

Texas Temporary License for Charitable Purpose

(For Out-of-State Dentists Volunteering in Texas)

Purpose:

Allows licensed dentists from other U.S. states to provide *volunteer, uncompensated dental care* in Texas during charitable events (e.g., TMOM).

Eligibility

Dentist must:

- Hold a **DDS or DMD** from an **ADA-accredited** dental school.
 - Be **currently licensed** in another U.S. state or have held a license in good standing **within the last two years**.
 - Have **no disciplinary actions** (past or pending).
 - Have passed the **National Board Dental Exam** or an equivalent exam.
 - Be from a state with **licensing requirements similar to Texas**.
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Restrictions

- May **only** provide *volunteer/charity care* (no payment or compensation).
 - License is valid **only for the event location and dates** listed in the application.
 - May administer **local anesthesia only**, unless a Texas anesthesia permit is obtained.
 - Must have a plan for **emergency care, patient records, and continuity of care**.
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Application Process

1. **Complete** the “**Temporary Licensure for Charitable Purpose**” form from the [Texas State Board of Dental Examiners \(TSBDE\)](#).
2. **Include:**
 - Verification of all dental licenses held (sent directly from licensing boards).
 - **NPDB self-query report** (sealed, dated within 60 days).

- Event details: sponsoring organization, location, and dates.
 - Description of emergency procedures, patient record system, and follow-up care plan.
3. **Submit** the complete packet to TSBDE **at least 60 days before** the event.
 4. **Await approval** before providing any dental services in Texas.
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Duration

- Valid **only for the specific charitable event** and timeframe approved by TSBDE.
- Must reapply for each new event.