

**STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS,
BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS**

**MINUTES OF MEETING
SEPTEMBER 12, 2008**

By authority of AS 08.01.070(2) and AS 08.36.040 and in compliance with the provisions of Article 6 of AS 44.62, a scheduled meeting of the Board of Dental Examiners was held September 12, 2008, at the Legislative Information Office, 1292 Sadler Way, Fairbanks, Alaska.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. David Eichler, Chairman at 8:35 a.m.

Roll Call

Those present, constituting a quorum of the board, were:

Dr. David Eichler, Chairman – Fairbanks
Dr. William Gerace, – Anchorage
Dr. Kevin Gottlieb – Anchorage
Cheryl Fellenberg – Dental Hygienist – Wasilla
Vicki Hauff – Dental Hygienist – Anchorage
Dr. Arne Pihl - Ketchikan
Dr. Newell Walther – Wasilla
Gregory Gursey – Public Member – Anchorage

Those absent and excused:

Dr. Rebecca Neslund – Anchorage

In attendance from the Division of Corporations, Business & Professional Licensing, Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development were:

Brenda Donohue, Licensing Examiner – Juneau

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Agenda Item 1 – Review Agenda

Dr. Eichler asked to review the Agenda. Ms. Donohue noted the additions to the Agenda as follows:

Item 4 – BUDGET REPORT

- Budget Report
- Renewal Fees Analysis

Item 6 – MISC CORRESPONDENCE

- Email from Arthur J. Nowak, DMD of AM. Board of Pediatric Dentistry
- WREB 2009 Meeting Dates
- WREB 2009 Examiner Preference Packets

Item 9 – REGULATIONS

- ADS proposed regulations to implement HB319

Item 14 – NEW/OLD BUSINESS

- Dental Specialty License Application
 - Review Questions 13, 14 and 17

Agenda Item 2 – Review Minutes

Following review of the June 27, 2008 meeting minutes, Dr. Eichler asked for a motion to approve.

Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Pihl, seconded by Dr. Gottlieb and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to approve the June 27, 2008 minutes as presented.

Agenda Item 3 – Ethics Report

Dr. Eichler queried board members if anyone had any possible ethics violations to report. There was no response, indicating no ethics reports were necessary.

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Agenda Item 4 – Budget Review

The board reviewed the budget presented as of September 8, 2008, and felt they were on track. There were no questions regarding the budget.

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Gurse, seconded by Ms. Fellenberg and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to approve the budget report as presented.

The Board reviewed the fee analysis for dentist and dental hygiene renewal. All fees have been approved to be reduced as follows:

Dental Hygiene License Renewal	\$120
Dentist License Renewal	\$290
Dental Specialty License Renewal	\$290

As they were ahead of schedule, the board moved on to Agenda Item 7 – Application Review until the Investigator joins the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Agenda Item 7 – Application Assignments and Review

Assign Questions for Credential Candidates

Dr. Eichler assigned credential review interview questions to the board members.

Credential Application Review

The board reviewed the credential application of the following in preparation for the personal interview:

Thomas K. Budde, DDS	Reviewed by Ms. Fellenberg
Richard D. Oberly, DMD	Reviewed by Mr. Gurse
Betsy L. Peterson, DMD	Reviewed by Dr. Walther
Kenneth E. Steidley, DMD	Reviewed by Ms. Hauff
Ernesto A. Borgards, DDS	Reviewed by Dr. Eichler

The applications appear to be in order for meeting the requirements for dental licensure by credentials.

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The board determined to enter executive session to discuss sensitive information on an application.

Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Gerace, seconded by Dr. Gottlieb and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to enter into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c)(2), and the Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing sensitive information on an application.

Entered into Executive Session at 9:00 a.m.

Out of Executive Session at 9:20 a.m.

Agenda Item 5 – Investigative Report

Susan Winton, Investigator, joined the meeting, at 9:20 a.m., to present the Investigative Report.

Ms. Winton asked if the board had any question regarding the Investigative Report. There being none, she noted the following updates to the report: there were nine open investigations, twelve open complaints, and two license probation cases being monitored.

