MEMBERS PRESENT

Colleen Madden, Public Member, Chair
John Carbery, DMD, Vice-Chair
Paul Bryan, DMD
James Henderson, Public Member
Bree Kramer, EFDA
Robert Shaw, DMD
Aaron Stevens, DMD
Lyle McClellan, DDS
Kara Baza, EFDA
John Liu, DDS
David Carsten, DDS
Ronald Marsh, DDS
Karim Alibhai, DMD

OTHERS PRESENT

Mike Walsh, Washington State Dental Association (WSDA)
Emily Lovell, WSDA
Mellani McAleenan, WSDA
Marilyn Rothen, Washington State Dental Hygienists’ Association (WSDHA)
Sara Gordon, University of Washington (UW)
Frank Roberts, DDS, UW
Gary Pickard, Pacific Dental Services
Scott Graverson, Henry Schein
Cliff Webster, Association of Dental Support Organizations
Colleen Gaylord, WSDHA
James Graves, Lee Smart
Kirsten Johnson, Smiles Services
Wei Tian, Washington State Society of Orthodontists
Gary Garrety, Department of Health
Ericka Brown, Department of Health

MEMBERS ABSENT

Julia Richman, DDS
Kunal Walia, DDS
LouAnn Mercier, DDS

STAFF PRESENT

Trina Crawford, Executive Director
Jennifer Santiago, Program Manager
Tracie Drake, Assistant Program Manager
Heather Carter, Assistant Attorney General (AAG)
Bill Kellington, Supervising Staff Attorney

OPEN SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER – Colleen Madden, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m.
   1.1. The commission, staff, and audience introduced themselves.
   1.2. The commission approved the agenda.
1.3. The commission approved the July 15, 2016 business meeting minutes as presented.

2. PRESENTATION

2.1. Mikel Olsson, Health Systems Quality Assurance, Washington Recovery and Monitoring Program (WRAMP) provided a presentation regarding the substance abuse monitoring program. WRAMP provides monitoring services to approximately 60 different healthcare professionals including dental assistants, expanded function dental auxiliaries, and dental anesthesia assistants. The commission expressed concern over the cost of participation in the program for dental assistants. Mr. Olsson indicated that the number one reason for withdrawal from the program is the cost. WRAMP is looking for alternative vendors to lower the cost of the program for participants.

2.2. Chris Baumgartner and Gary Garrety, Health Systems Quality Assurance, Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) provided a program update and discussed the new Centers for Disease Control and Prevention grant that provides an opportunity to explore how the department could review prescribing practices.

- Dr. Shaw expressed concern regarding educating the public regarding the risks of prescription opioids—possibly public service announcements. Mr. Baumgartner indicated that there are some national programs for public education.
- Ms. Madden suggested providing literature to providers that they can disseminate to their patients. Educating students in professional programs of the risks involved in prescribing opioids to patients would be beneficial as well.
- The commission discussed possibly using PMP statistical information to provide a report card to practitioners that includes their prescribing history in comparison to their peers.
- Oregon requires an online prescribing course for licensure renewal. The commission may contact them to see if this had an effect on overprescribing.
- Commission members expressed concerns with the difficulty in use of PMP. PMP is working on an automated system for easier use.
- The commission supports using data from PMP to evaluate prescribing practices.
- The commission recommends a class at the Pacific Northwest Dental Conference on this topic.

3. OTHER

3.1. The commission discussed faculty supervision of dental students as required in RCW 18.32.030(3). A question was asked if having a non-faculty member supervising and signing charts is acceptable if there is at least one faculty member employed by the clinic where the student is practicing. The commission discussed acceptable supervision. The commission decided that it is acceptable as long as an affiliate faculty is assigned to every student at the site. A clinical dentist must be onsite supervising the student at all times. The commission requested the University of Washington educate supervising dentists appropriately.

3.2. The commission discussed RCW 18.32.665 and WAC 246-817-390 through 420 Dentist advertising and specialty designation. The commission determined that there is no rule changes needed at this time. Heather Carter, AAG, advised the commission to request AAG advice before taking action on discipline cases regarding advertising.
3.3. The commission discussed whether American Association Dental Board query reports are necessary for dentist license applicants. The reports are an added expense to the commission with little benefit. Dr. Stevens made a motion and the commission agreed to stop requesting query reports.

3.4. Colleen Madden reported to the commission on the mock disciplinary panel presentation provided on July 29, 2016 to the Washington State Dental Hygiene Association and the Washington State Dental Association. Ms. Madden indicated that it was a valuable experience. The commission received a letter dated August 26, 2016 from the Washington State Dental Hygienists’ Association thanking the commission for the presentation.

3.5. Dr. Mercier provided a written report to the commission regarding the Health Systems Quality Assurance Leadership Forum held on July 21, 2016.

3.6. Drs. Carsten and Marsh reported to the commission regarding the Health Systems Quality Assurance New Member Orientation held on September 7, 2016. They indicated that it was very helpful to have attended business and panel meetings prior to the orientation as it provided a reference point to the information. They found the information useful.

4. RULES
4.1. The commission discussed comments, modifications, and reviewed draft rule language for approval of WAC 246-817-550 and 560 – Acts that may be performed by licensed dental hygienists under general supervision and close supervision.
   - The commission discussed nasal anesthetic spray. Some commission members expressed concern regarding the safety of the nasal anesthetic spray. No changes were made relating to nasal anesthetics. Ms. Madden suggested Dr. Carsten and Dr. Stevens provide an article for the newsletter regarding these concerns.
   - The commission agreed to minor wording changes in draft rule. Dr. Stevens made a motion and the commission approved the proposed rule language with changes.

