

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1981.

Approved May 12, 1981.

CHAPTER 419

(House Bill 1099)

AN ACT concerning

Dental Hygienists

FOR the purpose of modifying the definition of the practice of dental hygiene to include the charting of restorations, missing teeth, periodontal conditions, and other features observed during a dental examination.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health Occupations

Section 4-101(k)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter _____ (H.B. 1) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1981)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland (as enacted by Chapter _____ (H.B. 1) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1981) be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Health Occupations

4-101.

(k) "Practice dental hygiene" means to:

- (1) Perform a preliminary dental examination;
- (2) Perform a complete prophylaxis, including the removal of any deposit, accretion, or stain from the surface of a tooth or a restoration;
- (3) Polish a tooth or a restoration;
- (4) Chart cavities, RESTORATIONS, MISSING TEETH, PERIODONTAL CONDITIONS, AND OTHER FEATURES OBSERVED during preliminary examination, prophylaxis, or polishing;
- (5) Apply a medicinal agent to a tooth for a prophylactic purpose;