There being no further Investigations business, Ms. Winton remained in attendance for discussion by the Board concerning if teeth whitening is the practice of dentistry.

Following review of an MOA presented to the Board for their consideration in case number 1202-08-001, the Board took the following action:

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Gurse, seconded by Dr. Gottlieb and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to adopt the MOA in case number 1202-08-001.

It was noted for the record the license holder in case number 1202-08-001 is Yvonne J. Wilson, holding Dental Hygiene license #957.

Agenda Item 6 – Miscellaneous Correspondence

Email from Susan Winton, Investigator – seeking the Board's expertise and guidance concerning a request she had received regarding a teeth whitening business located in the

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Dimond Mall asking if the procedure is considered the practice of dentistry. She posed the following questions for the Board's consideration:

- Does this bleaching process constitute the practice of dentistry?
- Does any part of the process or the materials used make a difference regarding whether this is a violation?
- If yes, please identify what specific procedure or the use of what particular material constitutes a violation.
- In determining a violation, is it relevant if there is a Dentist providing general, direct or indirect supervision?
- In determining a violation, is it relevant if there is a Dental Hygienist at the site or performing any of the tasks?
- If any, what process or materials would not rise to the level of a violation of the practice of dentistry?

The Board responded to each question, respectively, as follows:

- Yes, under AS 08.36.360(1) and (7)
- No
- It is not a violation if a Dentist, licensed in Alaska, is performing or providing direct supervision.
- No
- Selling an over-the-counter product for use at home, just like a grocery store, is not a violation.

Ms. Winton thanked the Board for their guidance, and left the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

Agenda Item 7 – Application Assignments and Review (continued)

Continuing Education Course Applications

Dr. Gerace reviewed the Continuing Education Approval applications, and the Board took the following action:

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Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Gerace, seconded by Ms. Hauff and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to approve the following continuing education course as meeting the requirements in accordance with 12 AAC 28.410:

The Restoration of Endodontically Treated Teeth: How, When and Where, sponsored by the Anchorage Dental Society, for seven (7) hours education.

Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Gerace, seconded by Dr. Gottlieb and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to approve the following continuing education course as meeting the requirements in accordance with 12 AAC 28.410:

Street Drugs, sponsored by the Alaska State Dental Hygienist Association, for two (2) hours education.

Ms. Donohue noted that she had brought the Parenteral Sedation application of Dr. Kent Newell, to the meeting as it had been tabled during the Mail Ballot process. Dr. Pihl was concerned there was no description/delineation of 20 patient contact hours included in the course documents provided with Dr. Newell's application. Upon review of the material, the Board determined they needed documentation to verify the 20 hours of patient contact and instructed Ms. Donohue to advise Dr. Newell to provide that information.

Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Pihl, seconded by Dr. Eichler and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to request Dr. Newell to provide documentation to verify the course he took provided 20 patient contact hours of administration of parenteral sedation.

Ms. Donohue will provide this information to the Board in an updated Mail Ballot as soon as provided by Dr. Newell.

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Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Gerace, seconded by Dr. Pihl and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to include in a regulation project adding a subsection to 12 AAC 28.620(a) to require ACLS certification as a requirement to be issued a Parenteral Sedation Permit.

Agenda Item 6 – Miscellaneous Correspondence (continued)

John D. Sohonage, DDS, SEARHC – Letter asking whether the state of Alaska will allow for dental graduates from other countries to participate in a full time continuing education program such as an AEGD residency. Following discussion the Board determined that no, to participate in the residency the applicant must have graduated from an ADA

approved school, in accordance with AS 08.36.110. There is no exemption provided for foreign graduates. Ms. Donohue will respond to Dr. Sohonage.

University of Kentucky – Letter advising that Univ. of Kentucky offers the course “Professional Ethics in Dentistry – Online Course or by Correspondence. Information only, no response required.

