

REQUEST FOR TECHNICAL CHANGE

AGENCY: Board of Dental Examiners

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 16G .0101

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT: Wednesday, March 8, 2017

NOTE WELL: This request when viewed on computer extends several pages. Please be sure you have reached the end of the document.

The Rules Review Commission staff has completed its review of this rule prior to the Commission's next meeting. The Commission has not yet reviewed this rule and therefore there has not been a determination as to whether the rule will be approved. You may call this office to inquire concerning the staff recommendation.

In reviewing these rules, the staff determined that the following technical changes need to be made. Approval of any rule is contingent upon making technical changes as set forth in G.S. 150B-21.10.

The version of this Rule used to make amendments is not the most current version.

Please use the Rule found in the Code

(<http://reports.oah.state.nc.us/ncac.asp?folderName=\Title%2021%20-%20Occupational%20Licensing%20Boards%20and%20Commissions\Chapter%2016%20-%20Dental%20Examiners>) to make changes. Please note that the correct version of this Rule was used for purposes of the Register.

Please include the Register information on Line 1. It should read as follows: "21 NCAC 16G .0101 is amended with changes as published in 31:08 NCR 745-746 as follows:" Please note that this is assuming that you make other changes to this Rule.

Please add a comma in between "hygienist" and "provided" and also in between "procedure" and "include"

Please include the desired effective date in the History Note. I assume this will be April 1, 2017.

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

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Date submitted to agency: February 21, 2017

21 NCAC 16G .0101 is proposed for amendment as follows:

21 NCAC 16G .0101 FUNCTIONS THAT MAY BE DELEGATED

A dental hygienist may be delegated functions to be performed under the direct control and supervision of a dentist who shall be personally and professionally responsible and liable for any and all consequences or results arising from performance of such acts and functions. In addition to the functions set out in G.S. 90-221(a) and 21 NCAC 16H .0203, functions that may be delegated to a dental hygienist provided that a dentist has examined the patient and prescribed the procedure include:

- (1) Taking impressions for study models and opposing casts that may be used for the construction of temporary or permanent dental appliances, adjustable orthodontic appliances, nightguards and the repair of dentures or partials;
- (2) Applying sealants to teeth that do not require mechanical alteration prior to the application of such sealants;
- (3) Inserting matrix bands and wedges;
- (4) Placing cavity bases and liners;
- (5) Placing and removing rubber dams;
- (6) Cementing temporary restorations using temporary cement;
- (7) Applying acid etch materials and rinses;
- (8) Applying bonding agents;
- (9) Removing periodontal dressings;
- (10) Removing sutures;
- (11) Placing and removing gingival retraction cord;
- (12) Removing excess cement;
- (13) Flushing, drying and temporarily closing root canals;
- (14) Placing and removing temporary restorations;
- (15) Placing and tying in or untying and removing orthodontic arch wires;
- (16) Inserting interdental spacers;
- (17) Fitting (sizing) orthodontic bands or brackets;
- (18) Applying dentin desensitizing solutions;
- (19) Performing periodontal screening;
- (20) Performing periodontal probing;
- (21) Performing subgingival exploration for or removal of hard or soft deposits;
- (22) Performing sulcular irrigation;
- (23) Applying resorbable sulcular antimicrobial or antibiotic agents;
- (24) Performing extra-oral adjustments that affect function, fit, or occlusion of any ~~temporary~~ restoration or appliance; and
- (25) Initially forming and sizing orthodontic arch wires and placing arch wires after final adjustment and approval by the dentist.

1 *History Note:* *Authority G.S. 90-41; 90-221; 90-223(b); 90-233;*
2 *Eff. September 3, 1976;*
3 *Readopted Eff. September 26, 1977;*
4 *Amended Eff. _____; August 1, 2016; April 1, 2015; August 1, 2008; August 1, 2000; May*
5 *1, 1989; October 1, 1985; March 1, 1985.*