Dear Licensee,

As of Saturday, March 28, at 5:00 p.m., a revised order issued by the Governor and the Alabama Department of Public Health goes into effect.

The order extends until April 17 at 5:00 p.m., prior to which a determination will be made whether to extend or relax the order. The order states:

> **Effective March 28, 2020 at 5:00 P.M., all dental, medical, or surgical procedures shall be postponed until further notice, subject to the following exceptions:**
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> - **a. Dental, medical, or surgical procedures necessary to treat an emergency medical condition. For purposes of this order, "emergency medical condition" is defined as a medical condition manifesting itself by acute symptoms of sufficient severity (including severe pain, psychiatric disturbances, and/or symptoms of substance abuse) such that the absence of immediate medical attention could reasonably be expected by a person's licensed medical provider to result in placing the health of the person in serious jeopardy or causing serious impairment to bodily functions or serious dysfunction of bodily organs.**
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> - **b. Dental, medical, or surgical procedures necessary to avoid serious harm from an underlying condition or disease, or necessary as part of a patient's ongoing and active treatment.**

The full text of the order is here.

The order mandates that the ADHP Instructor Certification Class scheduled for April 17, 2020, at Joe Wheeler State Park be postponed. Once the restrictions are lifted, we will reschedule.

Sincerely,
Board of Dental Examiners of Alabama