Nebraska Board of Dentistry – Letter from Nebraska Board of Dentistry advising that if the Central Regional Dental Testing Service makes material changes to the content of the ADEX Dental Hygiene exam, the Board would vote to look at other avenues for testing dental hygiene candidates for licensure in the State of Nebraska. Information only, no response required.

John P. Bitting, Esq/, Regulatory Council, DOCS Education – Letter advising that effective 6/13/08 the Dental Organization for Conscious Sedation (DOCS) has changed its name to DOCS Education. Information only, no response required.

ADEX – American Board of Dental Examiners, Inc. – 2007-2008 ADEX Annual Report. Information only, no response required.

Art Nowak, Executive Director, American Board of Pediatric Dentistry – Email in response to Dr. Neslund, explaining that ABPD eliminated the “Board Eligible” designation. He explains that upon application and presentation of their credentials, a pediatric dentist will sit for the Qualifying examination and have 5 years to become certified and can then use the designation “Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry”. If unsuccessful in that 5 years, they will have to again apply for Board Candidacy and start the program over again. Information only, no response required.

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WREB – 2009 Meeting Dates and Locations. Information only.

WREB – 2009 Examiner Preference Packets. Information only.

A list of correspondence reviewed will be attached as an integral part of the minutes.

Recess: 10:27 a.m.

Back from Recess: 10:50 a.m.

Agenda Item 8 – Public Comment

There were no members of the public in attendance.

Agenda Item 9 – Regulations

The committee working to draft proposed regulations to implement HB319, Restorative Functions for Dental Auxiliary, Coronal Polishing Certificate for Dental Assistants, and Collaborative Agreement for Dental Hygienists presented their initial draft to the Board for review. A copy of that draft follows these minutes.

Board members will take the draft with them to review, and will submit suggestions to Ms. Donohue, who will pass these on to the committee. The committee will edit the draft to include all changes from the Board members, and present to the Board at the next meeting. Ms. Donohue pointed out that the Board packet contains correspondence from the Alaska Dental Society outlining their suggestions for regulations to implement the new changes, for the Board to review.

Ms. Donohue advised the Board they may want to call a teleconference prior to the December 12, 2008 scheduled meeting if they wish to keep this project moving as quickly as possible. She added that at that teleconference they may also wish to review their proposed changes to regulation 12 AAC 28.910, which was withdrawn from a current project. Department of Law has advised the proposed changes have no statutory authority, and Jenna Conley, AAG, wants to review this project with the Board to determine how they want to proceed.

Ms. Donohue advised the Board that the changes to 12 AAC 28.952, whereby the Board added a section to require an applicant for dental specialty license must complete a jurisprudence questionnaire, were filed by the Lt. Governor on August 13, 2008, and become effective today, Sept. 12, 2008.

Recess for lunch 12:30 p.m.

Back from lunch 1:04 p.m.

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Agenda Item 10 – Personal Interview for Dental Applicants by Credentials

Applicant Thomas K. Budde, DDS, joined the meeting in person for the personal interview.

Dr. Eichler welcomed the applicant to the meeting and explained the interview process.

Thomas K. Budde, DDS

Ms. Fellenberg reviewed the application of Dr. Budde. The board proceeded in asking the standard interview questions.

Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Fellenberg, seconded by Dr. Pihl and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to approve Dr. Thomas K. Budde for dental licensure by credentials.

Richard D. Oberly, DMD

Dr. Oberly joined the meeting via teleconference. Mr. Gursev reviewed the application of Dr. Oberly. The board proceeded in asking the standard interview questions.

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Gursev, seconded by Dr. Gottlieb and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to approve Dr. Richard Oberly for dental licensure by credentials.

Betsy L. Peterson, DMD

Dr. Peterson joined the meeting via teleconference. Dr. Walther reviewed the application of Dr. Peterson. The board proceeded in asking the standard interview questions.

Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Gottlieb and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to approve Dr. Betsy L. Peterson for dental licensure by credentials.

