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BOARD OF DENTISTRY

MINUTES
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE "B"

TIME AND PLACE:	Special Conference Committee "B" convened on November 22, 2013 at 1:35 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 2nd Floor Conference Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA 23233.
PRESIDING:	Charles E. Gaskins, III, D.D.S.
MEMBERS PRESENT:	A. Rizkalla, D.D.S.
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Melanie C. Swain, R.D.H.
STAFF PRESENT:	Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager Indy Toliver, Adjudication Specialist
QUORUM:	With two members present, a quorum was established.
Jeryl A. Abbott, D.D.S. **Case No.: 144310**	Dr. Abbott appeared with counsel, Gerald C. Canaan, to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated August 22, 2013. The Committee received statements from Dr. Abbott and Mr. Canaan and discussed the allegations with them.
Closed Meeting:	Dr. Rizkalla moved that the Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Jeryl A. Abbott. Additionally, Dr. Rizkalla moved that Ms. Reen, Ms. Lee, and Ms. Toliver attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and passed.
Reconvene:	Dr. Rizkalla moved that the Committee certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and passed.
DECISION: **Case No.: 144310**	Ms. Toliver reported that the Committee found that Dr. Abbott assessed Patient A and her insurance a charge for nutritional counseling, despite the fact that this treatment is not reflected in

Patient A's dental records and Patient A also denies that this counseling ever occurred.

The Committee also found that Dr. Abbott assessed Patient A and her insurance a charge for tobacco counseling, despite the fact that Patient A denies this counseling ever occurred, and Patient A does not smoke or use tobacco products.

The Committee further found that Dr. Abbott assessed Patient A and her insurance a charge for a desensitizing agent that she used on Patient A's teeth #14 and 15 during restorations she performed, despite the fact that the insurance code used is prohibited from being used in conjunction with restoration procedures.

The sanctions reported by Ms. Toliver were that Dr. Abbott's license shall be placed on probation subject to the terms and conditions that within 6 months from the date of entry of the Order she shall successfully complete 7 hours of continuing education in recordkeeping and risk management, and also provide evidence that her staff has been trained on proper accounting and dental billing practices.

Dr. Rizkalla moved to adopt the decision of the Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

Approval of Minutes: Upon a motion by Dr. Rizkalla, the minutes from the Informal Conference conducted on August 30, 2013 were approved; and the minutes from the Telephone Conference Call conducted on November 6, 2013 were approved.

ADJOURNMENT: With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Charles E. Gaskins, III, D.D.S., Chair

1/31/14
Date

Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director

2/5/14
Date