

**BOARD OF DENTISTRY
COUNCIL ON DENTAL HYGIENE
AGENDA**

**Call In Number (888) 670-3525, Participant Pass Code: 4552635641
September 26, 2016
6:00 p.m. EST**

Participants in this public meeting should be aware that these proceedings are being recorded and that an audio file of the meeting will be posted to the board's website.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Rule 64B5-9.010, Prescriptions for the Services of a Dental Hygienist**
- b. Rule 64B5-16.007, Levels of Supervision for Dental Hygienists**

III. OLD BUSINESS

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Education Standards for a Dental Hygienist
Nancy Zinser, CRDH, MS, Associate Dean of Health Sciences at Palm
Beach State College**

***To connect to the conference call, dial the following number: 888-670-3525 a minute or two prior to the start time of the meeting. You will then be prompted to enter a "participant pass code", which is 4552635641, followed by the # sign. Please mute your line after joining the call.**

64B5-9.010 Prescriptions for the Services of a Dental Hygienist.

(1) For the purposes of Section 466.023(2)(d)(e), F.S., a dentist's prescription for his patient of record for dental hygiene services shall contain the following information:

- (a) The patient's name and address;
- (b) The dentist's name, business address and license number;
- (c) The name, business address and professional license number of the dental hygienist who is being authorized to perform the service; and
- (d) A statement of the specific services authorized and the frequency of the services authorized.

(2) The prescribing dentist shall maintain an electronic or paper copy of the prescription within the patient's dental record.

~~(2) The prescription must be printed, handwritten or typed on the dentist's prescription pad or on his professional letterhead stationery.~~

~~(3) The original prescription shall be given to the patient, and a copy shall be maintained in the patient's file in the office of the prescribing dentist.~~

Rulemaking Authority 466.004(4) FS. Law Implemented 466.023(2)(d) FS. History—New 8-4-80, Formerly 21G-9.10, Amended 1-18-89, Formerly 21G-9.010, 61F5-9.010, 59Q-9.010.

Relevant Portion of the Statute the Rule is Implementing.

466.023 Dental hygienists; scope and area of practice.—

(1) Except as otherwise provided in s. 466.024, only dental hygienists may be delegated the task of removing calculus deposits, accretions, and stains from exposed surfaces of the teeth and from the gingival sulcus and the task of performing root planing and curettage. In addition, dental hygienists may expose dental X-ray films, apply topical preventive or prophylactic agents, and perform all tasks delegable by the dentist in accordance with s. 466.024. The board by rule shall determine whether such functions shall be performed under the direct, indirect, or general supervision of the dentist.

(2) Dental hygienists may perform their duties:

- (a) In the office of a licensed dentist;
- (b) In public health programs and institutions of the Department of Children and Families, Department of Health, and Department of Juvenile Justice under the general supervision of a licensed dentist;
- (c) In a health access setting as defined in s. 466.003; or
- (d) Upon a patient of record of a dentist who has issued a prescription for the services of a dental hygienist, which prescription shall be valid for 2 years unless a shorter length of time is designated by the dentist, in:
 1. Licensed public and private health facilities;
 2. Other public institutions of the state and federal government;
 3. Public and private educational institutions;
 4. The home of a nonambulatory patient; and
 5. Other places in accordance with the rules of the board.

However, the dentist issuing such prescription shall remain responsible for the care of such patient. As used in this subsection, "patient of record" means a patient upon whom a dentist has taken a complete medical history, completed a clinical examination, recorded any pathological conditions, and prepared a treatment plan.

64B5-16.007 Levels of Supervision for Dental Hygienists

Ms. Cabanzon would like to discuss moving the remediable task in 16.007(2)(a) to 16.007(3) under general supervision.

64B5-16.007 Levels of Supervision for Dental Hygienists.

By virtue of their training and licensure, dental hygienists are authorized to perform the following remediable tasks without additional training as defined in Chapter 64B5-16, F.A.C., under the following levels of supervision:

- (1) Direct supervision: Gingival curettage.
- (2) Indirect supervision:
 - (a) Root planing.
 - (b) Removal of excess remaining bonding adhesive or cement following orthodontic appliance removal with slow-speed rotary instrument, hand instrument or ultrasonic scalers.
- (3) General Supervision:
 - (a) Removing calculus deposits, accretions and stains from exposed surfaces of the teeth and from the tooth surfaces within the gingival sulcus (prophylaxis);
 - (b) Placing and exposing dental and carpal radiographic film and sensors; and
- (4) Without Supervision: Provide educational programs, faculty or staff training programs, authorized fluoride rinse programs, apply fluoride varnishes, instruct patients in oral hygiene care and supervising patient oral hygiene care and other services which do not involve diagnosis or treatment of dental conditions.

Rulemaking Authority 466.004, 466.023, 466.024 FS. Law Implemented 466.023, 466.024(3) FS. History—New 1-18-89, Formerly 21G-16.007, 61F5-16.007, Amended 9-27-95, 6-12-97, Formerly 59Q-16.007, Amended 1-8-01, 6-11-07, 7-20-09.