

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF:

Scott M. Jensen, D.M.D.
(License Number 5555)

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**CONSENT ORDER
SUMMARILY RESTRICTING
GENERAL ANESTHESIA PERMIT**

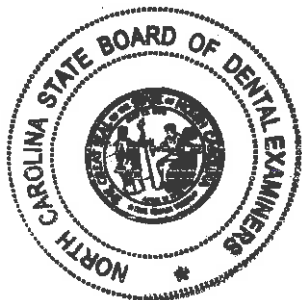
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-3(c), the North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners (Board) finds that the public health, safety and welfare requires emergency action and hereby summarily restricts the general anesthesia permit issued to Scott M. Jensen, D.D.S. (Respondent), effective upon service of this Order. This action is being taken based on evidence and information obtained to date during the Board's investigation indicating the following occurred:

On July 8, 2019, patient M.V. presented to the hospital with a dental abscess. He was provided IV clindamycin and was advised to follow up with a dentist. On July 10, 2019, patient M.V. returned to the hospital with complaining of worsening right-sided facial swelling. The dental abscess caused swelling, cellulitis, and inflammation in the adjacent right face/neck, including in the sublingual, masticator, parapharyngeal, and carotid spaces. Respondent provided a consultation at the hospital and requested patient M.V. be discharged to his office to remove three teeth and drain the abscess. Respondent administered general anesthesia to patient M.V., and soon thereafter patient M.V. developed respiratory depression requiring an emergency procedure to open patient M.V.'s airway which resulted in laceration of the patient's tongue, and he was transported back to the hospital by EMS and admitted.

Respondent submitted an adverse occurrence report to the Board on July 16, 2019. The Board's Investigative Panel has concluded a preliminary review and investigation and has reached an agreement with Respondent. Pursuant to this agreement and Consent Order, Respondent will only administer general anesthesia or sedation utilizing the services of either a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist or another provider authorized to administer general anesthesia without supervision while the investigation is pending and until further order of the Board. Respondent shall keep records demonstrating the use of such anesthesia provider for each patient to whom anesthesia or sedation is administered and provide such records to the Board upon request.

The Board's summary restriction is not a final agency decision concerning Respondent's general anesthesia permit, his dental license, or his potential ability to administer anesthesia or practice dentistry in the future. The summary restriction shall remain in effect while the investigation is pending and until further Order of the Board.

This the 17th day of September 2019.



THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE
BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS




Casie S. Goode
Director of Investigations

STATEMENT OF CONSENT

I, Scott M. Jensen, D.M.D. do hereby certify that I have read the foregoing Consent Order Summarily Restricting General Anesthesia permit and assent to it. 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 understand that the investigation is still on-going, no decision has been made about whether to issue a notice of contested case hearing and, as a result, I agree that no proceeding will be promptly commenced and determined pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. 150B-3(c). I freely and voluntarily enter into this Consent Order and have had an opportunity to consult with my counsel.

This the 17 day of September 2019.



Scott M. Jensen, D.M.D.