

# ANNUAL REPORT



## State Dental Board

**FY 23/FY24 Biennium**

**December 23, 2024**

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December 23, 2024

The Honorable Mike DeWine, Governor  
The Honorable Jon Husted, Lieutenant Governor  
77 South High Street, 30th Floor  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Governor DeWine and Lieutenant Governor Husted:

On behalf of the Ohio State Dental Board, we are pleased to submit this annual report that encompasses fiscal years 2023 and 2024 in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 4715.04.

The Board has continued to successfully serve the public by protecting dental consumers, investigating complaints, upholding the standards of the profession, and supporting oral health access. The Board has also worked with other state agencies to protect Ohioans, including collaborating with the Ohio Board of Pharmacy on the Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System (OARRS) non-fatal drug overdose indicator to assist providers in preventing fatal overdoses.

The Board has also continued to provide high quality and efficient licensing services to Ohio Dental Professionals as the numbers of licensees increased from approximately 38,000 to over 40,000 in the last year. One of the programs that will assist the Board's license holders and help protect the public is the recently revived Quality Intervention Program (QUIP). The program offers license holders a plan to remediate practice deficiencies if the public will be adequately protected from unsafe practice and if participation in the program is appropriate. Remediation includes successful demonstration by the license holder that the learned knowledge and skills have been incorporated into the practice and that they function within accepted standards of the profession.

On April 1, 2024, new Anesthesia and Sedation Rules went into effect that reflect current national guidelines, scientific advances, and improved safety practices. These changes were adopted by the Board after receiving input from Ohio's professional societies, dentists, and interested citizens. These rules reflect a shift from a focus on the route of administration of anesthesia to a recognition that there is an anesthesia continuum which represents a spectrum encompassing analgesia, local anesthesia, sedation, and general anesthesia.

Finally, several state dental boards, including our organization, are facing a legal challenge aimed at recognizing dental specialties that are not recognized by the Commission on Dental Accreditation and the U.S. Department of Education. The Board has consulted and worked closely with interested parties in proposing modifications to its rules on specialty designation and advertising to protect the public and to avoid costly litigation.

We wish to thank you in your support of the Board and our efforts to protect dental patients, serve our licensees, and promote access to oral health for the 11 million Ohioans that we serve.

Very respectfully,

  
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President

  
Miguel A. Santiago, Esq.  
Interim Executive Director

# BOARD OVERVIEW

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The Board is comprised of 13 members consisting of nine dentists, three dental hygienists, and one public member. All the Board members are appointed by the Governor and serve four-year terms. Aside from choosing a President, two of the Board members who are dentists are selected by their peers to serve as the Board's Secretary and Vice Secretary and oversee the Board's Supervisory Investigative Panel.

The Board meets at least eight times per year. Meeting agendas and minutes are available on the Board's website.

## **Committees**

The Board addresses a variety of policy issues through its standing committees. Committees formulate reports and recommendations to take to the full Board for approval. Committee meetings typically are held on the same day as the Board meetings. Board actions on committee recommendations are included in the Board meeting minutes.

### **Education Committee**

The Education Committee is a committee comprised of three (3) Board members, one of whom is appointed by the Board President as the chairperson. The Education Committee generally meets immediately prior to regularly scheduled Board meetings. Primary directives of the Education Committee are to review and make recommendations to the Board regarding continuing education providers, specific educational courses that lead to Board-issued certificates or permitted duties of dental auxiliaries, and continuing education audits of minimum requirements for licensure renewal. Recommendations from the Education Committee are forwarded to the full Board for further consideration, review, and approval.

### **Law and Rules Review Committee**

The Law and Rules Review Committee is comprised of six (6) members consisting of four (4) Board members; one (1) representative from the Ohio Dental Association (ODA); and one (1) representative from the Ohio Dental Hygienists' Association (ODHA). Also, other regular attendees include the Board's Assistant Attorney General, Executive Director, Chief Legal Counsel, and Deputy Director. The primary purpose of the Law and Rules Review Committee is the five-year review of the administrative rules governing the licensing and regulation of the dental professions and to make changes as deemed necessary by the Board, subject to legislative approval. The Law and Rules Review Committee submits recommendations regarding rule revisions to the full Board for review, consideration, and approval for filing with the Office of the Common Sense Initiative (CSI) and the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR).

### **Examination Committee**

The Examination Committee is comprised of three (3) Board members including a chairperson appointed by the Board President. The committee considers various examination options offered by regional testing agencies, and other such authorized entities, to determine acceptability for licensure, certification, or registration. The Examination Committee makes recommendations to the full Board for further consideration, review, and approval.

### **Policy Committee**

The Policy Committee is comprised of three (3) Board members including a chairperson appointed by the Board President. The committee considers, drafts, and develops policies and position statements that clarify the laws and rules governing the dental professions which allow the Board to operate more effectively and efficiently. The Policy Committee makes recommendations to the full Board on policies for review, consideration, and approval.

