

**GEORGIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY**  
**Teledentistry Committee Virtual Conference Call**  
**April 6, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. Minutes**

**Committee Members Present:**

Dr. Michael Knight, Sr., Chair  
Dr. David Reznik, President  
Ms. Lisa Selfe

**Staff Present:**

Clint Joiner, Executive Director  
Stacy Altman, Deputy Director – Investigations  
Angela C. Johnson, Board Support

**Members Not Present:**

Dr. Don Spillers, Jr.

Dr. Larry W. Miles, Jr.

**Visitors:**

Jon Hoin, GDA  
Anita LaTourette, GDHA  
Amber Doucette, GDHA  
Dan Ta, AADO  
Kathy Starr, GDHA  
April Cavender, Oak Dental Partners

Iris Mason, GDHA  
Elizabeth Lewis, DPH  
Quintina Clark, GDHA  
Ashley Johnson  
Wanda Hill, GDHA

**Abbreviations:**

DPH, Georgia Department of Public Health  
DCG, Dental College of Georgia  
GDA, Georgia Dental Association  
GA DRN, Georgia Dental Recovery Network

GDHA, Georgia Dental Hygiene Association  
GSO, Georgia School of Orthodontics  
ADSO, Association of Dental Support Organizations  
AADO, American Association of Orthodontics

**Open Session**

Dr. Knight established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

The Teledentistry Committee met to discuss implementation of Georgia’s new teledentistry statute and to develop corresponding rules and administrative processes.

**Approval of Minutes**

Dr. Reznik made a motion to approve the Public Session minutes from the January 28, 2026 meeting. Ms. Selfe seconded, and the Committee voted in favor of the motion.

Dr. Reznik made a motion to approve the Public Session minutes from the February 4, 2026 meeting. Ms. Selfe seconded, and the Committee voted in favor of the motion.

There were no Executive Session minutes for either meeting.

**Discussion on O.C.G.A. § 43-11-54 Requirements and limitations of teledentistry**

The Committee reviewed proposed draft rules regarding the requirements and limitations of teledentistry. Director Joiner confirmed the most current draft was available in SharePoint for review, and the Committee discussed recent additions to the draft rules.

It was noted that there is public confusion regarding what constitutes teledentistry. The Committee clarified that routine patient follow-up communications (e.g., post-procedure check-ins or orthodontic monitoring between in-person visits) do not constitute teledentistry.

Dr. Reznik further described teledentistry as a method of delivering care, primarily intended to increase access to care in underserved or limited-access areas, through real-time communication technologies under general supervision.

Director Joiner reviewed the statutory definition of teledentistry, emphasizing the use of synchronous, real-time communication in conjunction with store-and-forward technology, and that

teledentistry does not replace an in-person clinical examination.

Dr. Elizabeth Lewis, a representative from the Department of Public Health, requested clarification regarding the definition and scope of “protocol agreements,” as well as the distinction between teledentistry and the use of technology to support general supervision. The Committee acknowledged the need for additional clarity in distinguishing these concepts within the rules.

The Committee also discussed technology and compliance with statutory requirements, including the use of HIPAA-compliant technologies when providing teledentistry services. It was noted that this requirement is addressed in statute and may not need to be repeated in rule.

The Committee further discussed provisions related to orthodontic treatment and teledentistry. It was emphasized that teledentistry should not be used to provide orthodontic treatment or deliver appliances without appropriate in-person evaluation. Additionally, monitoring patients between in-person visits using videographic technology should not be considered teledentistry.

The Committee agreed to revise the draft language to ensure applicability across all dentists, rather than limiting it to orthodontists. Director Joiner updated the draft language accordingly during the meeting in SharePoint (e.g., replacing “orthodontist” with “dentist,” where appropriate).

Dr. Reznik made a motion to present the proposed rule language at the next full Board meeting scheduled for Friday, April 10, 2026. Ms. Selfe seconded, and the Committee voted in favor of the motion.

Dr. Reznik suggested developing a fact sheet or guidance document to clarify what constitutes teledentistry and what does not. The Committee agreed to further discuss this matter at the full Board meeting.

Dr. Reznik made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Selfe seconded, and the Committee voted in favor of the motion.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Angela C. Johnson, Board Administrative Secretary  
Edited by J. Clinton Joiner, II, Executive Director