

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF:

SHAWANA NEOPI PATTERSON, D.D.S.)	ORDER SUMMARILY SUSPENDING GENERAL ANESTHESIA PERMIT
(License Number 9248))	
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Pursuant to G.S. 150B-3(c), the North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners (Board) finds that the public health, safety and welfare requires emergency action and hereby summarily suspends the General Anesthesia Permit, Number 160810, issued to Shawana Neopi Patterson (Respondent), effective upon service of this Order. This action is being taken based on evidence and information obtained during the Board's investigation demonstrating that Respondent improperly administered anesthesia to a patient whose medical condition and medical history indicated general anesthesia was not an appropriate treatment option. Administration of the anesthesia resulted in the patient becoming unresponsive before being hospitalized.

Based on the information received, the Board finds and concludes that the public health, safety or welfare requires emergency action and the summary suspension of Respondent's General Anesthesia Permit. Therefore, Respondent shall immediately cease administering general anesthesia and sedation in North Carolina and surrender her General Anesthesia Permit, pending further order of the Board. Respondent may continue to utilize nitrous oxide and local anesthesia in her practice.

Formal proceedings will be promptly commenced and determined when Respondent submits a written request for a hearing before the Board. Absent such a written request, a formal hearing will be scheduled as soon as practicable. Respondent will be served with a notice of hearing containing the allegations to be heard in compliance with N.C. Gen. Stat. 150B -38(b).

This the 4th day of April, 2018.

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE
BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS



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