

**270-X-2-.20      Reporting Of Adverse Occurrences.**

(1) Any dentist practicing in the State of Alabama must notify the Board of Dental Examiners of Alabama (Board) of any mortality or significant injury occurring during or directly related to a dental procedure or treatment performed by a dentist or in which a dentist participated in any manner whether occurring in an office, hospital, or other outpatient treatment facility within seven (7) days of the referenced occurrence. A significant injury is defined as physical injury that results in hospital admission.

(2) In addition, the dentist shall submit a complete report to the Board within thirty (30) days of the referenced occurrence which must include, at a minimum, the following:

- (a) Description of the dental procedure.
- (b) Description of preoperative physical condition of the patient, including recorded vitals.
- (c) List of drugs and dosages administered.
- (d) Description, in detail, of techniques utilized in administering the drugs used.
- (e) Description of the adverse occurrence.
  - 1. Describe, in detail, symptoms of any complications to include, but not be limited to, the onset and type of symptoms exhibited by the patient.
  - 2. Treatment instituted on the patient.
  - 3. Response of the patient to the treatment.

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