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Kenneth E. Steidley, DMD

Ms. Donohue attempted to contact Dr. Steidley via teleconference for his interview and was unable to reach him at the phone number provided. She left a message and provided Dr. Walther's cell phone number for Dr. Steidley to return the call. Several attempts were made to reach Dr. Steidley, without success. The Board asked Ms. Donohue to contact Dr. Steidley to schedule his interview for the Dec. 12, 2008 Board meeting in Anchorage.

Ernesto A. Borgards, DDS

Dr. Borgards was not in attendance, and he had not contacted Ms. Donohue to provide a telephone number to contact him for his interview with the Board. Dr. Eichler reviewed the application of Dr. Borgards. His application was in order with the exception of one requirement. Dr. Borgards had provided documentation of only three years of active clinical practice in the previous five years from the date of his application for dental license.

Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Eichler, seconded by Dr. Pihl , it was:

RESOLVED to deny to grant the dental license application of Dr. Ernesto A. Borgards because he had not provided documentation to verify that he had been in active clinical practice an average of 20 hours per week for each of the five years immediately preceding application, in accordance with AS 08.36.234(D) and 12 AAC 28.951(c)(6)(B).

Following discussion Dr. Eichler called for all in favor of granting the license.

1 yes
7 nos

Dr. Pihl noted that the motion was to deny, and the call to vote was positive, which negated the intent of the motion.

Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Fellenberg, seconded by Dr. Pihl and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to reconsider the motion to deny the license application for Dr. Ernesto A. Borgards.

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Dr. Eichler restated the motion as follows:

Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Eichler, seconded by Dr. Pihl, it was:

**RESOLVED to approve the application for Dr. Ernesto A. Borgards
for dental licensure by credentials.**

0 – yeah’s

8 – no’s

Dr. Eichler noted that Dr. Borgards could apply for dental license by Examination, or re-apply by Credentials when he can document the required time.

Agenda Item 8 – Public Comment

Mary Cerney and Barbara O’Donnell was present for Public Comment. Ms. O’Donnell works for the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, and wanted to let the Board know that ANTHC has a vast supply of materials available to assist in developing the requirements for the new restorative function and coronal polishing certificates provided for in HB319. Dr. Eichler thanked Ms. O’Donnell for her offer.

Agenda Item 11 – Task List

Ms. Donohue advised the Board that the renewal forms for dentists, dental specialists, and dental hygienists would be posted to the website approximately the first week of November. She explained that this year a postcard will be mailed to all licensees who are up for renewal, explaining how to access the form on the website. Additionally, the postcard will provide contact information for anyone not able to go online to download the form.

General dentist and dental specialty license renewals will be included on the same form. The licensee will mark the appropriate box to indicate which license type they are renewing.

Dr. Neslund provided a summary of her conversations with Tom Elliot, Chief Legal Counsel for the ADA, concerning the Board’s issues with dentists licensed as specialists. The result of those conversations is: if a dentist who has successfully completed their residency training chooses to announce themselves as a specialist, they **must** limit their practice to that specialty. If a dentist with specialty training desires to continue practicing

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general dentistry along with their specialty, they cannot claim to be a specialist and will need to maintain their general dentistry license in the state of Alaska, but cannot also hold a specialty license.

This information is in accordance with 12 AAC 28.905 Ethical Standards, whereby the Board has adopted as the ethical standards for all licensed dental hygienists and dentists in the state the "Code of Ethics for Dental Hygienists" as set out in the American Dental Hygienists' Association document titled "2001-2002 Bylaws-Code of Ethics" and the American Dental Association's "Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct, with official advisory opinions revised to April 2002."

Dr. Eichler will draft a letter for Ms. Donohue to mail to dentists who currently hold a dental specialist license, explaining the requirement to limit their practice if they hold a specialist license, in compliance with the above noted regulation.

Agenda Item 12 – Goals & Objectives

Dr. Eichler reviewed the Goals & Objectives. Following discussion the following change was made:

6. Post Annual Newsletter on Dental Board's website. At this time the Newsletter will contain no technical articles. Ms. Donohue will update the administrative information, then post the Newsletter to the website.

