

WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY POSITION ON DENTAL & DENTAL HYGIENE COMPACTS

New Statement 10.26.2024

The West Virginia Board of Dentistry has reviewed information concerning compacts of both, the Council of State Governments (CSG) and the American Association of Dental Boards Interstate Dental and Dental Hygiene Licensure Compact (IDDLIC). The Board has two primary concerns as it pertains to those individuals seeking licensure in West Virginia. The Board feels strongly that the authority to regulate the profession in West Virginia falls squarely on the shoulders of the West Virginia Board of Dentistry as mandated by Legislature and appointed by the Governor. Secondly, through years of experience, we strongly feel a hands-on skill component through a national clinical board exam should be required for initial licensure.

The West Virginia Board of Dentistry favors the IDDLIC compact because we feel it best addresses our two primary concerns.

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The Board will take the facts of each of the dental compacts into consideration and delay any decision or support until they are fully operational. The Board has reservations concerning the clinical assessment language, legal ramifications of interstate commerce, as well as possible financial and budgetary impact.

Original Statement 7.21.2023

The Board will take facts on the compact into consideration and delay decision on support of participation until the compact is in operation for a period of time. The Board has reservations concerning the clinical assessment language, legal ramifications of interstate commerce and financial and budgetary concerns.