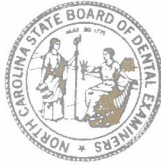


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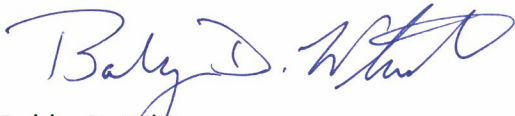
Greetings to All:

The North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners (NCSBDE) is filing this report in compliance with SL 2020-97, Section 3.20. During the current state of emergency, the NCSBDE has implemented the following:

- Accepted the American Dental Examination's (ADEX) typodont model rather than a live patient for assessing dentist and dental hygienist's hand skills detecting calculus and in performing gingival and subgingival scaling.
- Accepted the ADEX CompeDont model rather than a live patient for assessing dentist's skills in performing restorative dentistry.
- Created a pathway for a temporary dental and dental hygiene license for candidates unable to complete clinical examinations in a timely fashion upon graduation. The Board extended the pathway for temporary licensure at its October 2020 meeting.
- Waived the requirement for a background check from the State Bureau of Investigation prior to licensure.
- Accepted digital copies of certificates and official transcripts rather than paper copies under seal.

Thank you for all your valuable work on behalf of our state during these unprecedented times. If you need additional information or I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bobby D. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "B" and a stylized "W".

Bobby D. White
CEO/Legal Counsel