

**Article - Health Occupations**

4-302.

(e) To qualify for a license to practice dental hygiene, the applicant shall be a graduate of a school for dental hygienists that:

(1) Requires at least 2 years of [study] ~~EDUCATION CONSISTING OF CREDITS THAT CAN BE TRANSFERRED INTO A 4 YEAR ACCREDITED COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY IN AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION;~~

(2) IS ACCREDITED BY THE AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION COMMISSION ON DENTAL ACCREDITATION; and

[(2)](3) Is approved by the Board.

4-304.

(c) (1) At least 30 days before the examination, an applicant for a general license to practice dental hygiene shall submit the application to the Board.

(2) In addition to the other requirements of this section, an applicant for a license to practice dental hygiene shall submit to the Board:

(i) Satisfactory evidence of graduation from [an approved school for dental hygienists] ~~A DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM ACCREDITED BY THE AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION COMMISSION ON DENTAL ACCREDITATION;~~ and

(ii) Any other credentials that the Board requires.

4-305.

(a) An applicant who otherwise qualifies for a general license to practice dentistry or a general license to practice dental hygiene is entitled to be examined as provided in this section.

(f) (1) An applicant who fails an examination twice shall complete 40 hours of additional [training] ~~EDUCATION~~ in an accredited school of dentistry or ~~A dental hygiene PROGRAM ACCREDITED BY THE AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION COMMISSION ON DENTAL ACCREDITATION,~~ as appropriate, before the applicant may retake the examination.

(2) An applicant who fails an examination 3 times shall retake and successfully complete the senior year of [training] ~~EDUCATION~~ at an accredited school of dentistry or ~~A dental hygiene PROGRAM ACCREDITED BY THE AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION COMMISSION ON DENTAL ACCREDITATION,~~ as appropriate, before the applicant may retake the examination.

(3) An applicant who fails an examination 4 times may not be reexamined.

4-312.

(a) Subject to the provisions of this section, the Board may issue a temporary license to practice dental hygiene to an applicant who: