

Practice of Dentistry - Business Entities

FOR the purpose of eliminating--the--prohibition--against licensed--dentists--practicing--dentistry--as--a--business entity--and--under--the--name--of--a--business--entity;--and allowing--the--State--Board--of--Dental--Examiners--to--adopt rules--and--regulations--to--allow--licensed--dentist--to practice--dentistry--under--certain--conditions--and--for certain--purposes authorizing a licensed dentist to use a trade name in connection with the practice of dentistry under certain conditions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments; BY adding to

Article - Health Occupations
Section 4-603 4-502(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1981 Volume and 1981 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland read(s) as follows:

Article - Health Occupations

4-603-

~~(a) -- Except as otherwise provided by law, a licensed dentist may not practice dentistry.~~

~~(1) -- Under a name other than the name of the licensee,~~

~~(2) -- As a business entity, or~~

~~(3) -- Under the name of a business entity. } -- TO ASSURE THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF LICENSED DENTISTS, THE BOARD MAY ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS TO ESTABLISH CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH A LICENSED DENTIST MAY PRACTICE DENTISTRY.~~

~~(1) -- AS A BUSINESS ENTITY, OR~~

~~(2) -- UNDER THE NAME OF A BUSINESS ENTITY.~~

~~(b) -- A licensed dentist may practice, under the name of the licensee, as an employee of a health maintenance organization that is certified by the State Insurance Commissioner.~~

4-502.

(D) A LICENSED DENTIST MAY USE A TRADE NAME IN CONNECTION WITH THE PRACTICE OF DENTISTRY PROVIDED THAT: