certifying that each laser that will be used by the licensee in the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene has been cleared by the Food and Drug Administration for use in dentistry; and
- (b) Proof that he or she has successfully completed a course in laser proficiency that:
  - (1) Is at least 6 hours in length; and
- (2) Is based on the *Curriculum Guidelines and Standards for Dental Laser Education*, adopted by reference pursuant to NAC 631.035.

### NAC 631.090 Examination for license to practice dentistry.

Except as otherwise provided in <u>NRS 622.090</u>, in fulfillment of the statutory requirements of paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of <u>NRS 631.240</u>, an applicant taking the clinical examination approved by the Board and the American Board of Dental Examiners or the clinical examination administered by the Western Regional Examining Board must:

- 1. Pass the Dental Simulated Clinical Examination or a comparable examination administered by the Western Regional Examining Board, as applicable;
- 2. Demonstrate proficiency in endodontics as the organization administering the clinical examination requires;
- 3. Demonstrate proficiency in fixed prosthodontics as the organization administering the clinical examination requires;
- 4. Demonstrate proficiency in restorative dentistry as the organization administering the clinical examination requires;
- 5. Demonstrate proficiency in periodontics as the organization administering the clinical examination requires; and
  - 6. Perform such other procedures as the Board requires.

[Bd. of Dental Exam'rs, § XII, eff. 7-21-82] — (NAC A 12-15-87; R169-01, 4-5-2002; R159-08, 4-23-2009; R143-17, 5-16-2018)

## NAC 631.140 Reexaminations; completion of failed clinical demonstration.

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 622.090, an applicant who does not pass all sections of the clinical examination approved by the Board and the American Board of Dental Examiners or the clinical examination administered by the Western Regional Examining Board may apply for a reexamination. The application must be made on a form furnished by the Board.
- 2. An applicant who does not pass the examination may not take another examination without completing such additional professional training as is required by the Board.
- 3. An applicant who does not pass the examination solely because he or she fails one of the demonstrations required pursuant to NAC 631.090 may, at the next scheduled examination, complete the remaining demonstration. If the applicant does not successfully complete the remaining demonstration at the next scheduled examination or within the timeline approved by the American Board of Dental Examiners or by the Western Regional Examining Board for a person who takes the examination as part of an integrated curriculum, he or she must retake the entire examination.
- 4. For the purposes of NRS 631.280, an applicant who attempts to complete successfully a demonstration pursuant to subsection 3 shall not be deemed to have failed the examination twice if he or she fails to complete that demonstration successfully.

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### License by Credential/ Endorsement Requirements

NAC 631.030 Provision of certain information and documentation by applicant for licensure; provision of certain additional information for licensure by endorsement; requirements for use of laser radiation in practice.

- 1. An applicant for licensure must provide the following information and documentation in his or her application:
  - (a) The date and place of his or her birth;
- (b) Certification of graduation from an accredited dental school or college or from an accredited school or college of dental hygiene, whichever is applicable;
- (c) Whether he or she has applied for similar licensure in another state or a territory of the United States or the District of Columbia and, if so, the name of the state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, the date and the result of his or her application:
- (d) If he or she has practiced dentistry or dental hygiene in another state or a territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, certification from the licensing authority of each state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia in which he or she has practiced or is practicing that he or she is in good standing and that there are not any disciplinary proceedings affecting his or her standing pending against him or her in the other state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia;
- (e) Whether he or she has terminated or attempted to terminate a license from another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia and, if so, the reasons for doing so;
- (f) If he or she is not a natural born citizen of the United States, a copy of his or her certificate of naturalization or other document attesting that he or she is legally eligible to reside and work in the United States;
- (g) All scores obtained on the examination in which he or she was granted a certificate by the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations and the date it was issued:
- (h) Whether he or she has ever been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude or has entered a plea of nolo contendere to a charge of such a crime and, if so, the date and place of the conviction or plea and the sentence, if any, which was imposed;
- (i) Whether he or she has had any misdemeanor or felony convictions and, if so, any documents relevant to any misdemeanor or felony convictions;
- (j) Whether he or she has been held civilly or criminally liable in this State, another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia for misconduct relating to his or her occupation or profession:
- (k) Whether he or she has a history of substance abuse and, if so, any documents relevant to the substance abuse;
- (I) Whether he or she has been refused permission to take an examination for licensure by this State, any other state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, or any regional testing agency recognized by the Board and, if so, any documents relevant to the refusal;
- (m) Whether he or she has been denied licensure by this State, any other state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia and, if so, any documents relevant to the denial;
- (n) Whether he or she has had his or her license to practice dentistry or dental hygiene suspended, revoked or placed on probation, or has otherwise been disciplined concerning his or her license to practice dentistry or dental hygiene, including, without limitation, receiving a public reprimand, in this State, another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia and, if so, any documents relevant to the suspension, revocation, probation or other discipline;

