REPORT OF THE REVIEW COMMITTEE ON ADVANCED EDUCATION IN GENERAL DENTISTRY, GENERAL PRACTICE RESIDENCY, DENTAL ANESTHESIOLOGY, ORAL MEDICINE AND OROFACIAL PAIN EDUCATION TO THE COMMISSION ON DENTAL ACCREDITATION

Report on Advanced Education in General Dentistry, General Practice Residency, Dental Anesthesiology, Oral Medicine and Orofacial Pain Annual Survey Curriculum Section (Page 200): The Review Committee on Advanced Education in General Dentistry, General Practice Residency, Dental Anesthesiology, Oral Medicine and Orofacial Pain (AGDOO 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. At this meeting, the AGDOO RC considered its discipline-specific Annual Survey Curriculum Sections (Appendices 1, 2, 3, and 4, Policy Report p. 200).

Through discussion, the AGDOO RC noted that the questions on the Annual Survey Curriculum Sections for the disciplines under its purview generally correlate to each discipline’s Accreditation Standards and should be retained with no changes for use in Fall 2020.

However, for distribution of the Annual Survey Curriculum Section beyond Fall 2020, the AGDOO RC believed the Annual Survey Curriculum Section questions should be more specifically linked to the correlating Accreditation Standards, including the addition of the correlating Accreditation Standard number(s). The AGDOO RC believed adding this level of linkage specificity would assist programs in completing the Annual Survey Curriculum Section questions. The AGDOO RC also noted some of the questions in Annual Survey Curriculum Section may not clearly reflect the current Accreditation Standards and believed a more general review of the questions in the Annual Survey Curriculum Section should also be conducted. In order to complete a thorough review of the Annual Survey Curriculum Section for this purpose, the AGDOO RC believed a small workgroup composed of the current Dental Anesthesiology, Oral Medicine and Orofacial Pain discipline-specific review committee members, one (1) General Practice Residency review committee member, one (1) Advanced Education in General
Dentistry review committee member, and the review committee chair should be formed to further study the Annual Survey Curriculum Sections. The AGDOO RC noted that the workgroup could conduct meetings via tele-/web-conference; therefore, there would be no financial impact to the Commission. A report of the workgroup would be submitted for consideration at the Summer 2020 meeting of the RC and Commission.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Commission direct the Advanced Education in General Dentistry, General Practice Residency, Dental Anesthesiology, Oral Medicine and Orofacial Pain Annual Survey Curriculum Sections (Appendices 1, 2, 3, and 4, Policy Report p. 200) be retained with no changes for use in Fall 2020.

It is further recommended that the Commission, through the Chair, appoint a workgroup composed of the current Dental Anesthesiology, Oral Medicine and Orofacial Pain discipline-specific review committee members, one (1) General Practice Residency review committee member, one (1) Advanced Education in General Dentistry review committee member, and the review committee chair to further study the Advanced Education in General Dentistry, General Practice Residency, Dental Anesthesiology, Oral Medicine and Orofacial Pain Annual Survey Curriculum Sections with a report to the Commission at the Summer 2020 meeting.

**Consideration of the Use of the Term “Should” Within the Accreditation Standards (p. 201):** 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 AGDOO RC reviewed the use of the term “Should” within the Accreditation Standards under its purview (Appendices 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, Policy Report 201) and considered whether additional revisions to the Accreditation Standards are warranted as a result of the revised definition of the term “Should.”

The AGDOO RC concluded that the revision of the definition of “Should” does not compromise the interpretation or implementation of the Accreditation Standards under its purview and continues to support the Accreditation Standards as newly defined. Further, it allows appropriate guidance and flexibility to programs and appropriate direction to site visitors.

The AGDOO RC determined that no changes to the Accreditation Standards are required related to the “Should” statement, beyond updating the definition of “Should” within the Definition of Terms, as follows: *Should: Indicates a method to achieve the standard; highly desirable, but not mandatory.*

Following discussion, the AGDOO RC recommended that the revised Definition of Terms be adopted and implemented, effective immediately.
Recommendation: It is recommended that the Commission adopt the revision to the definition of “Should” as noted above within the Definition of Terms in the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Advanced Education in General Dentistry, General Practice Residency, Dental Anesthesiology, Oral Medicine and Orofacial Pain, effective immediately, with no further revision to the Standards at this time.

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 AREAS OF ADVANCED EDUCATION IN GENERAL DENTISTRY, GENERAL PRACTICE RESIDENCY, DENTAL ANESTHESIOLOGY, ORAL MEDICINE AND OROFACIAL PAIN EDUCATION

The Review Committee on Advanced Education in General Dentistry, General Practice Residency, Dental Anesthesiology, Oral Medicine and Orofacial Pain 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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