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Board/Commission Composition:

The Board of Dentistry is composed of eight (8) members, five (5) of whom shall be dentists, two (2) of whom shall be dental hygienists, and one (1) of whom shall be a member of the public with an interest in the rights of consumers of dental services.

<https://legislature.idaho.gov/statutesrules/idstat/Title54/T54CH9/SECT54-907/>

Index of Statute, Rule, and Policy Requirements for Licensure and Renewal

		Statute I.C. §	Rule IDAPA	Application	Time from Complete Application to Final Action		Basis to Deny or Not Accept Application	Basis to Refuse Renewal	Fees	Cost per applicant or licensee
					Range	Average				
Dentist/Dental Specialist	Issuance Requirements	54-915 54-916 54-916B 54-918 54-921	IDAPA 19.01.01.010 IDAPA 19.01.01.011 IDAPA 19.01.01.012 IDAPA 19.01.01.013 IDAPA 19.01.01.014 IDAPA 19.01.01.016 IDAPA 19.01.01.018 IDAPA 19.01.01.025	https://isbd.idaho.gov/IBODPortal/BoardPage.aspx?Board=DEN	1-3 business days	2 business days	54-917 54-919 54-924		\$300 App fee License fee is pro- rated to next renewal date	FY 17 cost per applicant/ licensee was \$152. This figure was derived from the total expendi- tures divided by total number of licensees.
	Renewal Requirements	54-920	IDAPA 19.01.01.050	Renewal link not available until 9/1/18	1-3 business days	2 business days		54-920	Active \$375 Inactive \$160	

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Dental Hygienist	Issuance Requirements	54-915 54-916 54-916A 54-918 54-921	IDAPA 19.01.01.010 IDAPA 19.01.01.011 IDAPA 19.01.01.012 IDAPA 19.01.01.013 IDAPA 19.01.01.015 IDAPA 19.01.01.017 IDAPA 19.01.01.018 IDAPA 19.01.01.020 IDAPA 19.01.01.025 IDAPA 19.01.01.029	https://isbd.idaho.gov/IBODPortal/BoardPage.aspx?Board=DHYG	1-3 business days	2 business days	54-917 54-919 54-925		\$150 app fee License fee is pro-rated to next renewal date	FY 17 cost per applicant/licensee was \$152. This figure was derived from the total expenditures divided by total number of licensees.
	Renewal Requirements	54-920	IDAPA 19.01.01.051	Renewal link not available until 3/1/19	1-3 business days	2 business days		54-920	Active \$175 Inactive \$85	

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Applications and Renewals Denied - May 19, 2017-May 19, 2018

Refusal to Issue Initial License [Total Number: 1]

	Application/ Identification Number	Statutory Basis	Factual Summary (optional)
1	1036382	54-915; IDAPA 19.01.01.016	The applicant had not completed the required course of study.
2			
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Refusal to Renew License [Total Number: 0]

	License/ Identification Number	Statutory Basis	Factual Summary (optional)
1			
2			
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4			

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Disciplinary Actions (suggested past 5 years)

Case No	Date of Final Action	Action Taken	Statutory Basis	Factual Basis (optional)
18-07	4/16/18	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-923, 54-924, 37-2732, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Felony delivery of a controlled substance
18-20	5/18/18	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-923, 54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Self-administering CS
17-13	6/19/18	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Inadequate recordkeeping
17-03	10/6/16	Surrender in lieu of discipline	54-923, 54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Inadequate supervision of auxiliaries, auxiliaries practicing beyond authorized scope, inadequate recordkeeping
17-05	2/1/17	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Failure to disclose criminal history
16-02	6/21/16	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Failure to obtain informed consent, inadequate recordkeeping
15-06	5/22/15	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Self-administering CS
15-17	2/15/16	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Improper implant placement, treatment planning, failure to diagnose, inadequate recordkeeping
15-18	7/31/15	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Rx for personal use
15-27	3/10/16	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Lack of health history, informed consent, treatment planning
14-05	6/20/14	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Treatment planning, informed consent, inadequate recordkeeping
14-13	10/15/14	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040 and IDAPA 19.01.01.062	Providing patient sedation without a permit or notice to the Board as required by rule
14-28	10/31/16	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Standard of care, inadequate recordkeeping