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(o) A copy of current certification in administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation:

- (p) Whether he or she is currently involved in any disciplinary action concerning his or her license to practice dentistry or dental hygiene in this State, another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia and, if so, any documents relevant to the reprimand or disciplinary action;
- (q) Two sets of certified fingerprint cards and an authorization form allowing the Board to submit the fingerprint forms to law enforcement agencies for verification of background information;
- (r) Whether he or she has any claims against him or her or has committed any actions that would constitute unprofessional conduct pursuant to NRS 631.3475 or NAC 631.230;
  - (s) An application form that he or she has completed and signed which:
    - (1) Is furnished by the Board; and
- (2) Includes, without limitation, a properly executed request to release information:
  - (t) If applicable, the statement and proof required by subsection 3;
  - (u) Evidence that he or she is eligible to apply for a license to practice:
    - (1) Dentistry pursuant to NRS 631.230; or
    - (2) Dental hygiene pursuant to NRS 631.290;
  - (v) The statement required by NRS 425.520; and
  - (w) Any other information requested by the Board.
- 2. **An applicant for licensure by endorsement** pursuant to <u>NRS 622.530</u> must provide the following information and documentation with his or her application:
  - (a) The information and documentation listed in subsection 1;
- (b) A certificate granted by a nationally recognized, nationally accredited or nationally certified examination or other examination approved by the Board which proves that the applicant has achieved a passing score on such an examination; and
- (c) Proof that the applicant has actively practiced dentistry or dental hygiene for the 5 years immediately preceding the date of submission of the application.
- 3. An applicant for licensure who wishes to use laser radiation in his or her practice of dentistry or dental hygiene must provide to the Board:
- (a) A statement certifying that each laser that will be used by the licensee in the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene has been cleared by the Food and Drug Administration for use in dentistry; and
- (b) Proof that he or she has successfully completed a course in laser proficiency that:
  - (1) Is at least 6 hours in length; and
- (2) Is based on the *Curriculum Guidelines and Standards for Dental Laser Education*, adopted by reference pursuant to NAC 631.035.

  Nevada Revised Statutes 631.255 Issuance of specialist's license to person without required clinical examination; revocation.
- 1. The Board may, without a clinical examination required by NRS 631.240, issue a specialist's license to a person who:
- (a) Presents a current certification as a diplomate from a certifying board approved by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association; or
- (b) Has completed the educational requirements specified for certification in a specialty area by a certifying board approved by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association and is recognized by the certifying board as being eligible for that certification. A person who is licensed as a specialist pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph:

- (1) Shall submit to the Board his or her certificate as a diplomate from the certifying board within 6 years after licensure as a specialist; and
- (2) Must maintain certification as a diplomate of the certifying board during the period in which the person is licensed as a specialist pursuant to this paragraph.
- 2. In addition to the requirements set forth in subsection 1, a person applying for a specialist's license:
- (a) Must hold an active license to practice dentistry pursuant to the laws of another state or territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia, or pursuant to the laws of this State, another state or territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia, if the person is applying pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1:
  - (b) Must be a specialist as identified by the Board;
- (c) Shall pay the application, examination and renewal fees in the same manner as a person licensed pursuant to NRS 631.240;
- (d) Must submit all information required to complete an application for a license; and
  - (e) Must satisfy the requirements of NRS 631.230.
- 3. The Board shall not issue a specialist's license to a person:
  - (a) Whose license to practice dentistry has been revoked or suspended;
  - (b) Who has been refused a license to practice dentistry; or
- (c) Who is involved in or has pending a disciplinary action concerning a license to practice dentistry, in this State, another state or territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia.
- 4. The Board shall examine each applicant in writing on the contents and interpretation of this chapter and the regulations of the Board.
- 5. A person to whom a specialist's license is issued pursuant to this section shall limit his or her practice to the specialty.
- 6. The Board may revoke a specialist's license at any time if the Board finds, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the holder of the license violated any provision of this chapter or the regulations of the Board.

