

Our mission is to ensure and protect dental health by enforcement of the Kansas Dental Laws.

# Kansas Dental Board

## Our Office Location Has Moved— Landon State Office Building, Suite 455-S

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The Kansas Dental Board is proud to announce that our office has officially moved locations. We are still located in the Landon State Office Building, but we just moved down one floor. Our new office address is 900 SW Jackson, Suite 455-S, Topeka, Kansas 66612. The Board has worked hard over the last few years to make the move happen. Many administrative changes have been made in preparation of our move, including an increased emphasis in online technology. The new office space gives the Board much needed room for growth and expansion in the coming years. We are thrilled to be in our new space.

The Kansas Dental Board also hopes that everyone had a safe and happy holiday season.



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## Mobile Dentistry

The need for good oral health for Kansas seniors has become an issue of discussion. According to long term care statistics, 1 in 3 senior citizens will be placed in a nursing home. Where does



this leave their oral health? K.S.A. 65-1469 and K.A.R. 71-8-1 to 71-8-9 outlines the requirements for mobile dental facilities and portable dental operations. Dentists who are not employed or independently contracting with a mobile unit may provide treatment to their patients of record outside of the dental office as long as it is fewer than thirty calendar days per year. If a dentist is working on their patients of record outside of their physically stationary office for more than 30 calendar days per year, then the dentist needs to contact the Board to register for a Mobile Dental Facility or Portable Dental Operation. The form can be found on our website under the profession tab for dentists.

## Continuing Education for 2015

Starting in January of 2015, ethics will be a requirement for continuing education for both dentists and hygienists. Dentists will be required to have two hours of ethics as part of their 60 hours of continuing education. Dental Hygienists will be required to have one hour of ethics as part of their 30 hours of continuing education. The requirements for continuing education are outlined in K.A.R. 71-4-1.



## License Renewal Deadline

All licensees who wish to maintain a Kansas license to practice dentistry or dental hygiene are required to renew their licenses every two years. Each even-numbered licensee must renew in even-numbered years. An odd-numbered licensee must renew in odd-numbered years.

The deadlines to timely renew a license are outlined in K.S.A. 65-1431. A copy of the law may be found on the Board's website: [www.dental.ks.gov](http://www.dental.ks.gov) Each licensee is responsible for timely renewal. An application for renewal

is due on or before December 1 of the year in which the licensee's license expires.

If a licensee fails to timely renew, a \$500 late fee could be imposed between February 1 and March 1. If a licensee fails to renew prior to March 1, the license is automatically cancelled.

**DON'T MISS  
THE DEADLINE!**

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**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTION : Am I required to notify the Board of a change of practice location?**  
**ANSWER: Yes. You are required to notify the Board of a change in practice location within 30 days.**

### CE Audit

After license renewals are complete each year, the Board office conducts a random continuing education audit. Computer software randomly selects the names of those chosen for a con-

tinuing education audit.

In order to successfully complete an audit, those selected will need to submit copies of continuing education certificates, CPR cards, and proof of professional liability insurance. You will be notified by mail if selected.

### Future Board Meetings

Friday, April 10, 2015  
Friday, August 7, 2015  
Friday, November 13, 2015

All meetings held in Topeka.