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14-29	3/19/15	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.062	Advertising use of sedation personnel without proper notice to Board as required by rule
13-08	1/31/14	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Dispensed CS without registration
13-10	12/19/13	Stipulated Revocation	54-923, 54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Criminal plea of guilty to felony acquiring and obtaining a controlled substance by misrepresentation, fraud and deception
13-11	8/1/13	Stipulated probation and reprimand	54-923, 54-924, 56-227A, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Felony provider fraud conviction
13-22	2/19/14	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Inadequate CS inventory and dispensing records
13-23	10/15/13	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Personal use of CS
13-39	1/7/14	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Standard of care
13-45	1/14/14	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Personal use of CS
13-47	1/7/15	Reprimand/Consent Agreement	54-924, IDAPA 19.01.01.040	Standard of care

Law, Rule, or Policy Changes or Attempted Changes in Last 5 Years to Eliminate Barriers to Entry

Session	Legislation	Summary
2018	HB343	Revised the definition of a dental specialist by removing language requiring recognition by the American Dental Association. This will allow for recognition of additional dental specialties.
2018	S1321	Reduced the number of clinical practice hours required for dentist applicants applying by credentials.
2018	Policy	Reduced credentialing requirements for active duty military applicants. BOD worked with military credentialing office to determine how and what is primary source verified to eliminate redundancy and reduce the cost to applicants.

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2017	S1037	Eliminated retirement status license, revised the definition of active status, and revised requirements to convert from inactive to active status. This allowed persons who absent practice the opportunity to activate their license through completion of CE.
2016	HB 341	Removed the requirement that new and existing licensees must update their IDACARE profiles for the reason that duplicate, and more current information is available at each Board's website.
2016	Policy	The Board reviewed requirements for licensure as a dental hygienist by credentials and concluded that acceptance of all regional testing agency examination scores would not put the public at risk. This policy change opened the door to licensure for dental hygienists who may have taken an exam not previously accepted by the Board.
2015	S1037	Provided more flexibility regarding reinstatement of a license by authorizing two categories, those canceled less than two years and those canceled more than two years. The prior statute required the person to meet requirements of a first-time applicant for licensure. The amendment provided a much less burdensome pathway for license reinstatement for those canceled less than two years.
2014	Rule	The fee for a dentist applicant by credentials was reduced from \$600 to \$300. The Board began utilizing other means to ascertain qualification and fitness of applicants thereby eliminating costs and passing the savings on to the applicants.

Assessment of Public Interest

Licensure and regulation of dental health professionals assures the public that dental health professionals in Idaho are properly educated and competent to practice. Completion of an accredited dental education program serves as one step in assuring clinical competency. Independent third-party testing of abilities assures the individual can perform at or above a level of minimal competency. Continuing education ensures that practicing dental health professionals meet current standards of practice and continue to maintain competence throughout their career.

The public is further protected through the complaint process where their concerns are considered by board members who have the expertise and knowledge to determine the validity of consumers' complaints and decide appropriate follow-up action if warranted.

Recommendations for Improvement, Modification, or Elimination of Requirements

The Board annually reviews the content requirements for clinical examinations for licensure and surveys the dental testing agencies in order to inform applicants of testing agency acceptance. Every five years, the Board conducts a thorough review of the laws, rules, and policies to assure they are relevant and consistent with regulatory standards for dental professionals.

Board staff periodically reviews the process for verification of prerequisite requirements for issuance of each type of license to ensure the greatest efficiency. Modifications are proposed and implemented as deemed necessary or desirable.

Because the review of licensure requirements is an on-going activity, the Board has no recommendations at this time on requirements that can be eliminated.

Requirements for renewal of a license are reviewed on a biennial basis. The Board has no recommendations at this time on requirements that can be eliminated.

Current licensure requirements are appropriate to ensure public protection. Improving the process for applying for an initial license by implementing an online application process would make it more efficient for applicants to submit forms and third-party verifications. The Board will explore the feasibility of adding an online application option during FY 2019.