## Specialty Practice

Nevada Revised Statutes 631.250 Issuance of specialist's license to dentist licensed in this State.

- 1. The Board may issue a specialist's license authorizing a dentist licensed in this State to announce, hold himself or herself out and practice as a specialist in a special area of dentistry for which there is a certifying board approved by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association.
- 2. No dentist licensed in this State may announce or hold himself or herself out to the public as a specialist or practice as a specialist unless the dentist has successfully completed the educational requirements currently specified for qualification in the special area by the certifying board.
- 3. A dentist licensed in this State who has successfully completed those educational requirements, has passed the general dentistry examination or has otherwise been approved for licensure by the Board, and has been issued a specialist's license under this section may commence specialty practice immediately in the special area without:
  - (a) Examination by the certifying board.
  - (b) Certification as a diplomate of the certifying board.
- 4. A dentist licensed in this State to whom a specialist's license is issued shall limit his or her practice to the specialty.

NRS 631.255 Issuance of specialist's license to person without required clinical examination; revocation.

- 1. The Board may, without a clinical examination required by NRS 631.240, issue a specialist's license to a person who:
- (a) Presents a current certification as a diplomate from a certifying board approved by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association; or
- (b) Has completed the educational requirements specified for certification in a specialty area by a certifying board approved by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association and is recognized by the certifying board as being eligible for that certification. A person who is licensed as a specialist pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph:
- (1) Shall submit to the Board his or her certificate as a diplomate from the certifying board within 6 years after licensure as a specialist; and
- (2) Must maintain certification as a diplomate of the certifying board during the period in which the person is licensed as a specialist pursuant to this paragraph.
- 2. In addition to the requirements set forth in subsection 1, a person applying for a specialist's license:
- (a) Must hold an active license to practice dentistry pursuant to the laws of another state or territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia, or pursuant to the laws of this State, another state or territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia, if the person is applying pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1:
  - (b) Must be a specialist as identified by the Board;
- (c) Shall pay the application, examination and renewal fees in the same manner as a person licensed pursuant to NRS 631.240;
- (d) Must submit all information required to complete an application for a license; and
  - (e) Must satisfy the requirements of NRS 631.230.
  - 3. The Board shall not issue a specialist's license to a person:
  - (a) Whose license to practice dentistry has been revoked or suspended;
  - (b) Who has been refused a license to practice dentistry; or
- (c) Who is involved in or has pending a disciplinary action concerning a license to practice dentistry, in this State, another state or territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia.
- 4. The Board shall examine each applicant in writing on the contents and interpretation of this chapter and the regulations of the Board.
- 5. A person to whom a specialist's license is issued pursuant to this section shall limit his or her practice to the specialty.
- 6. The Board may revoke a specialist's license at any time if the Board finds, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the holder of the license violated any provision of this chapter or the regulations of the Board.

Nevada Administrative Code 631.190 Specialties. The only specialties for which the Board will issue licenses are:

- 1. Oral and maxillofacial pathology;
- 2. Oral and maxillofacial surgery;
- 3. Orthodontia;
- 4. Periodontia:
- 5. Prosthodontia;
- 6. Pediatric dentistry;
- 7. Endodontia;
- 8. Public health; and
- 9. Oral and maxillofacial radiology.

NAC 631.270 False or misleading advertising.

