

## **22 TAC §110.13 - PREOPERATIVE CHECKLIST FOR SEDATION AND ANESTHESIA**

The Texas State Board of Dental Examiners adopts new rule §110.13, relating to a required preoperative checklist for sedation and anesthesia. This rule is adopted with a minor change to the proposed text as published in the February 2, 2018, issue of the Texas Register (43 TexReg 530). The change will clarify that the checklist can be either a paper or electronic record. The board is not submitting this change for re-proposal because it does not affect the rule whatsoever, it merely clarifies it.

New rule §110.13 provides that licensees must complete a preoperative checklist prior to administering nitrous or levels 1, 2, 3, or 4 sedation/anesthesia to a patient. The checklist must contain at least the specified components in the rule and must be maintained in the patient's records. The Board received comments from the Texas Dental Association and the Texas Academy of General Dentistry, both of which support the rule as drafted.

Rule §110.13 is adopted under Texas Occupations Code §254.001(a). The Board interprets §254.001(a) to give the Board authority to adopt rules necessary to perform its duties and ensure compliance with state law relating to the practice of dentistry to protect the public health and safety. No other statutes, articles, or codes are affected by the rule.

§110.13. Required Preoperative Checklist for Administration of Nitrous Oxide and Levels 1, 2, 3, and 4 Sedation/Anesthesia.

- (a) A dentist administering nitrous oxide or Level 1, 2, 3, or 4 sedation/anesthesia must create and maintain in the patient's dental records required by rule 108.8, a document titled "preoperative sedation/anesthesia checklist" that is completed by the dentist prior to commencing a procedure for which the dentist will administer nitrous oxide or Level 1, 2, 3, or 4 sedation/anesthesia. The checklist may be paper or electronic.
- (b) A dentist delegating the administration of sedation/anesthesia to another provider in accordance with Section 258.001(4) of the Act, must maintain in the patient's dental records required by rule 108.8, a document titled "preoperative sedation/anesthesia checklist" that is completed by the sedation/anesthesia provider prior to commencing a procedure for which the dentist has delegated another provider to administer the sedation/anesthesia. The checklist may be paper or electronic.
- (c) At a minimum, the preoperative checklist must include documentation of the following for each level of sedation/anesthesia:
  - (1) Medical history, including documentation of the following:
    - (A) review of patient medical history;
    - (B) review of patient allergies;
    - (C) review of patient surgical and/or anesthesia history;
    - (D) review of family surgical and/or anesthesia history; and
    - (E) review of patient medications and any modifications.
  - (2) Confirmation that written and verbal preoperative and post-operative instructions were delivered to the patient, parent, legal guardian, or care-giver;

- (3) Medical consults, as needed;
  - (4) Physical examination, including documentation of the following:
    - (A) American Society of Anesthesiologists Physical Status Classification (ASA) classification;
    - (B) NPO status; and
    - (C) Preoperative vitals, including height, weight, blood pressure, pulse rate, and respiration rate;
  - (5) Anesthesia-specific physical examination including documentation of the following:
    - (A) Airway assessment, including Mallampati score and/or Brodsky score; and
    - (B) Auscultation;
  - (6) Confirmation of pre-procedure equipment readiness check;
  - (7) Confirmation of pre-procedure treatment review (correct patient and procedure);
  - (8) Special preoperative considerations as indicated for sedation/anesthesia administered to pediatric or high-risk patients; and
  - (9) Documentation of reason for omission of any item required by subsection (c) of this section.
- (d) The information required above may be gathered at any time, but the dentist administering the sedation/anesthesia must verify that the information is current and correct prior to the administration of sedation/anesthesia.

The agency certifies that legal counsel has reviewed the adoption and found it to be a valid exercise of the agency's legal authority. Filed with the Office of the Secretary of State on April 20, 2018. TRD-201801753 Tyler Vance Interim Executive Director State Board of Dental Examiners Effective date: May 10, 2018 Proposal publication date: February 2, 2018 For further information, please call: (512) 475-0977