The National Commission on Recognition of Dental Specialties and Certifying Boards (NCRDSCB) met on March 11, 2019 at the ADA Headquarters Building in Chicago and took the following actions:

1. Report of the Standing Committee on Strategic Planning and Policy Review
   - Adopted revisions to the NCRDSCB Rules:
     o to clearly identify term lengths for commissioners
     o to allow for automatic succession of the vice-chair to the chair position
   - Adopted the revisions to the following policies:
     o Policy on Nomination of Public Members: to provide clarity in the nomination process of the public member
     o Confidentiality Policy: to allow for public notice that an application has been received
     o Policy on the Annual Report of the Certifying Boards: to properly identify all areas of information collected in the report
     o Application Process for Recognition of a Dental Specialty: to clarify verbal testimony, clearly outline public notice of an application and address the submission of two (2) or more applications from the same area of dentistry
     o Application Process for Recognition of a Dental Specialty Certifying Board: to provide clarify to the process and include the processes for public notification of an application, the submission of two (2) or more applications from the same area of dentistry, and provide examples of evidence of a close working relationship between the sponsoring organization and the certifying board
   - Adopted the National Commission’s mission, vision, and values statements attached as Appendix 1
   - Reviewed the revised Requirements for Recognition of Dental Specialties and National Certifying Boards for Dental Specialists approved by the 2018 House of Delegates
   - Reaffirmed that Dr. Charles Norman, chair and Dr. James Boyle, vice-chair will continue to serve until the end of the American Dental Association House of Delegates Annual Meeting in September 2019.

2. Report of the Standing Committee on Finance
   - Confirmed no changes to the 2019 fee sharing arrangement of the annual contribution for the dental specialty sponsoring organizations.
   - Reaffirmed the current $15,000 application fee for the new Specialty Sponsoring Organization, the $10,000 application fee for the new Certifying Boards, and the $10,000 Appeal/Reconsideration fee.
   - Approved the preliminary 2020 NCRDSCB budget for submission to the Budget & Finance Committee of the ADA Board of Trustees for consideration in the ADA 2020 budget process.
   - Denied the request of the Dental Specialty Group to release of 2018 end-of-year detailed summary of the 2018 budget versus actual expenses for the National Commission based on confidentiality.

3. Report of the Review Committee on Specialty on Recognition
   - Adopted the 2021 NCRDSCB Periodic Review of Dental Specialty Education and Practice survey tool and timeline with immediate implementation.
• Approved the request by the American Society of Dentist Anesthesiologists (ASDA) to recognize dental anesthesiology as a dental specialty.
• Approved the implementation of an electronic reporting tool for the NCRDSCB Periodic Review of Dental Specialty Education and Practice

4. Report of the Review Committee on Specialty Certifying Board Recognition
• Adopted the 2018 NCRDSCB Annual Report of the Recognized Dental Specialty Certifying Boards.
• Adopted the Application for Recognition of a Dental Specialty National Certifying Board with immediate implementation.
• Approved the implementation of an electronic reporting tool for the NCRDSCB Annual Survey of the Recognized Dental Specialty Certifying Boards.
• Adopted the 2019 NCRDSCB Annual Report of the Recognized Dental Specialty Certifying Boards.
• Adopted the 2020 NCRDSCB Annual Survey of the Recognized Dental Specialty Certifying Board with immediate implementation.

6. Supported proposed changes to the American Dental Association Bylaws, Governance and Operational Manual and Standing Rules for Councils and Commissions related to all Commissions.

7. Confirmed the next meeting dates of the National Commission will be March 2-3, 2020.

8. Elected Dr. James Boyle III, chair, and Dr. Alan Friedel, vice-chair, for the 2019-2020 term.

NCRDSCB Members: Dr. Charles Norman (chair); Dr. Wayne Aldredge, Dr. Don Altman, Dr. Joseph Battaglia, Dr. James Benz, Dr. James Boyle (vice-chair), Dr. Renee Broughten, Dr. Ralph Cooley, Dr. Robert Delarosa, Dr. Alan Friedel, Dr. Anita Gohel, Dr. Kevin Henner, Dr. Denise Hering, Dr. William Johnson, Dr. Roger Kiesling, Dr. Andrew Kwasny, Dr. Frank Tuminelli, Dr. John Wright, Dr. Mark Zust

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VISION:

The National Commission on Recognition of Dental Specialties and Certifying Boards is accepted to be the standard of excellence in the recognition of the dental specialties and dental specialty certifying boards.

VALUES:

Objectivity
Integrity
Transparency
Consistency