- 1. Advertising is false or misleading if it:
- (a) Claims that a manifestly incurable disease can be permanently cured.
- (b) Includes any false claim of a dentist's skill, or the efficacy or value of his or her dental treatment.
- (c) Guarantees that any professional service, dental treatment or dental procedure will be painless.
- (d) Includes any statement which is known to be false, or through the exercise of reasonable care should be known to be false, deceptive, misleading or harmful, in order to induce any person to purchase, use or acquire any professional services or to enter into any obligation or transaction relating to those services.
- (e) Includes any extravagant claim, aggrandizement of abilities or self-laudatory statement calculated to attract patients, and which has a tendency to mislead the public or produce unrealistic expectations in particular cases.
- (f) Is false, deceptive or misleading in regard to the price or terms of credit for services performed or to be performed.
- (g) Promotes the services of a dentist or group of dentists using a fictitious name, unless the name of each dentist, as registered with the Board, is included in the advertisement.
- (h) States, suggests or implies that a dentist specializes in an area of specialization listed in NAC 631.190, unless the dentist is licensed for that area of specialty and the number of his or her license for that specialty is included in the advertisement.
- 2. Paragraph (h) of subsection 1 does not prohibit a dentist from limiting his or her practice to a single area of the practice of dentistry and so advertising that fact, if the advertisement:
  - (a) Uses the words "practice limited to" (area of limitation); and
- (b) States that the dentist is not licensed as a specialist in that area of practice unless he or she is so licensed.

## Continuing Education

Nevada Revised Statutes 631.330 Renewal of license: Requirements; issuance of renewal certificate; automatic suspension or revocation; reinstatement.

- 1. Licenses issued pursuant to NRS 631.271, 631.2715 and 631.275 must be renewed annually. All other licenses must be renewed biennially.
  - 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 631.271, 631.2715 and 631.275:
- (a) Each holder of a license to practice dentistry, dental hygiene or dental therapy must, upon:
  - (1) Payment of the required fee;
- (2) Submission of proof of completion of the required continuing education; and
- (3) Submission of all information required to complete the renewal, Ê be granted a renewal certificate which will authorize continuation of the practice for 2 years.
- (b) A licensee must comply with the provisions of this subsection and subsection 1 on or before June 30. Failure to comply with those provisions by June 30 every 2 years automatically suspends the license, and it may be reinstated only upon payment of the fee for reinstatement and compliance with the requirements of this subsection.
- 3. If a license suspended pursuant to this section is not reinstated within 12 months after suspension, it is automatically revoked.

NRS 631.332 Renewal of license: Duty of Board to make data request concerning demographic and practice information available to applicants for voluntary completion and electronic submission; confidentiality of information provided.

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- The Board shall:
- (a) Make the data request developed by the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to NRS 439A.116 available to applicants for the renewal of a license pursuant to this chapter through a link on the electronic application for the renewal of a license; and
- (b) Request each applicant to complete and electronically submit the data request to the Director.
- 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, except as required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any person or entity.
- 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license is not required to complete a data request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to disciplinary action, including, without limitation, refusal to renew the license, for failure to do so.

## NRS 631.342 Continuing education: Required courses and training; regulations.

- 1. The Board shall adopt regulations concerning continuing education in dentistry, dental hygiene, dental therapy and expanded function dental assistance. The regulations must include:
- (a) Except as provided in <u>NRS 631.3425</u>, the number of hours of credit required annually;
- (b) The criteria used to accredit each course, including, without limitation, specific criteria used to accredit a course in teledentistry; and
  - (c) The requirements for submission of proof of attendance at courses.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, as part of continuing education, each licensee must complete a course of instruction, within 2 years after initial licensure, relating to the medical consequences of an act of terrorism that involves the use of a weapon of mass destruction. The course must provide at least 4 hours of instruction that includes instruction in the following subjects:
  - (a) An overview of acts of terrorism and weapons of mass destruction;
  - (b) Personal protective equipment required for acts of terrorism;
- (c) Common symptoms and methods of treatment associated with exposure to, or injuries caused by, chemical, biological, radioactive and nuclear agents;
- (d) Syndromic surveillance and reporting procedures for acts of terrorism that involve biological agents; and
- (e) An overview of the information available on, and the use of, the Health Alert Network.
  - 3. Instead of the course described in subsection 2, a licensee may complete:
- (a) A course in Basic Disaster Life Support or a course in Core Disaster Life Support if the course is offered by a provider of continuing education accredited by the National Disaster Life Support Foundation; or
- (b) Any other course that the Board determines to be the equivalent of a course specified in paragraph (a).
- 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections 2 and 3, the Board may determine whether to include in a program of continuing education additional courses of instruction relating to the medical consequences of an act of terrorism that involves the use of a weapon of mass destruction.
- 5. Each licensee must complete, as part of continuing education, at least 2 hours of training in the screening, brief intervention and referral to treatment approach to substance use disorder within 2 years after initial licensure.
- 6. In addition to any other continuing education required pursuant to this section, a licensee who holds a special endorsement issued pursuant to <a href="NRS">NRS</a>
  631.285 must biennially complete:

