RESOLUTION and DECLARATORY RULING  R- 2012 – 3

OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

AUGUST 10, 2012

CLARIFICATIONS OF PREVIOUS RULINGS CONCERNING THE USE OF BOTOX AND MEDICAL MICROPIGMENTATION IN A DENTAL OFFICE

This is a resolution by the Oklahoma State Dental Board. This resolution is enacted pursuant to 59 O.S. §328.15(B)(12),(17),(22) and 195:20-1-110 through 195:20-1-14.

This resolution of the Oklahoma State Board of Dentistry shall further clarify advisory rulings issued by the Board Regarding the use of Botox by Dentists, Botox and/or extra oral injections by Hygienists in a Dental office. This resolution shall be non-expiring until withdrawn by the Board.

Whereas:

1. On July 29, 2005, The Oklahoma Board issued a declaratory ruling, recognizing injections of Botulinum toxins (Type A) in the head and neck as a dental procedure. (see attached Exhibit “a”)

2. On July 31, 2009, the Board issued a declaratory ruling that extra oral injections including the delivery of local anesthesia outside the mouth in the facial region are not within the scope of dental hygiene. (see attached Exhibit “b”)

The Board of Dentistry hereby further declares that:

1. It is the belief of the Dental Board that the use of all botulism toxins and dermafillers can have a beneficial medical use in the practice of dentistry. These procedures if used in a dental office can only be performed by a licensed dentist.

2. All injections must be maintained in the patient records required to be kept for 3 years.

3. A dental hygienist, holding a valid local anesthesia permit, may only provide intra-oral block and infiltration injections, for the purpose of providing local anesthesia under the direct supervision of a dentist.
4. No dental hygienist may administer any type of extra-oral injection including but not limited to anesthetics, botulism toxins or dermafillers.

5. No dental assistant may administer any type of injections in a dental office.

Motion to Pass Resolution by: Dr. Nelson

Second by: Dr. Crawford

Motion Passes ✗. Motion Fails

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