4.2. The commission discussed additional comments received and reviewed draft rule language for approval of WAC 246-817-510, 520, 525, 540, and 545 Delegation of duties to dental assistants and expanded function dental auxiliaries.
   - The commission was asked whether general supervision of dental hygienists should be over all patients or whether it is required to be specific for each patient. General supervision is for all patients, but if there is a concern, the dental hygienist should inform the supervising dentist.
   - A suggestion was made to add reviewing health histories to the dental assistant duties. The commission decided there is no need to add this to the rules as a credential is not required to take a health history, but only a dentist can review it.
   - The commission discussed concerns with dental assistants delivering nitrous oxide. The commission clarified that the dentist should direct the dental assistant in the titration of nitrous oxide to provide to the patient. A dental assistant should never start, stop, raise, or lower nitrous oxide without the dentist’s direction.
   - The commission discussed dental assistants administering blood glucose tests. The commission determined that administering blood glucose tests is allowed for dental assistants as part of the taking of vital signs. Licensed dentists should
ensure appropriate referrals are made to a medical provider when results of a blood glucose screening warrants it.

- The commission determined not to make any changes to the rules.

4.3. Ms. Santiago updated the commission on the status of WAC 246-817-760 Moderate sedation with parenteral agents. The CR 102 has been submitted for review.

4.4. Ms. Santiago updated the commission on the status of WAC 246-817-340 Recording requirements for all prescription drugs. The CR 103 has been submitted for review.

4.5. Ms. Santiago updated the commission on the status of WAC 246-817-160 Graduates of nonaccredited dental schools. The CR 103 was filed on August 19, 2016. The rules are effective on September 19, 2016.

4.6. Ms. Santiago updated the commission on the status of WAC 246-817-130, 135, and 140 Licensure without examination. The CR 103 was filed on July 26, 2016. It became effective on August 26, 2016.

4.7. Ms. Santiago updated the commission on the status of WAC 246-817-601, 610, 620, and 630 Infection Control rules. The CR 101 is pending. The commission will discuss creating a committee for these rules at the October meeting.

4.8. Ms. Santiago updated the commission on the status of WAC 246-817-120 Examination content. The CR 101 is pending. Dr. Bryan expressed a concern with curriculum integrated format examinations. The commission will discuss rule modifications and the curriculum integrated format at the October meeting.

4.9. The commission reviewed the list of priorities for rule modifications. Ms. Santiago will move the completed rules section onto a separate spreadsheet.

5. CONTINUING COMPETENCY COMMITTEE

5.1. Dr. Bryan reported to the commission on the meeting held on August 25, 2016. The committee is working to define continuing competency. The committee will be surveying stakeholders for input. The next meeting will be held on September 29, 2016.

5.2. The committee discussed dentist continuing education requirements. The committee will consider adding an ethical component to the rules. The committee requested commission members send any ideas regarding continuing education rule changes to the committee.

6. EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH COMMITTEE

6.1. Dr. Stevens updated the commission on the meetings held on July 26 and August 22, 2016. The committee is tracking readership of the newsletter and is encouraged by the numbers.

6.2. The committee requested the commission approve exploring methods for publishing disciplinary actions in the newsletter. The commission approved the request.

7. DENTAL COLLABORATION COMMITTEE

Dr. McClellan updated the commission on the meeting held on September 1, 2016. The committee continues to discuss the Central Regional Dental Testing Services (CRDTS) restorative examination. The CRDTS restorative examination will be presented to the commission for approval consideration at the October business meeting. A clinical restorative examination is required for expanded function dental auxiliary licensure.
8. **CORRESPONDENCE**

8.1. The commission was provided an email dated July 11, 2016 from Dr. Klass regarding taking blood pressure vitals of every patient. The commission will send a response indicating that not everything that is in the standard of care is in rule.

8.2. The commission was provided an email dated July 26, 2016 from Dr. Chang regarding providing acupuncture in dentistry. The commission will send a response providing the definition of dentistry statute.

8.3. The commission was provided an email dated August 4, 2016 from Dr. Victor Barry regarding due process for dentist license renewal and the dental commission acronym. The commission will send a response referencing the difference between chapter 18.130 RCW and chapter 18.32 RCW.

8.4. The commission was provided a letter dated August 15, 2016 from the Washington State Dental Association supporting the license fee decrease.

8.5. The commission was provided an email dated August 16, 2016 from Dr. Jaeman Woo regarding facial cosmetic laser treatment as scope of practice for dentists and/or oral and maxillofacial surgeons. The commission will send a response providing the definition of dentistry statute.

9. **PUBLIC DISCLOSURE**

The commission considered a request from DOCS Education for approval as a professional association or education organization to receive lists and labels. The commission granted approval.

10. **PROGRAM REPORT**

10.1. The commission received the June and July 2016 interim operating budget report. Ms. Castle indicated that the July 2016 budget report is incorrect.

10.2. The commission discussed disciplinary hearing statistics and hearing panels.

10.3. The commission was informed that the Uniform Disciplinary Act 2013-2015 Report is now available.

10.4. The commission received the list of 2017 business meeting dates.

10.5. The commission received a list of active committees.

11. **REGIONAL BOARD UPDATES**

11.1. The commission approved for Bill Kellington to attend the American Association of Dental Boards annual conference on October 18-19, 2016.

11.2. The commission received the Western Regional Examining Board, Dental Exam Review Board meeting minutes from June 24, 2016.

12. **FUTURE COMMISSION BUSINESS**

The commission did not discuss any future business.
The commission adjourned at 11:34 a.m.

Submitted By:  

Signature on file  
Jennifer Santiago, Program Manager

Commission Approval By:  

Signature on file  
Colleen Madden, Chairperson