- (a) At least 2 hours of continuing education concerning the life cycle of diseases, drugs and the administration of immunizations;
- (b) A course offered by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Department of Health and Human Services concerning the epidemiology and prevention of diseases that are preventable by immunization;
- (c) A course of training in the administration of immunizations offered by Immunize Nevada or its successor organization or, if that organization ceases to exist, another organization prescribed by regulation of the Board; or
  - (d) Another course of instruction relating to immunizations that is approved by:
    - (1) The Board;
- (2) The American Dental Association, or its successor organization, or the societies which are a part of it:
- (3) The American Dental Hygienists' Association, or its successor organization, or the societies which are a part of it;
  - (4) The Academy of General Dentistry, or its successor organization;
  - (5) Any nationally recognized association of dental or medical specialists;
- (6) Any university, college or community college located inside or outside this State; or
  - (7) Any hospital accredited by The Joint Commission.
  - 7. As used in this section:
  - (a) "Act of terrorism" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.4415.
  - (b) "Biological agent" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.442.
  - (c) "Chemical agent" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.4425.
  - (d) "Radioactive agent" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.4437.
- (e) "Weapon of mass destruction" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.4445.

# NRS 631.344 Training relating to persons with substance use and other addictive disorders and the prescribing of opioids; regulations.

The Board shall, by regulation, require each holder of a license to practice dentistry who is registered to dispense controlled substances pursuant to <a href="NRS">NRS</a>
<a href="MSS">453.231</a> to complete at least 2 hours of training relating specifically to persons with substance use and other addictive disorders and the prescribing of opioids during each period of licensure. Such training may include, without limitation, training in the screening, brief intervention and referral to treatment approach to substance use disorder. Any such holder of a license may use training required by the regulations adopted pursuant to this section to satisfy 2 hours of any continuing education requirement established by the Board.

Nevada Administrative Code 631.045 Renewal of license: Certified statement required. A licensed dentist who owns an office or facility where dental treatments are to be performed in this State must, on the application for renewal of his or her license, execute a certified statement that includes:

- 1. The location of each office or facility owned by the licensed dentist where dental treatments are to be performed;
- 2. The name and address of each employee, other than a licensed dentist or dental hygienist, who assists at the office or facility in procedures for infection control and the date the employee began to assist in procedures for infection control at the office or facility;
  - 3. A statement that each employee identified in subsection 2:
- (a) Has received adequate instruction concerning procedures for infection control; and
  - (b) Is qualified to:
- (1) Operate sterilization equipment and other equipment in compliance with the guidelines adopted by reference in NAC 631.178; and

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- (2) Perform all other applicable activities in compliance with the guidelines adopted by reference in NAC 631.178; and
- 4. If the licensed dentist is registered to dispense controlled substances with the State Board of Pharmacy pursuant to chapter 453 of NRS, an attestation that the licensed dentist has conducted annually a minimum of one self-query regarding the issuance of controlled substances through the Prescription Monitoring Program of the State Board of Pharmacy.

