

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF:

TIFFNEY A. FOUSHEE, R.D.H.
(License Number 5548)

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**ORDER SUMMARILY
SUSPENDING LICENSE**

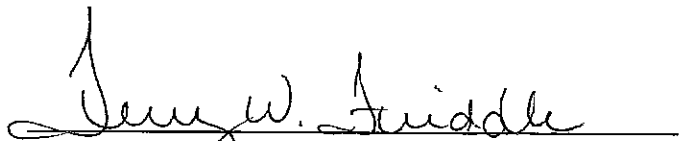
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-3(c), the North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners (Board) finds that the public health, safety and welfare requires emergency action and hereby summarily suspends License Number 5548 issued to Tiffney A. Foushee, R.D.H. (Respondent), effective upon service of this Order. This action is being taken based on evidence that on January 4, 2008, Respondent presented to the office of the Caring Dental Professionals (CDP) reporting an extensive history of cocaine and alcohol use. Respondent indicated that she is currently on probation and driving without an operator's license. Respondent was arrested for a DWI on December 30, 2004 and convicted on February 21, 2006. Respondent was charged with a second DWI on January 24, 2006. The outcome of the January 24, 2006 DWI is still pending a court decision. Respondent failed to report her arrests on her application for renewal of her dental hygiene license. Based on the information above, the CDP recommended that Respondent present to Talbott Recovery Center (Talbott) for an evaluation and initial treatment. Respondent signed an evaluation agreement with the CDP and agreed to present to Talbott on January 7, 2008. Respondent failed to present to Talbott.

Respondent's failure to present to Talbott constituted a violation of the terms of her contract with the North Carolina Caring Dental Professionals program. It is the Board's opinion that Respondent constitutes a threat to the public health, safety and welfare. Therefore, Respondent shall immediately cease the practice of dental hygiene in North Carolina and surrender her license and current renewal certificate pending further order of the Board.

Respondent has a right to a formal hearing before the North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners. This matter will be heard by the Board at the next available Board meeting in Morrisville, North Carolina. Respondent will be served with a Notice of Hearing in accordance with G.S. 150B-38(b) scheduling the hearing and containing the allegations to be heard.

This the 10th day of January, 2008.

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE
BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Terry W. Friddle", is written over a horizontal line.

Terry W. Friddle
Deputy Operations Officer