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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

M.BRANDT BOWER, D.D.S.

: FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

FOR REMEDIAL EDUCATION

ORDER 0002246

Division of Legal Services and Compliance¹ Case No. 11 DEN 069

The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

M. Brandt Bower, D.D.S 784 South Main Street Hartford, WI 53027

Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Department of Safety and Professional Services P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Dentistry Examining Board (Board). The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. M. Brandt Bower, D.D.S., ("Respondent") was born on April 17, 1944 and is licensed to practice as a dentist in the State of Wisconsin (license #5000876-15). This license was first granted on May 26, 1971 and is current through September 30, 2013. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board is 784 South Main Street, Hartford, Wisconsin.

¹ The Division of Legal Services and Compliance was formerly known as the Division of Enforcement.

- 2. At all times relevant to this action, Respondent practiced as a dentist at his own clinic, located in Hartford, Wisconsin.
- 3. On October 9, 2008, Patient A presented for dental implants after a Class IV fracture in teeth #'s 8 and 9. Respondent presented, as one of several treatment options, extraction of the fractured teeth and insertion of mini-implants with crowns and a temporary splinted bridge.
- 4. Respondent recommended extraction of the fractured teeth and insertion of mini-implants with crowns and bonding of the temporary splinted bridge.
- 5. Immediately after the fractured teeth were extracted, Respondent proceeded with insertion of mini-implants and bonding of the temporary splinted bridge.
- 6. Mini-implants are suitable primarily in denture cases but may be used in crown fabrication in limited circumstances. Because of its significantly smaller diameter, a mini-implant requires more stability than what an extraction socket offers.
- 7. On August 12, 2009, Patient A presented to her general dentist with complaints of pain and swelling in the anterior maxillary right vestibule above the lateral incisor and was referred to Dr. G.J. on August 18, 2009.
- 8. Radiographic examination revealed radiolucency around the entire implant in tooth #8. The implant on tooth #9 was protruding through a marked amount of granulation tissue. The failed implants were removed immediately.
- 9. Patient A's case was incompatible with the use of mini-implants. Miniimplants may have been acceptable had ample time been given to allow the extraction sockets to fill in.
- 10. As a result of Respondent's case selection for placement of mini-implants, Patient A expended time and capital for a transitory dental restoration that was significantly more likely to fail than other treatment options.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

ORDER

- 1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.
- 2. Within 6 months of the date of this Order, M. Brandt Bower, D.D.S., shall at Licensee's own expense take and successfully complete eight (8) hours of education in treatment planning for dental implants and four (4) hours in case selection for dental implants as follows:

- a. Each course attended in satisfaction of this Order must be pre-approved by the Board or its designee. Licensee shall be responsible for locating course(s) satisfactory to the Board and for obtaining the required approval of the courses from the Board or its designee. Licensee must take and pass any exam offered for the course(s).
- b. Licensee shall submit proof of successful completion of the education in the form of verification from the institution providing the education to the Department Monitor at the address stated below. None of the education completed pursuant to this requirement may be used to satisfy any continuing education requirements that have been or may be instituted by the Board or Department.
- 3. Within 90 days from the date of this Order, Licensee shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$1,300.00.
- 4. Proof of successful course completion and payment of costs (made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services) shall be sent by Licensee to the Department Monitor at the address below:

Department Monitor
Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

- 5. Violation of any of the terms of this Order may be construed as conduct imperiling public health, safety and welfare and may result in a summary suspension of Licensee's license. The Board in its discretion may in the alternative impose additional conditions and limitations for a violation of any of the terms of this Order. In the event Licensee fails to timely submit payment of the costs as ordered or fails to submit proof of successful completion of the ordered education as set forth above, Licensee's license (license #5000876-15) may, in the discretion of the Board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Licensee has complied with payment of the costs and completion of the education.
 - 6. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD

by: ______

A Member of the Board

Date