NAC 631.173 Continuing education: Required hours; types of courses and activities; approval of provider or instructor. (NRS 631.190, 631.342)

- 1. Each dentist licensed to practice in this State must annually complete at least 20 hours of instruction in approved courses of continuing education or biennially complete at least 40 hours of instruction in approved courses of continuing education, as applicable, based on the renewal period set forth in NRS 631.330 for the type of license held by the dentist. Hours of instruction may not be transferred or carried over from one licensing period to another.
- 2. Each dental hygienist licensed to practice in this State must annually complete at least 15 hours of instruction in approved courses of continuing education or biennially complete at least 30 hours of instruction in approved courses of continuing education, as applicable, based on the renewal period set forth in NRS 631.330 for the type of license held by the dental hygienist. Hours of instruction may not be transferred or carried over from one licensing period to another.
- 3. In addition to the hours of instruction prescribed in subsections 1 and 2, each dentist and dental hygienist must maintain current certification in administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation or another medically acceptable means of maintaining basic bodily functions which support life. Any course taken pursuant to this subsection must be taught by a certified instructor.
- 4. Any provider of or instructor for a course in continuing education relating to the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene which meets the requirements of this section must be approved by the Board, unless the course is for training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation or is approved by:
  - (a) The American Dental Association or the societies which are a part of it;
- (b) The American Dental Hygienists' Association or the societies which are a part of it;
  - (c) The Academy of General Dentistry;
  - (d) Any nationally recognized association of dental or medical specialists;
- (e) Any university, college or community college, whether located in or out of Nevada; or
  - (f) Any hospital accredited by The Joint Commission.
- 5. To be approved as a provider of a course in continuing education, the instructor of the course must complete a form provided by the Board and submit it to the Board for review by a committee appointed by the Board not later than 45 days before the beginning date of the course. Upon receipt of the form, the committee shall, within 10 days after receiving the form, approve or disapprove the application and inform the applicant of its decision.
- 6. Study by group may be approved for continuing education if the organizer of the group complies with the requirements of subsection 5 and furnishes the Board with a complete list of all members of the group, a synopsis of the subject to be studied, the time, place and duration of the meetings of the group, and the method by which attendance is recorded and authenticated.
- 7. Credit may be allowed for attendance at a meeting or a convention of a dental and dental hygiene society.

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- 8. Credit may be allowed for courses completed via home study, on-line study, self-study or journal study which are taught through correspondence, webinar, compact disc or digital video disc.
- 9. Credit may be allowed for dental and dental hygiene services provided on a voluntary basis to nonprofit agencies and organizations approved by the Board. NAC 631.175 Continuing education: Approved subjects; minimum requirements for clinical subjects; minimum requirements for dentists registered to dispense controlled substances; maximum credit for certain types of courses and activities. (NRS 631.190, 631.342, 631.344)
- Approved subjects for continuing education in dentistry and dental hygiene are:
  - (a) Clinical subjects, including, without limitation:
    - (1) Dental and medical health;
    - (2) Preventive services:
    - (3) Dental diagnosis and treatment planning; and
- (4) Dental clinical procedures, including corrective and restorative oral health procedures and basic dental sciences, dental research and new concepts in dentistry; and
  - (b) Nonclinical subjects, including, without limitation:
    - (1) Dental practice organization and management;
    - (2) Patient management skills;
    - (3) Methods of health care delivery; and
    - (4) Teaching methodology.
- 2. In completing the hours of continuing education required pursuant to NAC 631.173, a dentist must annually complete at least 15 hours in clinical subjects approved pursuant to subsection 1 or biennially complete at least 30 hours in clinical subjects approved pursuant to subsection 1, as applicable, based on the renewal period set forth in NRS 631.330 for the type of license held by the dentist.
- 3. In completing the hours of continuing education required pursuant to NAC 631.173, a dental hygienist must annually complete at least 12 hours in clinical subjects approved pursuant to subsection 1 or biennially complete at least 24 hours in clinical subjects approved pursuant to subsection 1, as applicable, based on the renewal period set forth in NRS 631.330 for the type of license held by the dental hygienist.
- 4. In completing the hours of continuing education required pursuant to NAC 631.173, a dentist or dental hygienist must annually complete at least 2 hours in the clinical subject of infection control in accordance with the provisions of the guidelines adopted by reference in NAC 631.178 or biennially complete at least 4 hours in the clinical subject of infection control in accordance with the provisions of the guidelines adopted by reference in NAC 631.178, as applicable, based on the renewal period set forth in NRS 631.330 for the type of license held by the dentist or dental hygienist.
- 5. In completing the hours of continuing education required pursuant to NAC 631.173, a dentist who is registered to dispense controlled substances pursuant to NRS 453.231 must complete at least 2 hours of training relating specifically to the misuse and abuse of controlled substances, the prescribing of opioids or addiction during each period of licensure.
- 6. The Board will credit, as a maximum in any one year of an annual or biennial licensing period, the following number of hours of instruction for the following types of courses or activities:
  - (a) For approved study by a group, 3 hours.

