



# BOARD OF DENTISTRY BASICS

## THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

The Board licenses and regulates dentists, dental hygienists, and dental radiographers in Florida.

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The Florida Board of Dentistry and the Florida Dental Association are separate entities, each with different roles. The Board is the entity responsible for licensure and regulation of dentists in Florida.

## AFTER LICENSURE - CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE) REQUIREMENTS

Dentists must complete 30 hours of approved CE each biennium, which is March 1 of each even year to February 28 of the next even year. Required courses include 2 hours on Prescribing Controlled Substances, 2 hours of Prevention of Medical Errors, and 2 hours of Domestic Violence every third biennium and current CPR certification.

**First Biennium Renewal:** If you are newly licensed and renewing your license for the first time you are only required to complete 2 hours of Prescribing Controlled Substances and 2 hours of HIV/AIDS.

## ADDITIONAL KEY INFORMATION

- **RENEWALS:** All CE courses are tracked through CE Broker. All licensees must submit courses to CE Broker at [www.CEBroker.com](http://www.CEBroker.com) in order to renew their license. All required CE's must be complete and renewal fees paid no later than February 28 of each even year.
- **LICENSE VERIFICATIONS:** Florida license verifications are completed through Licensure Services, not the board office. You may request verification of your Florida license by visiting, <http://www.floridahealth.gov/licensing-and-regulation/public-records/certification/index.html>.
- **ADDRESS UPDATES:** All licensees are required to update their address with **10 days** in writing or online.

## APPLICATION PROCESS (BOARD ROLE)

To assist you in obtaining a Florida dental license, the following steps are suggested. Completing these steps in the order listed will facilitate an efficient licensure process. Please do not apply prior to your degree completion.

1. Electronic submission of NBDE scores – contact the ADA to request part I and II be sent to Florida; ADEX scores – you do not have to pay the CDCA to mail your scores; and Florida Laws and Rules Exam scores. **ADEX scores are valid for 365 days.**
2. Submission of official, final transcripts
3. Complete the application online at: <http://flhealthsource.gov/mqa-services>. When you complete this application, be sure to upload a copy of your CPR certification.
4. If you have any criminal or disciplinary history, upload your supporting documentation with your online application.

## ADDITIONAL APPLICATION INFORMATION

The ADEX and Florida Laws and Rules exam is administered by the CDCA. Visit <http://www.cdcaexams.org> to register and view candidate manuals.

Transcripts must be sent from the school and include the graduation date and degree earned. We will not accept transcripts that were issued to the student.