Important Information

Executive Order 20-10
Governor Kate Brown issued EO 20-10 which requires all elective and non-urgent procedures across all care settings, including dental clinics, to cancel or reschedule patients no earlier than June 15, 2020 for the purpose of conserving and redirecting PPE for the state’s Covid-19 emergency response. Following is the link to all of her communications and executive orders:
• https://govstatus.egov.com/or-covid-19

Safe Prescribing Practices
Safe prescribing practices do not include prescribing chloroquine or hydroxychloroquine. This time of pandemic is not a time to jeopardize your patients’ health or your license.

Dental License Renewal Reminder
This is the renewal reminder for those dentists whose licenses expire on March 31, 2020. If you have already submitted your renewal, please check the Board’s Licensee Lookup site (http://obd.oregonlookups.com/) to confirm the Board has renewed your license. If your license has not been renewed, and you should contact us immediately so we can check our records. To date we have 327 dentists who have not renewed their dental licenses. There are only six (6) days left to renew your license! We strongly recommend renewing your license as soon as possible, so any potential problems can be resolved well in advance of the deadline. To renew your dental license, please use the following link to do so:
• 2020-2022 – Dental License Renewal

Please note that if you have already notified the Board that you are no longer renewing your license i.e., letting your license expire, or you have submitted your retirement/resignation form effective March 31, 2020, please disregard this notice.

Maintaining Healthcare Provider BLS/CPR, Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) and/or Pediatric Advance Life Support (PALS)
During this uncertain time, licensees’ certification may be expiring. Even though a licensee may not be practicing they are still required to maintain, at all times, a current and valid Healthcare Provider BLS/CPR certification. In addition, if a licensee has a sedation permit, the appropriate ACLS and/or PALS certification is also required. The Oregon Board of Dentistry (OBD) allows our licensees to complete these courses online. Please contact the Board office at information@oregondentistry.org if you have difficulty finding an appropriate course.

Governor’s Stay Home, Save Lives Campaign
The OBD endorses Governor Brown’s campaign to stay at home and practice social distancing. The OBD urges our licensees to follow Governor Brown’s EO 20-12.
Oregon Board of Dentistry’s Office – Closed to the Public
In an effort to help slow the spread of COVID-19 in Oregon and to protect our employees, the Oregon Board of Dentistry’s will be changing the way we provide services at our office. Effective immediately and until further notice our office will be closed to the public. This only means no visitors to the physical office. Board staff is working to ensure the priority work and mission of the Board continues. Board staff are available to assist you via telephone at 971-673-3200 or at information@oregondentistry.org.

IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT COVID-19/NOVEL CORONAVIRUS: At this time, the Oregon Board of Dentistry (OBD) intends to remain fully operational, with OBD staff reporting to work. However, the OBD anticipates the possibility that individual staff members may abruptly be absent from work and unable to respond to email, possibly for long periods of time, due to a quarantine after exposure to COVID-19, an illness, or a need to care for a family member. Please allow 1-2 business days for a response to your email. If you have not received a response, please email information@oregondentistry.org or call 971-673-3200, and any available OBD staff member will respond. Thank you for your patience.

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