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**CERTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES
FILED WITH THE LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY
OTHNI LATHRAM, DIRECTOR**

(Pursuant to Code of Alabama 1975, §41-22-6, as amended).

I certify that the attached is/are correct copy/copies of rule/s as promulgated and adopted on Friday, November 8, 2024, and filed with the agency secretary on Friday, November 8, 2024.

AGENCY NAME: Board of Dental Examiners of Alabama

INTENDED ACTION: Amend

RULE NO.: 270-X-2-.22

(If amended rule, give specific paragraph, subparagraphs, etc., being amended)

RULE TITLE: Patient Records

ACTION TAKEN: State whether the rule was adopted with or without changes from the proposal due to written or oral comments:

Adopted without changes

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION PUBLISHED IN VOLUME XLII, ISSUE NO. 12, AAM, DATED MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2024.

STATUTORY RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Ala. Code 1975, §34-9-43

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(NOTE: In accordance with §41-22-6(b), as amended, a proposed rule is required to be certified within 90 days after completion of the notice.)

270-X-2-.22 Patient Records.

(1) A dentist shall maintain complete records on all patients and said records may include such information as the dentist deems appropriate but shall at a minimum include the following:

(a) Patient's first and last name, address, and contact information; and,

(b) Current health history; and,

(c) The date treatment rendered. The type of treatment rendered. The reason for the treatment rendered and the full name of the treating dentist and/or dental hygienist; and,

(d) Records of financial transactions should be retained or recorded; and,

(e) Applicable radiographs and/or digital intraoral images; and,

(f) Correspondence between treating dentist and any prior and subsequent dentists, physicians and/or referral sources/recommendations; and,

(g) Pathology reports and all related correspondence; and

(h) A record of all controlled substances prescribed, administered, and/or dispensed, including dosages, quantities, and authorized refills, if any.

(2) When appropriate, records may also include but not be limited to:

(a) Treatment plan(s); and,

(b) Informed consent(s).

(3) Records shall be maintained in accordance with Rule 270-X-2-.26.

Author: Board of Dental Examiners of Alabama

Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §34-9-43.

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