

SUPERVISION THAT CLEARLY SETS FORTH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THE DENTAL HYGIENIST MAY PRACTICE, INCLUDING A STATEMENT THAT THE DENTAL HYGIENIST MAY PROVIDE DENTAL HYGIENE SERVICES WITHOUT THE SUPERVISING DENTIST ON THE PREMISES.

(4) A DENTAL HYGIENIST MAY PERFORM AUTHORIZED DENTAL HYGIENE SERVICES WITHOUT THE SUPERVISING DENTIST ON THE PREMISES ONLY IF:

(I) AFTER THE SUPERVISING DENTIST EXAMINES AND EVALUATES A PATIENT, THE PRESCRIBED AND AUTHORIZED TREATMENT TO BE PROVIDED BY THE DENTAL HYGIENIST IS WRITTEN IN THE PATIENT'S RECORDS;

(II) 1. TREATMENTS AUTHORIZED BY A SUPERVISING DENTIST TO BE PROVIDED BY THE DENTAL HYGIENIST ARE RENDERED NO LATER THAN 7 MONTHS FROM THE DATE THE PATIENT WAS EXAMINED AND EVALUATED BY THE SUPERVISING DENTIST; AND

2. UPON EXPIRATION OF A PRESCRIPTION OR PRESCRIBED TREATMENT, THE SUPERVISING DENTIST EXAMINES AND REEVALUATES THE PATIENT BEFORE WRITING A NEW PRESCRIPTION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR TREATMENT;

(III) PRIOR TO AN APPOINTMENT, THE PATIENT OR THE CUSTODIAL PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF A MINOR OR INCOMPETENT ADULT SHALL:

1. BE INFORMED THAT A DENTAL HYGIENIST WILL BE PROVIDING SERVICES PREVIOUSLY PRESCRIBED BY A DENTIST WHO WILL NOT BE ON THE PREMISES DURING THE APPOINTMENT; AND

2. CONSENT TO RECEIVING THE DENTAL HYGIENE SERVICES;

(IV) WRITTEN EMERGENCY PROCEDURES ARE IN PLACE AND THE DENTAL HYGIENIST IS TRAINED TO IMPLEMENT THE EMERGENCY PROCEDURES; AND

(V) A DESIGNATED LICENSED DENTIST IS AVAILABLE FOR CONSULTATION WITH THE DENTAL HYGIENIST; AND

~~(V)~~ (VI) THE NUMBER OF UNSUPERVISED CLINICAL HOURS WORKED BY A SUPERVISED DENTAL HYGIENIST IN ANY GIVEN CALENDAR WEEK IS LESS THAN 60 PERCENT OF THE DENTAL HYGIENIST'S TOTAL HOURS.

(5) A SUPERVISING DENTIST MAY NOT EMPLOY MORE THAN TWO DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO WORK UNDER THE DENTIST'S GENERAL SUPERVISION AT ANY GIVEN TIME.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2003.

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