Agenda Item 13 – Office Business

A. Travel Authorizations

Ms. Donohue collected signed TAs and travel receipts.

B. Meeting Dates for 2007-2008

The board confirmed the following scheduled meeting dates:

December 12, 2008 in Anchorage

February 19-20, 2009 in Juneau

The dates for the June 2009 meeting in Anchorage will be confirmed at the December meeting.

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C. Sign Wall Certificates

The Chairman and Secretary signed wall certificates.

Agenda Item 14 – New/Old Business

Following discussion, the Board determined that it is important for a member to attend the Western Conference of Examiners and Dental School Deans meeting each year. This meeting immediately follows the WREB summer meeting. Dr. Eichler attended that meeting this year, and is seeking reimbursement of expenses. Ms. Donohue explained

that she is not sure if the travel can be reimbursed retroactively, but she will submit the travel receipts, and see what happens.

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Gurse, seconded by Dr. Pihl and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to approve Dr. Eichler's travel expenses, and registration for the Western Conference of Examiners and Dental School Deans meeting in July.

Ms. Donohue advised the Board that a copy of the 2008 Annual Report was included in their packet for review.

Ms. Donohue asked the Board's guidance regarding several questions on the Application for Licensure as a Dental Specialist. Following review and discussion the Board determined to delete the following questions: 13-21 and 23-24. Ms. Donohue will update the application, and bring a copy to the December meeting for review.

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Agenda Item 15 - Adjourn

There being no further business Dr. Eichler called for a motion to adjourn.

**Upon a motion by Mr. Gurse, seconded by Dr. Gottlieb and approved
unanimously, it was:**

**RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Dental
Examiners.**

The board adjourned the meeting at 2:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Brenda Donohue, Licensing Examiner

APPROVED:

David Eichler, DMD
Chairman
Board of Dental Examiners

Date: _____

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TASK LIST FROM SEPTEMBER 12, 2008 MEETING**

Ms. Fellenberg

Dr. Gerace

- Review Course Approvals for continuing education.
- Continue working on draft of proposed regulations to implement coronal polishing certificate and restorative certificate for dental assistants; and restorative function license endorsement and collaborative agreement requirements for dental hygienists.

Dr. Eichler

- Prepare letter for Ms. Donohue to mail to all current dental specialists advising dental specialty license holders of Limitation of Practice requirement

Dr. Arne Pihl

Dr. Kevin Gottlieb

Vicki Hauff

- Backup person for reviewing Course Approvals
- Continue working on draft of proposed regulations to implement coronal polishing certificate and restorative certificate for dental assistants; and restorative function license endorsement and collaborative agreement requirements for dental hygienists.

Gregory Gursev

Dr. Neslund

Dr. Walther

- Continue working on draft of proposed regulations to implement coronal polishing certificate and restorative certificate for dental assistants; and restorative function license endorsement and collaborative agreement requirements for dental hygienists.
- Attend AADE Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX.

Licensing Examiner

- Work on board's web site – updating/adding information
- CE Course approval letters to applicants

- Update the Dental Specialist License Application
- Contact Dr. Kent Newell advising additional information required for his Parenteral Sedation Permit Application
- Respond to Dr. John Sohorage, DDS, SEARHC regarding foreign graduates participating in AEGD residency
- Ask if Dept. of Law's billing can be broken-out by case

Restorative Functions by Dental Auxiliary

Application and certification
Approval of course instruction
Requirements for course instruction
Expiration and renewal of Certification
Registry

APPLICATION AND CERTIFICATION

The Board will issue to a Dental Assistant National Board (DANB) certified dental assistant or a dental hygienist licensed in this state certification to perform restorative functions if the applicant submits

- Completed, notarized application on the form provided by the department
- The applicable fees required in 12 AAC 02.190
- Written verification of successful completion of an accredited college or university course of instruction approved by the Board
- Evidence of having passed the restorative function portion of the Western Regional Examining Board (WREB) within five years immediately preceding the date of application

If the applicant is currently certified / licensed in another licensing jurisdiction to perform restorative functions, the applicant may submit evidence showing that the

- Applicant's certification or license in that licensing jurisdiction is current and in good standing
- Applicant has actively, as part of routine dental auxiliary procedure, performed restorative function at least an average of once per week during the two years immediately preceding the date of application or
- Can provide evidence of taking a restorative course approved by the Board within 2 years preceding application demonstrating an update in restorative skills.