### **Scope of Practice Committee**

The Scope of Practice Committee is comprised of four (4) Board members including a chairperson appointed by the Board President. It considers inquiries and develops position statements which clarify the scope of practice for the profession since the field of dentistry is constantly evolving and changing with emerging technologies that offer better solutions to oral health problems. The committee makes recommendations to the full Board with the health, safety, and welfare of Ohio's dental consumers as its principal motivation.

### **Ad Hoc Committee**

The Ad Hoc Committee is comprised of four (4) Board members including a chairperson appointed by the Board President. The focus of the committee are unique tasks as assigned by the Board. The Ad Hoc Committee reports to the full Board for review, consideration, and approval.

### **Research Committee**

The Research Committee is comprised of three (3) Board members including a chairperson appointed by the Board President. The focus of the committee is to research any major issues stemming from the other committees that require a deep dive and recommendation on a pathway forward. The Research Committee reports to the respective committee requesting a deep dive and to the full Board.

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES

Historically, in odd numbered fiscal years, less revenue is collected by the Board resulting in a deficit. However, this deficit is offset by a surplus generated in even numbered fiscal years when more revenue is collected. This anomaly is due to the revenue pattern of lower-cost license renewals (e.g. EFDAs and Radiographers) occurring in odd numbered fiscal years and higher-cost license renewals (e.g. Dentists & Dental Hygienists) occurring in even numbered fiscal years.

	FY23 (odd fiscal year)	FY24 (even fiscal year)
<b>REVENUE:</b>		
<b>LICENSURE FEES</b>	<b>\$753,484.00</b>	<b>\$3,363,261.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>		
<b>PAYROLL</b>	<b>\$1,206,984.87</b>	<b>\$1,552,314.79</b>
<b>PURCHASED PERSONNEL SERVICES</b>	<b>\$18,445.00</b>	<b>\$35,255.25</b>
Administrative	0.00	0.00
Consultants & Experts	14,965.00	30,812.25
State & Vendor offered Training	895.00	525.00
Membership Dues	2,585.00	3,635.00
Witness Fees	0.00	283.00
<b>SUPPLIES &amp; MAINTENANCE</b>	<b>\$407,483.16</b>	<b>\$310,556.93</b>
Office Supplies, Equipment & Repairs	7,525.10	2,785.64
Copy, Print, Scan Equip<\$1,000	0.00	0.00
Medical Licenses & Permits	0.00	0.00
General Travel & Expenses	11,909.42	16,676.19
ISTV/DAS	348,872.26	198,663.73
IT/Software/Equipment/Perpetual License	3,150.00	5,789.36
Network Communications	19,519.44	16,334.25
Bank Fees for electronic licensing transactions	15,063.94	69,053.18
Books/Subscriptions	1,293.00	1,254.58
Park/Storage/Messenger/Janitorial/Toll/Equip	150.00	0.00
<b>REFUNDS</b>	<b>\$114.07</b>	<b>\$4,555.00</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$753,484.00</b>	<b>\$3,363,261.00</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$1,633,027.10</b>	<b>\$1,893,571.97</b>
<b>SURPLUS or (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>(\$879,543.10)</b>	<b>\$1,469,689.03</b>

## LICENSURE

The Board regulated approximately 40,902 licensees, registrants, certificate holders and permit holders in FY 24 compared to 38,591 in FY 23. This is a 5.9% increase from FY 23 to FY 24 compared to the 1.4% decrease from FY 22 to FY 23. The Board issued 3,260 new licenses, registrations, certificates or permits in FY 24 compared to 3,284 in FY 23. The number of dentists licensed to practice in FY 24 was 7,081, a 4.8% decrease compared to FY 23. The number of dental hygienists licensed to practice in FY 24 was 8,522, a 1.9% decrease compared to FY 23.