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- (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 via home study, on-line study, self-study or journal study through correspondence, webinar, compact disc or digital video disc, not more than 50 percent of the number of hours of continuing education required by subsection 1 or 2 of NAC 631.173, as applicable.
- (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.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Dental Exam'rs, eff. 9-16-85; A 12-15-87; 4-3-89; 9-6-96; R231-03, 5-25-2004; R063-05, 12-29-2005; R149-06, 9-18-2006; R159-08, 4-23-2009; R201-09, 8-13-2010; R020-14, 6-23-2014; R044-17, 5-16-2018)

### Bioterrorism CE Requirements

To comply with the requirements of Nevada Revised Statute <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/NRS/NRS-631.html#NRS631Sec342">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/NRS/NRS-631.html#NRS631Sec342</a>, the Board has approved two(2) online Bio-Terrorism courses for ALL STATE LICENSEES through Manhattan Consultants, Inc. and <a href="Biologix Solutions LLC">Biologix Solutions LLC</a> Infection Control CE requirements

To comply with the requirements of Nevada Revised Statute <a href="NAC">NAC</a>
<a href="Mailto:631.175">631.175</a>
Continuing education: Subsection (4), In completing the hours of continuing education required pursuant to <a href="NAC 631.173">NAC 631.173</a>, a dentist or dental hygienist must annually complete at least 2 hours in the clinical subject of infection control in accordance with the provisions of the guidelines adopted by reference in <a href="NAC 631.178">NAC 631.178</a> or biennially complete at least 4 hours in the clinical subject of infection control in accordance with the provisions of the guidelines adopted by reference in <a href="NAC 631.178">NAC 631.178</a>, as applicable, based on the renewal period set forth in <a href="NRS 631.330">NRS 631.330</a> for the type of license held by the dentist or dental hygienist. Below you will find approved providers in Infection Control courses: <a href="Biologix Solutions LLC">Biologix Solutions LLC</a>

NAC 631.177 Continuing education: Renewal or reinstatement of license; records; unprofessional conduct; audits. (NRS 631.190, 631.330, 631.335, 631.342)

- 1. When requesting a renewal or reinstatement of his or her license, each:
- (a) Dentist shall submit a signed, written statement in substantially the following language for each year since his or her last renewal:
- I, ......, hereby certify to the Board of Dental Examiners of Nevada that I have obtained at least 20 approved hours of instruction in continuing education during the period July 1, ....., through and including June 30, ..... I also certify to the Board of Dental Examiners of Nevada that I am currently certified in administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation or another medically acceptable means of maintaining basic bodily functions which support life.

Dated this ...... (day) of ...... (month) of ...... (year) Signature of Dentist

- (b) Dental hygienist shall submit a signed, written statement in substantially the following language for each year since his or her last renewal:
- I, ....... hereby certify to the Board of Dental Examiners of Nevada that I have obtained at least 15 approved hours of instruction in continuing education during the period July 1, ....., through and including June 30, ..... I also certify to the Board of Dental Examiners of Nevada that I am currently certified in

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administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation or another medically acceptable means of maintaining basic bodily functions which support life.

