

**University of the Pacific Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
Virtual 122nd Alumni Annual Meeting**

Subject Area: California Dental Law

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Saturday, February 27, 2021
9:00 – 11:00 am – 2 units

Title:

“Essential Information and Risk Management Recommendation to Comply with The California Dental Practice Act”

Course Description:

The Dental Board of California requires that all dentists, registered dental hygienists and registered dental assistants, take 2 units of dental law every two years in order to renew their license. The Dental Board of California requires a discussion of: The Dental Practice Act, Dental Auxiliaries, Scope of Practice, Prescription of Medications and Renewal of License.

Objectives:

- 1) Understand the obligation for maintenance and renewal of a California Dental License
- 2) Appraise Understand the Dental Board discipline system, requirements for compliance, standard of review and scope of remedial recommendations
- 3) Understand the scope limits and roles of dentists and dental auxiliaries in private practice
- 4) Understand the legal requirements of records keeping
- 5) Understand the obligations for reporting including abuse, medical incidents requiring hospitalization, anesthesia complications and dental deaths
- 6) Understand and avoid claims to Unprofessional Conduct

Short Bio:

I am a practicing attorney for over 35 years specializing in the defense of dental and medical professionals. I am a principal in the Health Care Law firm of Bradley, Curley, Barrabee & Kowalski P.C. for over thirty years. My dental and legal knowledge are multifaceted as I am uniquely qualified to discuss the legal requirements for the practice of dentistry as I represent dentists in litigated matter in court, before administrative agencies and I counsel dentists in business law matters. I have published two articles in the California Dental Association Journal on safety issues in the dental place and business law matters with a third article to be released just prior to this presentation on the legal pathway to dental practice ownership. Previously I made presentations on the California Dental Practice Act and business law matters at California Dental Association conventions and before local dental societies. I have presented yearly courses on business law matters to the dental students at University of the Pacific Dental School and guest seminars at UCSF on dental and business law matters.

NOTE: This two-hour course satisfy re-licensure requirement for dentists, hygienists and assistants.