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Honorable Edgar Heiskell, III
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State Capitol
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on Dec 29, 1982*

Dear Mr. Heiskell:

I hereby certify that the attached regulations beginning on page 15, Series II, Section 7, revised 1973, are certified authentic by the members of the West Virginia Board of Dental Examiners. This is an amendment to Certification No. III dated January 10, 1973. This repeals the former regulations certified under Certification No. III dated January 10, 1973, and adopts these new regulations in Certification No. III's place.

Very truly yours,

JAMES G. ANDERSON III
Executive Secretary

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Enclosures

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Section 7. Expanded Duties of Dental Hygienists and Dental Assistants.

7.01. General.--Licensed dentists may assign to their employed dental hygienists or assistants intraoral tasks as set out herein for dental hygienists and/or assistants, subject to the following conditions:

(1) The performance of intraoral tasks by dental hygienists or assistants shall be under the direct supervision of the employer-dentist.

(2) None of the following procedures may be assigned to a dental hygienist or assistant or to any other person not licensed to practice dentistry:

(a) Diagnosis, treatment planning and prescription (including prescriptions for drugs and medicaments or authorizations for restorative, prosthodontic or orthodontic appliances).

(b) Surgical procedures on hard and soft tissues within the oral cavity or any other intraoral procedure that contributes to or results in an irremediable alteration of the oral anatomy.

(3) The licensed dentist assigning expanded duties to a dental hygienist and/or assistant shall be solely responsible to check the dental hygienist and/or assistant to determine that he or she is competent to handle those duties assigned. Further, no licensed dentist shall assign additional duties to a dental hygienist and/or assistant until he is assured that said dental

hygienist and/or assistant is fully competent and completely qualified to perform said assigned expanded duty and/or duties.

7.02. Duties and/or intraoral tasks that may be assigned by a licensed dentist to a dental hygienist and/or assistant in the licensed dentist's employment.--

- (1) Placing, exposing, developing, and mounting dental radiographs.
- (2) Placing and removing rubber dams.
- (3) Chart existing restorations and missing teeth.
- (4) Hold and remove materials, trays, strips, sutures, and bands previously placed in the patient's mouth by the dentist.
- (5) Remove excess cement without the use of rotating or power-driven instruments.

7.03. Duties and/or intraoral tasks that may be assigned by a licensed dentist to a dental hygienist in the licensed dentist's employment.--

- (1) Supra and Subgingival scaling of teeth.
- (2) Polishing of coronal surfaces of teeth.
- (3) Dental Health Education
- (4) Nutritional Counseling
- (5) Application of caries preventive agents and other topical medicaments to the surfaces of teeth and surrounding tissues (including topical anesthesia).
- (6) Placing, exposing, developing, and mounting dental radiographs.
- (7) Finishing and polishing amalgams, resin, composite, and silicate restorations.
- (8) Examining and recording periodontal findings.

- (9) Scaling excessive cement from the surfaces of teeth and restorations.
- (10) Performing clinical examinations and diagnostic test of teeth and surrounding teeth and recording findings for interpretation by a dentist (includes such procedures as restorative chartings, caries activity test, cytology smears, endodontic cultures, vitality test, etc.)
- (11) Removing soft tissue dressings.
- (12) Removing ligature wires.
- (13) Preparing medical and dental histories for interpretation by a dentist.
- (14) Placing and removing rubber dams.
- (15) Taking impressions for study cast and pouring models.
- (16) Taking intra and extra-oral photographs.
- (17) Removing oral sutures.