



STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY RENEWAL GUIDE

Instructions to Renew:

Renewals are available approximately 60 days prior to the license expiration date. You will receive an email notification when your renewal is available.

STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY – Licenses, Permits and Certificates Expire March 31, 2021

PENNSYLVANIA LICENSING SYSTEM (PALS)

We've upgraded our online licensing system.

Go to www.pals.pa.gov to renew your license.

LOGIN

- You can login using your user ID and password from the previous renewal.
- Use the User ID and Password recovery links if you forget your login information.
- You will be asked to verify and update account information during your first login.

RENEW

- From your PALS Dashboard, click the "Renew" box located at the top of your screen to be directed to the renewal application.
- Please note that documentation to certain questions must be uploaded with the application prior to submission.
- Click "Continue" to review your application and "Add to Cart". Proceed through the payment process to submit the renewal application to the Board.

VERIFY

- You will receive an email confirming that your license is renewed.
- Paper licenses will arrive in the mail in approximately 10-15 business days.
- Employers can verify the status of your license online at www.pals.pa.gov/verify.

HELPFUL INFORMATION

▲ Users can visit the Support Tab for answers to Frequently Asked Questions by clicking on *Support* located in the blue bar above the sign-in area.

CONTINUING EDUCATION AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS FOR RENEWAL

Dentist

- ✓ Fee: \$263
- ✓ If actively practicing dentistry in Pennsylvania, professional liability insurance required.
- ✓ Current Infant, Child and Adult CPR.

CE Requirement

- ✓ 30 hours of Board-approved continuing education (exempt if initial license issued 4/1/19 – 3/31/21)
- ✓ 2 hours of Act 31 Mandated Child Abuse Reporter Training from an approved provider (No exemption)
- ✓ 2 hours of Act 124 Opioid continuing education (If you do not have a DEA registration and do not use another person or entity's DEA registration to prescribe any controlled substances, you do not need to complete the Opioid CE.)

Restricted Faculty

- ✓ Fee: \$263
- ✓ Professional liability insurance is required.
- ✓ Current Infant, Child and Adult CPR.

CE Requirement

- ✓ 30 hours of Board-approved continuing education. (No exemption.)
- ✓ 2 hours of Act 31 Mandated Child Abuse Reporter Training from an approved provider (No exemption)
- ✓ 2 hours of Act 124 Opioid continuing education (If you do not have a DEA registration and do not use another person or entity's DEA registration to prescribe any controlled substances, you do not need to complete the Opioid CE.)

Anesthesia - Unrestricted and Restricted I

- ✓ Fee: \$210
- ✓ Clinical evaluation/Office inspection through PSOMS within the last 6 years (PSOMS 215-394-7284 or AnesthesiaEvaluation@PAaneseval.org.)
- ✓ Current ACLS certification if treating adult patients utilizing general anesthesia, deep sedation, conscious sedation and/or nitrous oxide/oxygen analgesia.
- ✓ Current PALS certification if treating pediatric patients utilizing general anesthesia, deep sedation, conscious sedation and/or nitrous oxide/oxygen analgesia.

CE Requirement

- ✓ Unrestricted - 15 hours of Board-approved continuing education in courses related to general anesthesia and deep sedation (no exemption)
- ✓ Restricted I – 15 hours of Board-approved continuing education courses related to conscious sedation. (No exemption)

Anesthesia - Restricted II

- ✓ Fee: \$53
- ✓ No c.e. requirement

Dental Hygienist

- ✓ Fee: \$42
- ✓ Current Infant, Child and Adult CPR.

CE Requirement

- ✓ 20 hours of Board-approved continuing education (exempt if initial license issued 4/1/19 – 3/31/21)
- ✓ 2 hours of Act 31 Mandated Child Abuse Reporter Training from an approved provider (No exemption)

Dental Hygiene Local Anesthesia

✓ Fee: \$42

CE Requirement

✓ 3 hours of Board-approved continuing education related to the administration of local anesthesia, including pharmacology. (No exemption)

Public Health Dental Hygiene Practitioner

✓ Fee: \$42

✓ professional liability insurance must be maintained to hold an active certificate.

CE Requirement

✓ 5 hours of Board-approved continuing education in public health related courses. (No exemption)

Expanded Function Dental Assistant

✓ Fee: \$26

✓ Current Infant, Child and Adult CPR.

CE Requirement

✓ 10 hours of Board-approved continuing education (exempt if initial license issued 4/1/19 – 3/31/21)

✓ 2 hours of Act 31 Mandated Child Abuse Reporter Training from an approved provider (No exemption)

Expanded Function Dental Assistant Program

✓ Fee: \$100

For Your Information

- ✓ CPR cannot be applied toward fulfillment of the c.e. requirements.
- ✓ Due to COVID-19 Dentists, Dental Hygienists and Expanded Function Dental Assistants may take an online CPR training class in lieu of in-person training to renew their CPR certification, which will be accepted as meeting the CPR requirement for the biennial renewal ending March 31, 2021. Anesthesia Unrestricted and Restricted Permit I permit holders required to hold current ACLS and/or PALS certification for renewal who are unable to attend a live, in-person ACLS and/or PALS recertification program may attend an online ACLS and/or PALS recertification program. However, permit holders who do so must obtain a live, in-person ACLS and/or PALS recertification within 90 days from the date the emergency declaration is lifted.
- ✓ Due to COVID-19 licensees are permitted to renew their license at their next renewal utilizing CE obtained through either traditional, in-person courses or by means of distance learning. This means that licensees may satisfy up to 100 percent of their CE requirements for their renewal with hours obtained entirely through online courses from providers of distance education that meet the board's continuing education requirements.
- ✓ Refer to the Board's Law and Regulations at www.dos.pa.gov/dent for more specific information related to course content, approved program sponsors, etc.
- ✓ Credits must be completed within the biennial period. This biennial period is defined as April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2021.
- ✓ Professional Liability Insurance requirement for dentists, restricted faculty and public health dental hygiene practitioners is one million per occurrence and three million per annual aggregate.