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TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR NOTICE
OF INTENDED ACTION

Control: 270

Department or Agency: Board of Dental Examiners of Alabama

Rule No.: 270-X-2-.20

Rule Title: Reporting Of Adverse Occurrences

Intended Action Amend

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? Yes

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? Yes

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? No

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved? No

To what degree?: N/A

Is the increase in cost more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? NA

Are all facets of the rule-making process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? Yes

Does the proposed action relate to or affect in any manner any litigation which the agency is a party to concerning the subject matter of the proposed rule? No

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Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? No

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

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Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Services Agency.

Signature of certifying officer

Stephen Morris
Stephen Morris

Date

Monday, September 22, 2025

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BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS OF ALABAMA

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Board of Dental Examiners of Alabama

RULE NO. & TITLE: 270-X-2-.20 Reporting Of Adverse Occurrences

INTENDED ACTION: Amend

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:

Change starting 7-day initial notice to 7 business days from the date on which the dentist first becomes aware of the mortality or significant injury.

Change 30-day completed report to 30 business days from the date on which the dentist first becomes aware of the mortality or significant injury.

TIME, PLACE AND MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS:

All interested persons may submit data, views, or arguments to the Board of Dental Examiners of Alabama at stephen@dentalboard.org.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

Friday, December 5, 2025

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY:

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(Signature of officer authorized
to promulgate and adopt
rules or his or her deputy)

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1. Any dentist practicing in the State of Alabama must notify the Board of Dental Examiners of Alabama (Board) of any mortality or significant injury occurring during or directly related to a dental procedure or treatment performed by a dentist or in which a dentist participated in any manner whether occurring in an office, hospital, or other outpatient treatment facility within seven (7) business days of the referenced occurrence from the date on which the dentist first becomes aware of the mortality or significant injury. A significant injury is defined as physical injury that results in hospital admission.

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2. In addition, the dentist shall submit a complete report to the Board within thirty (30) business days from the date on which the dentist first becomes aware of the referenced occurrence which must include, at a minimum, the following:

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- a. Description of the dental procedure.

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- b. Description of preoperative physical condition of the patient, including recorded vitals.

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- c. List of drugs and dosages administered.

~~(d)~~

- d. Description, in detail, of techniques utilized in administering the drugs used.

~~(e)~~

- e. Description of the adverse occurrence.

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1. Describe, in detail, symptoms of any complications to include, but not be limited to,

the onset and type of symptoms exhibited by the patient.

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2. Treatment instituted on the patient.

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3. Response of the patient to the treatment.

Author: Board of Dental Examiners of Alabama

Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §§34-9-1(10), 34-9-2, 34-9-43, 34-9-65.

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