APPROVAL OF COURSE CERTIFICATION

The Board may, upon its own motion or upon request of any interested person, approve a course of instruction upon receipt of

- The name of the college or university sponsoring the course
- The name of the college or university faculty member presenting the course
- A course outline which verifies inclusion of the subject and procedures required by (Regulation section that covers Requirements for Course Instruction)

REQUIREMENTS FOR COURSE INSTRUCTION

A course of instruction for restorative functions must include

Knowledge:

- Understand the physical, chemical and biological considerations concerning dental materials, including amalgam and all esthetic materials
 - Appreciate the limitation and acceptability of a dental material by knowing the physical chemical and biological properties of the material.
 - Demonstrate knowledge of proper safety when using dental materials including appropriate infection control and mercury hygiene
 - Demonstrate knowledge of dental anatomy and proper occlusion
 - Demonstrate and discuss appropriate treatment plan options and precautions following treatment
- Application - The student will achieve lab/ clinical competency in the following areas:
- Demonstrate competency in all procedures for rubber dam application. lab/clinical
 - Demonstrate to competency all procedures for the placement and removal of matrix and wedges for metal and non-metal restorations lab/clinical
 - Demonstrate competency for titration/mixing and condensing all dental materials.

- Demonstrate competency in the selection, manipulation and placement of cement bases, varnish and liners and temporary restorations lab only: may not have enough patients to test competency, may just use a base liner
- Demonstrate to clinical competency the manipulation and placement of dentin/enamel bonding agents clinical
- Demonstrate the ability to reproduce the tooth anatomy on a prepped tooth. (lab)
- Demonstrate the understanding of the properties of dental materials by properly selecting, manipulating and placing the materials. (clinical competency)
- Demonstrate effective placement, carving and polishing, of amalgam restorations.(clinical)
- Demonstrate effective placement and finishing of composite and esthetic restorations (clinical)
- Demonstrate to competency the placement of a temporary cement restoration. (lab)

Evaluation:

- Demonstrate to competency the ability to evaluate proper procedures for rubber dam application
- Demonstrate to competency the ability to evaluate effective placement and finishing of amalgam, composite, and esthetic restorations
- Demonstrate the ability to evaluate restorations according to proper anatomy
- Demonstrate to competency the ability to evaluate and adjust occlusal anatomy
- Demonstrate the ability to document patient procedures involved in restorative treatment of a patient.

Time Involvement:

- Education will dictate time involved. Completion depends on how fast the student completes and passes all the requirements and patient experiences of the course.

EXPIRATION AND RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE

A certification to perform restorative functions expires and may be renewed congruently for all dental auxiliaries with dental hygiene licensing renewal process

REGISTRY

The Board shall maintain a registry of all dental auxiliary certified to perform restorative functions

Coronal Polishing by Dental Assistants

Application and certification

Approval of course instruction

Requirements for course instruction

Expiration and renewal of Certification

Registry

APPLICATION AND CERTIFICATION

The Board will issue to a dental assistant certification to perform coronal polishing if the applicant submits

- Completed, notarized application on the form provided by the department
- The applicable fees required in 12 AAC 02.190
- Written verification of successful completion of a course of instruction approved by the Board

APPROVAL OF COURSE CERTIFICATION

The Board may, upon its own motion or upon request of any interested person, approve a course of instruction upon receipt of

- The name of the course sponsor
- The name of the instructor presenting the course
- A course outline which verifies inclusion of the subject and procedures required by (Regulation section that covers Requirements for Course Instruction)