<b>LICENSURE - NEW</b>	<b>FY 23</b>	<b>FY 24</b>
Dental licenses issued - examination	291	258
Dental licenses issued - residency	11	10
Dental licenses issued - non-accredited international	19	9
Dental licenses issued - credentials	38	73
Dental licenses issued - active military temporary	5	3
General Anesthesia permits issued	10	5
Conscious Sedation permits issued	20	23
Dental Hygiene licenses issued - examination	312	293
Dental Hygiene licenses issued - credentials	17	32
Dental Hygiene licenses issued - active military temporary	0	2
Dental Radiographer certificates issued (Den. X-ray Mach. Oper.)	1,848	1,813
Coronal Polishing certificates issued	230	240
Expanded Function Dental Auxiliary registrations issued	212	208
Limited Continuing Education licenses issued	86	67
Limited Resident licenses issued	152	160
Limited Teaching licenses issued - Dentist	10	6
Limited Teaching licenses issued - Hygienist	0	0
Oral Health Access Supervision permit - Hygienist	6	21
Oral Health Access Supervision permit - Dentist	9	24
Teledentistry permits issued	8	13
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,284</b>	<b>3,260</b>
<b>LICENSURE - ACTIVE</b>	<b>FY 23</b>	<b>FY 24</b>
Dentists	7,442	7,081
Dental Hygienists	8,691	8,522
Dental Radiographer certificates issued (Den. X-ray Mach. Oper.)	15,126	17,563
Limited Residents	336	367
Limited Teaching - Dentist	40	45
Limited Teaching - Hygienist	1	1
Limited Continuing Education	105	83
Coronal Polishing	2,747	2,987
Expanded Function Dental Auxiliaries	3,284	3,427
General Anesthesia permit	256	249
Conscious Sedation permit	391	390
Oral Health Access Supervision permit - Hygienist	100	107
Oral Health Access Supervision permit - Dentist	48	50
Teledentistry permit	24	30
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,591</b>	<b>40,902</b>

## ORAL HEALTH ACCESS SUPERVISION PROGRAM (OHASP)

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Compilation of OHASP Services Based on Self-Reported Data FY 23 and FY 24			
OHASP STATISTICS - DENTISTS		2023	2024
Number of Applications		10	24
Number of Permits Issued		9	24
Number of Permits Renewed		1	37
Number of Permits Active		48	50
Geographical Location	# of Facilities	N/A	22
	# of Counties	N/A	17
Number of Clinical Evaluations Conducted by A Dentist		N/A	939
OHASP STATISTICS - DENTAL HYGIENISTS		2023	2024
Number of Applications		4	23
Number of Permits Issued		6	21
Number of Permits Renewed		0	99
Number of Active Permits		100	107
Geographical Location	# of Facilities	N/A	39
	# of Counties	N/A	23
Number of Patients Seen by A Dental Hygienist		N/A	3,616
Disclaimer - This table is presented for general information purposes only. Information was retrieved from self-reported license renewal data reflecting a 2-year cycle and therefore is available for the renewal year only. Excluded from this data set are any late submissions that are received outside the report dates.			



## COMPLIANCE AND MONITORING

The Board received 447 complaints in FY 24 and 412 complaints in FY 23. These complaints are investigated by 4 enforcement officers who travel across the state of Ohio to conduct the inquiries. Investigative reports are then reviewed by the Supervisory Investigative Panel (“SIP”) consisting of the Board’s Secretary and Vice Secretary. They determine whether a case should be presented to the Board for disciplinary action or to close it with no further action. Board members vote on the appropriate action to be taken.

CASE TYPE	FY 23 COUNT	FY 24 COUNT
Adverse Occurrence	9	32
Advertising	0	2
Anesthesia/Sedation Violations	0	0
Bootstrap (Adverse Action Taken by Other Agency)	5	4
Commission of Felony Act	5	1
Commission of Misdemeanor Act in Course of Practice	1	1
Failure to Renew	0	1
Felony	9	2
Fraud/Deception in Obtaining a License	1	3
Fraudulent Billing Practices	18	18
Illegitimately Selling/Prescribing/Administering Drugs	3	7
Impairment	12	9
Infection Control Violations	14	12
Jurisdictional Issues	17	0
Lewd/Immoral Conduct in the Course of Practice	6	4
Continuing Education	2	0

Misrepresentation/Deception to Obtain Property	4	1
OARRS Violations	5	1
Permitting	5	4
Practicing Outside Scope	3	7
Standard of Care	245	283
Standard of Care with Significant Patient Injury	5	4
Standard of Care: Excessive/Unnecessary Treatment	9	17
Standard of Care: Informed Consent	6	2
Standard of Care: Patient Records	6	5
Unlicensed Practice	21	25
Violation of Consent Agreement	1	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>447</b>

## DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

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The Board is authorized to revoke and suspend licenses, certificates and permits, impose probationary requirements, issue suspensions and practice restrictions. The Board is also authorized to deny initial applications or renewal applications. There were 131 disciplinary actions taken in FY 23 compared to 183 in FY 24.

