

**State of Connecticut
Connecticut State Dental Commission**

Notice of Hearing

The Connecticut State Dental Commission will hold a hearing on August 5, 2020, for the purpose of issuing a declaratory ruling.

The subject of the declaratory ruling is as follows:

- 1 Is it within a dentist's scope of practice to dispense unattended cardiorespiratory portable monitors (hereinafter "portable monitors") when ordered by physicians for patients at risk for sleep apnea and the test results are provided to a physician for interpretation and diagnosis?
- 2 Is it within a dentist's scope of practice to order portable monitors for patients identified by the dentist as being at risk for sleep apnea and the test results are provided to a physician for interpretation and diagnosis?
3. Is it within a dentist's scope of practice to use a portable monitor to help determine the optimal effective position of a patient's oral appliance?
4. If a dentist does not use a portable monitor to determine the optimal effective position of a patient's oral appliance, is it within a dentist's scope of practice to order a portable monitor to verify the effectiveness of the oral appliance and the test results are provided to a physician for interpretation and a determination of therapeutic effectiveness?

The hearing will be held by video conference, commencing at 9:30 a.m. The details for connecting to the hearing will be provided 3-5 days prior to the hearing by contacting the Department of Public Health, Public Health Hearing Office at phho.dph@ct.gov and will be posted to the Commission's webpage at <https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Public-Health-Hearing-Office/Connecticut-State-Dental-Commission/Connecticut-State-Dental-Commission>.

The Connecticut State Dental Commission ("the Commission") has prepared this notice in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedure Act ("UAPA"), Connecticut General Statute § 4-166 *et seq.*, and specifically Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4-176.

By law, a declaratory ruling constitutes a statement of agency law which is binding upon those who participate in the hearing and may also be utilized by the Connecticut State Dental Commission, on a case by case basis, in future proceedings before it.

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