REQUIREMENTS FOR COURSE INSTRUCTION

A course of instruction for coronal polishing must include

Demonstrate didactic knowledge of

- Appropriate infection control procedures when performing coronal polishing
- Characteristics of abrasives used for polishing
- Aerosol production during polishing
- Effects of heat production during polishing
- Removal of tooth structure by polishing
- Indications and contraindications of polishing
- Selective polishing techniques

Demonstrate clinical competences in

- Coronal polishing by removing soft plaque and stain from exposed tooth surfaces utilizing appropriate rotary instrument with a rubber cup or brush and suitable polishing agent
- Proper infection control techniques while performing coronal polishing

Collaborative Agreement Requirements

Application and Authorization to Practice

Continuing Education

Delegation of Procedures

Maintenance of Records

Expiration and Renewal of the Collaborative Agreement

Registry

APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PRACTICE

- The Board shall approve a Collaborative Agreement to a dental hygienist that holds a license in good standing who submits
 - Completed, notarized application on the form provided by the department
 - The applicable fees required in 12 AAC 02.190
 - An affidavit stating that the applicant has a minimum of 4,000 hours of clinical experience within the five years immediately preceding the date of application
 - A copy of current certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) techniques for the applicant that meets the requirements of 12 AAC 28.920
 - A copy of the applicant's current professional liability policy or declaration page which will include the policy number and expiration date
 - Evidence of continuing educational courses meeting the requirements of the collaborative agreement
 - A written agreement including
 - Identification of the affiliated practice setting in which the dental hygienist may engage in dental hygiene practice pursuant to a collaborative agreement relationship
 - Identification of the procedures and standing orders the dental hygienist must follow
 - A requirement that the dental hygienist refer patients who have been assessed by the dental hygienist to the affiliated dentist for treatment or planning that is outside of the dental hygienist's scope of practice
 - Starting and ending dates of the collaboration
 - Patient record location
- The dental hygienist and the affiliated dentist must notify the board of any amendments to the agreement within thirty days after the effective date of the agreement
- The Board shall not approve a Collaborative Agreement to a dental hygienist if the affiliated licensed dentist has five current Collaborative Agreements

CONTINUING EDUCATION

In addition to the continuing education required in Sec 12 AAC 28.400, a dental hygienist who wishes to practice under a collaborative agreement must

- Complete four additional hours of continuing education per biennial license renewal period in one or more of the following subject areas
 - Medical emergencies
 - Pediatric and other special health care needs
 - Pharmacology
 - Oral pathology
 - Public health or other eleemosynary facility
 - Patient management
 - General medicine and physical diagnosis
 - Jurisprudence relating to unsupervised practice

DELEGATION OF PROCEDURES

- A dentist in a collaborative agreement
 - Be available to provide contact, communication and consultation with the affiliated dental hygienist
 - Adopt standing orders applicable to dental hygiene procedures that may be performed by the dental hygienist
- A dental hygienist authorized in a collaborative agreement
 - May perform any procedure as delegated in Sec 08.32.110 and Sec 08.32.115 and only those duties within the terms of the collaborative agreement approved by the Board
 - Must maintain contact, communication and consultation with the affiliated dentist
 - Prior to performing any hygiene services, shall assess the patient, gather data, interpret the data to determine the patient's dental hygiene treatment needs and formulate a patient care plan

MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

A dental hygienist authorized in a Collaborative Agreement shall

- Develop a procedure for creating and maintaining dental records for the patients that are treated by the dental hygienist. This procedure must specify where these records are to be located
- Document in the patient's official chart the name of the authorizing dentist
- Document all referrals

EXPIRATION AND RENEWAL OF THE COLLABORATIVE AGREEMENT

- A Collaborative Agreement shall
 - Expire immediately on date agreed upon by the collaborating dental hygienist and dentist and approved by the Board
 - Not have a term exceeding five years
- The dental hygienist and the affiliated dentist must also notify the board within thirty days after the termination date of the affiliated practice relationship if this date is different than the contract expiration date
- Prior to or upon expiration, the Board may renew a collaborative agreement if the applicant submits a new completed application

REGISTRY

The Board shall maintain a registry of all current collaborative agreements