



May 28, 2020

*Sent electronically.*

Coalition of Graduating Dental Students, the California Dental School Deans, the California Dental Association (CDA), and the CDA Dental Student Delegation Chair  
c/o Mary McCune, Legislative and Regulatory Advocate  
California Dental Association  
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**Subject: Dental Board of California Acceptance of WREB and ADEX Manikin-Based Examinations**

Dear Coalition of Graduating Dental Students, the California Dental School Deans, the California Dental Association (CDA), and the CDA Dental Student Delegation Chair:

The purpose of this letter is to respond to your correspondence dated May 1, 2020 regarding your interpretation that neither action by the Dental Board of California (Board) or a waiver request submitted to the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) is required to accept the manikin-based Western Regional Examining Board (WREB) and American Board of Dental Examiners (ADEX) examinations for dentist licensure in California.

The Board will accept, without any further action necessary, the WREB and ADEX manikin-based examinations for dentist licensure in California, in accordance with Business and Professions Code Sections 1632(c)(2)(A) and 1632(c)(2)(B). While the DCA Office of Professional Examination Services (OPES) is not required to complete its review of these examinations prior to their acceptance for dentist licensure in California, the OPES has committed to complete its review of the WREB and ADEX manikin-based examinations by the end of June, assuming all necessary reports are provided to OPES from WREB and ADEX to ensure they are valid and legally defensible. Therefore, no further Board action or waiver request is necessary.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Karen M. Fischer".

Karen M. Fischer, MPA  
Executive Officer

cc: Members of the Dental Board of California  
Kimberly Kirchmeyer, Director, Department of Consumer Affairs