

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

In the Matter of:

STEPHEN C. WALLACE, D.D.S.
(License No. 4127)

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**CONSENT ORDER
SUMMARILY RESTRICTING
MODERATE SEDATION PERMIT**

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 restricts the moderate sedation permit issued to Stephen C. Wallace, D.D.S. ["Respondent"], with his agreement and effective upon entry of this Consent Order. This action is being taken based on evidence and information obtained to date during the Board's investigation of matters, as alleged in the Notice of Hearing issued to Respondent. The allegations of the Notice of Hearing are incorporated herein by reference as the primary factual basis of this Order.

The Board's Investigative Panel has reached an agreement with Respondent to summarily restrict his moderate conscious sedation permit during these proceedings. Pursuant to this agreement and Consent Order, Respondent shall not administer any level of sedation to patients while the contested case proceedings are pending. This Order does not prohibit Respondent from administering local anesthetic or nitrous oxide, if clinically appropriate to do so.

Respondent may utilize an independent provider who is authorized to administer sedation or general anesthesia without supervision, such as an anesthesiologist or an itinerant permit holder. Alternatively, Respondent may utilize and supervise the services of an independent Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA) to

administer a level of sedation not to exceed moderate conscious sedation. Respondent shall not permit a CRNA to administer Propofol nor any drugs designed by the manufacturer for use in administering general anesthesia or deep sedation or drugs contraindicated for use in moderate conscious sedation drugs, such as ketamine. Respondent remains responsible for his supervision of any CRNA utilized, including compliance with this Consent Order. Respondent shall keep records demonstrating his use of an independent anesthesia provider for each patient to whom sedation is administered and provide such records to the Board upon request.

This summary restriction shall remain in effect while the contested case proceedings are pending and until either a Final Agency Decision is rendered, or the Board enters a subsequent order regarding the summary restriction.

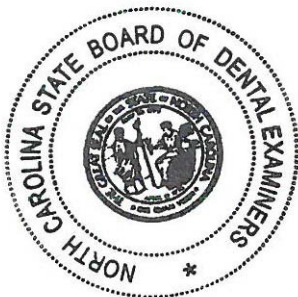
The Board's summary restriction is not a Final Agency Decision concerning whether the violations alleged in the Notice of Hearing occurred, or concerning Respondent's moderate sedation permit, his dental license, or his potential ability to administer sedation or practice dentistry in the future.

This the 4th day of August 2020

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE
BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS




Casie S. Goode
Director of Investigations



STATEMENT OF CONSENT

I, Stephen C. Wallace, D.D.S. do hereby certify that I have read the foregoing Consent Order Summarily Restricting Moderate Sedation Permit and assent to it. By assenting to this Consent Order, I am not admitting to the allegations in the Notice of Hearing incorporated herein. I understand that the Board staff may make unannounced visits to my dental office for the purpose of ensuring full compliance with this Consent Order and may request documentation to determine compliance. I understand that the Board will report the contents of this Consent Order to the National Practitioner Data Bank and that it will become part of the Board's public record. I freely and voluntarily enter this Consent Order. I acknowledge that I have not been forced or coerced to sign this Consent Order and have consulted with counsel before agreeing to and signing it. I waive any ability or potential right to challenge, seek judicial review, or appeal the entry and enforcement of this Consent Order.

This the 21st day of July 2020.


Stephen C. Wallace, D.D.S.