

Article XXIV: Adverse Events Reporting

“Morbidity” and “Mortality” defined; Reporting Requirements.

(1) As used in this rule:

(a) “Morbidity” means an incident that results in mental or physical impairment which is related to or results from a dental procedure, administration of local anesthesia, oral conscious sedation, intravenous sedation, or general anesthesia.

(b) “Mortality: means an incident that results in a death related to a dental procedure, administration of local anesthesia, oral conscious sedation, intravenous sedation, or general anesthesia.

(2) A dentist shall file a morbidity report with the board within 30 days after the occurrence or such a time as the dentist becomes aware of or reasonably should have become aware of the incident. This includes the hospitalization of a dental patient, as a possible consequence of receiving dental services from the reporting dentist. Hospitalization shall be defined as an examination at a hospital or emergency medical facility that results in an in-patient admission for the purpose of treatment or monitoring.

(3) A dentist shall file a mortality report with the board within 5 days after the occurrence of a death, or such time as the dentist becomes aware or reasonably should have become aware of the death.

(4) A dentist who fails to file a report as required by this rule and the board is in violation of Article XXIV of the Rules and Regulations and is subject to all penalties and fines associated with this violation.