REPORT OF THE REVIEW COMMITTEE ON PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY 
EDUCATION TO THE COMMISSION ON DENTAL ACCREDITATION

Committee Chair: Dr. Joel Berg. Committee Members: Dr. Martin Donaldson, Dr. Cynthia Hipp, Dr. Kevin Haubrick, Dr. Joseph Morales, and Dr. Janice Townsend. Guests (Open Session Only): Dr. Jeffrey A. Dean, executive director, American Board of Pediatric Dentistry. Staff Members: Ms. Peggy Soeldner, manager, Advanced Dental Education and Ms. Bridget Blackwood, senior project assistant, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). The meeting of the Review Committee on Pediatric Dentistry Education (PED RC) was held on January 7, 2020 via telephone conference call.

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS RELATED TO PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY 
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Report on Pediatric Dentistry Programs Annual Survey Curriculum Section (p. 1200): The Review Committee on Pediatric Dentistry Education (PED RC) noted that the Annual Survey Curriculum Section is reviewed during the Winter Review Committee meeting in the year the survey will be distributed; which will next occur in 2020. The PED RC considered its discipline-specific Annual Survey Curriculum Section (Appendix 1, Policy Report p. 1200).

The PED RC reviewed the Annual Survey Curriculum Section and noted a few questions that may need further study. However, since revisions to the Pediatric Dentistry Accreditation Standards are being circulated for public comment until June 1, 2020, the PED RC believed further review of the Annual Survey Curriculum Section following completion of the revision process is warranted. Therefore, the PED RC believed the Annual Survey Curriculum Section should be retained with no changes for use in Fall 2020.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Commission on Dental Accreditation direct the Pediatric Dentistry Annual Survey Curriculum Section (Appendix 1, Policy Report p. 1200) be retained with no changes for use in Fall 2020.

Consideration of the Use of the Term “Should” Within the Accreditation Standards (p. 1201): At its Summer 2019 meeting, the Commission directed the revision or addition, as applicable, of the definition of “Should,” within the Definition of Terms used by the Commission in the Accreditation Standards for all disciplines within the Commission’s purview, with consideration of this change in Winter 2020, and application within a time frame to correlate with other revision activities.

At this meeting, the Review Committee on Pediatric Dentistry Education (PED RC) reviewed the use of the term “Should” within the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Pediatric Dentistry (Appendix 1, Policy Report p. 1201) and noted that the revised definition of “Should” does not appear to have an impact on the Accreditation Standards. However, as noted previously, proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Pediatric Dentistry are currently being circulated for public review.
and comment until June 1, 2020; comments received will be considered at the Summer 2020 meeting. Therefore, the PED RC will further review its Standards related to the revision of “Should” in Summer 2020 with a report to the Commission’s Summer 2020 meeting.

**Recommendation:** This report is informational in nature and no action is required.

**CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS RELATING TO MORE THAN ONE REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Matters related to more than one review committee are included in a separate report.

**CONSIDERATION OF SITE VISITOR APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMISSION ON DENTAL ACCREDITATION IN THE AREA OF PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY EDUCATION**

The Review Committee on Pediatric Dentistry Education considered site visitor appointments for 2020-2021. The Committee’s recommendations on the appointments of individuals are included in a separate report.

**CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS RELATED TO ACCREDITATION STATUS**

Matters related to accreditation status of programs are included in a separate report.

Respectfully submitted,

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