

29 October 2020

TO: Cindy Cullen, North Dakota Board of Dental Examiners

FROM: North Dakota Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons

To the North Dakota Board of Dental Examiners:

This communication is from the NDSOMS in regards to the Public Hearing scheduled for 30 October 2020 during which proposed changes to the Dental Practice Act will be addressed. Our Society supports the previous communication from the North Dakota Dental Association (attached). While we are certainly appreciative of efforts to update the Dental Practice Act with regards to multiple issues, we feel that the current changes would be better addressed by a task force that includes all interested parties. To that end, we would recommend that the current changes be tabled and such a task force be assembled. There have been many changes nationwide regarding anesthesia and anesthesia assistants, and we believe this presents the Board with a golden opportunity to craft changes that would place North Dakota at the forefront regarding these issues.

Thank you for all of your efforts and your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jonathan R. Gray', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jonathan R. Gray, D.D.S.  
North Dakota Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, Secretary

CC:mvc

Enclosure