



## Louisiana State Board of Dentistry

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The Honorable Frank A. Hoffmann  
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*Re: Louisiana State Board of Dentistry-Rulemaking*

Dear Gentlemen:

Pursuant to R.S. 49:968(D)(1)(b), the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry (the "Board") hereby announces its plan to finalize the June 20, 2017, Notice of Intent that was published on pages 1199-1201 of the *Louisiana Register*. A copy of the rules, as published, are attached for your review. Also attached is the approved Fiscal and Economic Impact Statement.

The current rule of the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry only recognizes 9 of the American Dental Association's approved areas of specialties. The changes to LAC 46:XXXIII.122 and .301 will now allow the board to recognize any specialty of area of dentistry for which a dentist has completed an accredited, two year full time residency.

The changes to LAC 46:XXXIII.128 will allow dentists licensed in another state but not licensed in Louisiana to participate in "hands on" continuing education courses in Louisiana as long as the patient on whom the work is being done is not charged a fee.

The Louisiana State Board of dentistry is changing LAC 46:XXXIII.411 to set the amount the exact fee of a preapproval of advertisements because the amount was never set in the rule, there was just a range listed in R.S. 37:795.

Finally, LAC 46:XXXIII.1511 currently sets forth certain requirements in order to perform different levels of sedation in a dental office. The level of sedation that currently reads “moderate sedation with parenteral drugs” is changed to read simply “moderate sedation” to make it clear that the requirements apply to all moderate sedation, not just moderate sedation with parenteral drugs.

The board did not receive any comments to these proposed rule changes or requests for a public hearing and no changes have been made to these proposed rules since initial publication in the June 20, 2016 edition of the Register. Therefore, subject to legislative oversight by either the House or Senate Health and Welfare Committees, the board intends to submit these rules to the Office of the State Register for publication on September 20, 2017. Please contact the undersigned at (504) 568-8574, if the board can be of any assistance to you concerning these rules.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours truly

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Arthur F. Hickham, Jr." in a cursive style.

Arthur F. Hickham, Jr.  
Executive Director  
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Enclosure