COMPLAINTS AND INVESTIGATIONS	FY 23	FY 24
Cases carried over from previous year	278	289
New cases assigned	513	447
Total cases investigated	791	736

CHARGES FILED AND CITATIONS ISSUED	FY 23	FY 24
Administrative Charges Filed	11	7
Evidentiary Reviews	1	1
Hearings Held	0	1
Suspensions	4	12
Revocations	1	1
Consent Agreements	11	33
Hearings Pending	8	9
Adjudication Orders	2	1
Warning Letters	69	108
Infection Control Evaluations	23	10
Voluntary Surrender/Retirement	1	0

# BOARD MEMBERS APPOINTMENT MATRIX

## Appointments as of June 30, 2024

Board Member Name	Eligible for reappointment?				
		2024	2025	2026	2027
<b>Vacant – Dentist</b> (formerly Dr. Subramanian - vacant since 6/5/23)	No				
<b>Vacant – Dentist</b> (formerly Dr. Kyger - vacant since 6/5/24)	No	4/6/2024			
<b>Vacant – Dentist</b> (formerly Dr. Kelley – vacant since 6/5/24)	Yes	4/6/2024			
<b>Jamillee Krob, RDH, DHEd - Dental Hygienist</b>	No		4/6/2025		
<b>Trevor Vessels, Public Member</b>	No		4/6/2025		
<b>Kelly Kirtland, DDS, MS, MA, MBA - Dentist</b>	Yes		4/6/2025		
<b>Faisal Quereshy, MD, DDS - Dentist</b>	No			4/6/2026	
<b>Canise Bean, DMD, MPH - Dentist</b>	No			4/6/2026	
<b>Mary Kaye Scaramucci, RDH - Dental Hygienist</b>	No			4/6/2026	
<b>George Williams, DDS - Dentist</b>	Yes			4/6/2026	
<b>Michele Carr, RDH, Ed.D - Dental Hygienist</b>	No				4/6/2027
<b>Kathy Brisley-Sedon, DDS - Dentist</b>	No				4/6/2027
<b>Murali Lakireddy, DDS - Dentist</b>	No				4/6/2027

### LEGEND

<b>BLUE</b> - indicates Board seat is vacant
<b>RED</b> - indicates Board member terms that expired in 2024
<b>YELLOW</b> - indicates Board member terms that expire in 2025
<b>GREEN</b> - indicates Board member terms that expire in 2026
<b>ORANGE</b> - indicates Board member terms that expire in 2027

**OHIO STATE DENTAL BOARD  
STRATEGIC MAP  
FOR CALENDAR YEARS 2024/2025**

**OUR VISION**  
The State Dental Board will protect the oral health of Ohioans' and promote access to care.

**OUR MISSION**  
The State Dental Board is entrusted to protect Ohioans through legislation, licensure, education, and enforcement of laws and rules with fairness and integrity.

**OUR CORE VALUES**  
S.E.R.V.I.C.E. = Stewardship + Excellence + Respect + Virtuousness + Integrity + Communication + Ethics

**OUR MAJOR PRIORITIES AND KEY ACTION ITEMS**

There are 15 major priorities & key action items spread across 3 service lines and 2 cross-cutting priorities impacting all 3 service lines (i.e. Licensure; Education; Enforcement)

**LICENSURE**

- 1 – DEFINE CRITERIA FOR DENTAL SPECIALTIES IN THE DENTAL PRACTICE ACT.
- 2 – REVIEW & UPDATE SCOPE OF PRACTICE FOR ALL LICENSEES.
- 3 – EXAMINE PROPOSED INTERSTATE COMPACT LICENSURE LEGISLATION FOR IMPLEMENTATION.
- 4 – CONSIDER ALTERNATIVE CLINICAL EXAMINATION METHODOLOGIES.
- 5 – EXPAND COMMUNICATION APPARATUS SO AS TO PROVIDE MOST CURRENT LICENSURE INFORMATION.

**EDUCATION**

- 6 - LEVERAGE THIRD-PARTY C.E. VENDOR SERVICES FOR INCREASED EFFICIENCY WITH C.E. TRACKING.
- 7 - COLLABORATE WITH PARTNERS ON DEVELOPING UPDATED OPIOID PRESCRIBING TRAINING.
- 8 - REVIEW C.E. REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL LICENSE TYPES.
- 9 - REVIEW BASIC LIFE SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS.
- 10 - EXPAND COMMUNICATION APPARATUS SO AS TO PROVIDE MOST CURRENT C.E. INFORMATION.

**ENFORCEMENT**

- 11 – UPDATE INFECTION CONTROL PROTOCOL
- 12 – CLOSELY MONITOR ADHERENCE TO ACUTE PAIN PRESCRIBING PROTOCOL
- 13 – LEVERAGE THE QUALITY INTERVENTION PROGRAM.
- 14. - CONTINUE TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT OF ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.
- 15 – CONSIDER ESTABLISHING MONETARY FINES FOR LESSEGREGIOUS VIOLATIONS.

Shown below are 2 cross-cutting priorities that impact all 3 service lines

- 16 - REVIEW AND UPDATE STATUTE, RULES AND POLICIES
- EXECUTIVE PRIORITY
- 17 - CONTINUE TO ELEVATE AWARENESS OF OHIO'S OPIOID EPIDEMIC AND REDUCE OVERPRESCRIBING OF OPIOIDS & BENZODIAZEPINES