Dated this ....... (day) of ....... (month) of ....... (year) Signature of Dental Hygienist

- (c) Dentist or dental hygienist shall submit proof of his or her current certification in administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation or other medically acceptable means of maintaining basic bodily functions which support life.
- 2. Legible copies of all receipts, records of attendance, certificates and other evidence of attendance by a dentist or dental hygienist at an approved course in continuing education must be retained by the dentist or dental hygienist and made available to the Board for inspection or copying for 3 years after attendance at the course is submitted to meet the continuing education requirements of the Board. Proof of attendance and completion of the required credit hours of instruction must be complete enough to enable the Board to verify the attendance and completion of the course by the dentist or dental hygienist and must include at least the following information:
  - (a) The name and location of the course;
  - (b) The date of attendance;
  - (c) The name, address and telephone number of its instructor;
  - (d) A synopsis of its contents; and
- (e) For courses designed for home study, the number assigned to the provider by the Board at the time the course was approved and the name, address and telephone number of the producer or author of the course.
- 3. The third or subsequent failure of a dentist and dental hygienist to obtain or file proof of completion of the credit hours of instruction required by this section and NAC 631.173 and 631.175 is unprofessional conduct.
- 4. The Board will conduct random audits of dentists or dental hygienists to ensure compliance with the requirements of this section and NAC 631.173 and 631.175.

**NAC 631.2203** "Registered facility" defined. (NRS 631.190, 631.2715) As used in NAC 631.2203 to 631.2206, inclusive, "registered facility" means a permanent facility registered with the Board for the sole purpose of providing postgraduate continuing education in dentistry.

NAC 631.2204 Registration required before providing continuing education. (NRS 631.190, 631.2715) Pursuant to the provisions of NRS 631.2715, an institute or organization must, on the form prescribed by NAC 631.2205, register with the Board a permanent facility for the sole purpose of providing postgraduate continuing education in dentistry before providing that postgraduate continuing education.

## NAC 631.2205 Contents of form for registration to provide continuing education. (NRS 631.190, 631.2715)

- 1. A form for registration of a permanent facility for the sole purpose of providing postgraduate continuing education in dentistry will be prescribed and furnished by the Board.
  - 2. The form will include, without limitation:
- (a) The name of each individual or entity who owns or operates the institute or organization that is registering the facility:
  - (b) The type of facility;
  - (c) The location of the facility; and
- (d) A notarized statement, executed by an owner or other person authorized on behalf of the institute or organization, that:
- (1) The facility is a permanent facility for the sole purpose of providing postgraduate continuing education in dentistry;

- (2) All courses of continuing education involving live patients will be supervised by dentists licensed in this State;
- (3) Any person who is actively licensed as a dentist in another jurisdiction and who is treating a patient during a course of continuing education at the facility:
- (I) Has previously treated the patient in the jurisdiction in which the person performing the treatment is licensed;
- (II) Is treating the patient only during a course of continuing education at the facility; and
- (III) Is treating the patient under the supervision of a person licensed under NRS 631.2715; and
  - (4) The institute or organization is in full compliance with:
    - (I) All applicable regulations of the State Board of Health;
- (II) All applicable guidelines issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:
- (III) All applicable provisions of this chapter and chapter 631 of NRS, as they relate to the administration of moderate sedation, deep sedation and general anesthesia; and
- (IV) All applicable provisions of this chapter and chapter 631 of NRS, as they relate to the operation of radiographic equipment.

NAC 631.2206 Maintenance of records at registered facility. (NRS 631.190, 631.2715)

- 1. An institute or organization which provides courses of continuing education involving live patients and which is not accredited as defined in NRS 631.015 must:
  - (a) Maintain at its registered facility the following documentation:
- (1) Copies of credentials and applications for employment for each person that is licensed under NRS 631.2715 and employed by the institute or organization to supervise courses of continuing education involving live patients at the registered facility;
- (2) Documentation showing that a person who treated a patient during a course of continuing education at the registered facility was actively licensed as a dentist in another jurisdiction at the time of the treatment; and
- (3) Consent forms prepared by each live patient treated during a course of continuing education at the registered facility;
- (b) Maintain at its registered facility copies of health care records of live patients, which may be reviewed by the Board:
  - (1) Upon consent by the live patient to whom the records pertain; or
  - (2) As provided under NRS 629.061; and
- (c) Display at its registered facility the limited licenses issued to persons to supervise courses of continuing education involving live patients at the registered facility.
- 2. The documents maintained pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 must be made available to the Board during normal business hours.