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AN ACT

1	Amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.216, No.76), entitled "An	
2	act relating to dentistry; defining and providing for the	
3	licensing and registration of dentists and dental hygienists,	
4	and for the revocation and suspension of such licenses and	
5	registrations, subject to appeal, and for their	
6	reinstatement; defining the powers and duties of the State	
7	Dental Council and Examining Board and the Department of	
8	Public Instruction; providing penalties; and repealing	
9	existing laws, " further defining "dental hygienist" and	<
10	"board"; defining "independent dental hygiene practitioner";	
11	and providing for supervision and practice of dental	
12	hygienists and for independent dental hygiene practitioners.	
13	FURTHER DEFINING "EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT";	<
14	DEFINING "CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT"; FURTHER PROVIDING FOR	
15	GENERAL POWERS OF THE STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY, FOR FEES, FOR	
16	REASON FOR REFUSAL, REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION OF LICENSE OR	
17	CERTIFICATE, FOR PENALTIES, FOR CIVIL PENALTIES, FOR RIGHT OF	
18	DENTISTS TO PRACTICE AS DENTAL HYGIENISTS AND EXPANDED	
19	FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANTS, FOR REPORTING OF MULTIPLE	
20	LICENSURE OR CERTIFICATION AND FOR THE DEFINITION OF	
21	"ASSIGNMENT OF DUTIES"; AND PROVIDING FOR SCOPE OF PRACTICE	
22	OF EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT AND FOR SCOPE OF	
23	PRACTICE FOR CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT.	
24	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania	
25	hereby enacts as follows:	
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26	Section 1. The definitions of "dental hygienist" and "board"	<

in section 2 of the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.216, No.76), known

- 1 as The Dental Law, amended February 9, 1984 (P.L.23, No.9), are
- 2 amended and the section is amended by adding a definition to
- 3 read:
- 4 Section 2. Definitions. * * *
- 5 A "Dental Hygienist" is one who is legally licensed as such
- 6 by the [said dental council and examining board] State Board of
- 7 <u>Dentistry</u> to perform those educational, preventive, and
- 8 therapeutic services and procedures that licensed dental
- 9 hygienists are educated to perform. Licensed dentists may assign
- 10 to [their employed] dental hygienists intra oral procedures
- 11 which the hygienists have been educated to perform and which
- 12 require their professional competence and skill but which do not
- 13 require the professional competence and skill of the [employer-
- 14 dentist] dentist. Such assignments shall be under the
- 15 supervision of a licensed dentist. Such performance of intra-
- 16 oral procedures by licensed dental hygienists shall be in the
- 17 <u>private</u> office of a dentist or public or private institution
- 18 such as schools, hospitals, orphanages, and sanitoria or State
- 19 health cars. Dental hygienists certified as independent dental
- 20 <u>hygiene practitioners may perform intra oral procedures without</u>
- 21 the assignment of a dentist under section 11.9. The foregoing
- 22 shall not be construed as authorizing the assignment of
- 23 diagnosing, treatment planning and writing prescriptions for
- 24 drugs or writing authorizations for restorative, prosthetic, or
- 25 orthodontic appliances. The board shall issue rules setting
- 26 forth the necessary education and defining the procedures that
- 27 may be performed by dental hygienists licensed under this act
- 28 including those procedures that may be performed under direct
- 29 and general supervision.
- The word "board," as used in this act, means the [State

- 1 Dental Council and Examining Board | State Board of Dentistry.
- 2 * * *
- 3 <u>"Independent Dental Hygiene Practitioner" means a licensed</u>
- 4 dental hygienist who may perform educational, preventative,
- 5 therapeutic and intra oral procedures which the hygienist is
- 6 <u>educated to perform and which requires the hygienist's</u>
- 7 professional competence and skill but which do not require the
- 8 professional competence and skill of a dentist without the
- 9 <u>authorization</u>, <u>assignment or examination of a dentist</u>, <u>and who</u>
- 10 is certified by the State Board of Dentistry as having satisfied
- 11 the requirements of section 11.9. Independent dental hygiene
- 12 practitioners may only engage in professional practice in the
- 13 practice sites enumerated under section 11.10(c).
- 14 Section 2. The act is amended by adding sections to read:
- 15 <u>Section 11.9. Dental Hygienists; Supervision; Practice. (a)</u>
- 16 <u>Classifications developed by the American Society of</u>
- 17 Anesthesiologists shall not be a factor in determining the level
- 18 of supervision required by dental hygienists. The supervising
- 19 dentist and the dental hygienist shall determine the appropriate
- 20 <u>level of supervision for each patient based on the patient's</u>
- 21 <u>health and history.</u>
- 22 (b) In addition to existing authority, a dental hygienist
- 23 may perform the following in any setting under the general
- 24 <u>supervision of a dentist:</u>
- 25 <u>(1) Radiologic procedures.</u>
- 26 (2) Debridement.
- 27 (3) Soft tissue curettage.
- 28 <u>(4) Suture removal.</u>
- 29 <u>(5) Teeth filling.</u>
- 30 (c) A dental hygienist may administer local anesthesia under

- 1 the following conditions:
- 2 (1) The dental hygienist holds a current license in good
- 3 standing, is certified in basic life support and has provided
- 4 the board documentation evidencing one of the following:
- 5 (i) Graduation within the five years immediately preceding
- 6 the filing of the application from a dental hygiene school
- 7 accredited by the American Dental Association's Commission on
- 8 Dental Accreditation, which includes the successful completion
- 9 <u>of a course in the administration of local anesthesia.</u>
- 10 (ii) Successful completion within the five years immediately
- 11 preceding the filing of the application of a course consisting
- 12 of a minimum of thirty hours of instruction in the
- 13 <u>administration of local anesthesia sponsored by an education</u>
- 14 program accredited by the American Dental Association's
- 15 <u>Commission on Dental Accreditation.</u>
- 16 <u>(iii) Possession of a current license or permit issued by</u>
- 17 <u>the proper licensing authority of another state, territory or</u>
- 18 district, or by Canada, where the dental hygienist is authorized
- 19 under the laws of that jurisdiction to administer local
- 20 anesthesia, provided that the dental hygienist has been actively
- 21 engaged in the administration of local anesthesia within the
- 22 five years immediately preceding the filing of the application
- 23 and that the applicable jurisdiction required, as a condition of
- 24 <u>receiving the license or permit, that the dental hygienist</u>
- 25 complete a course in the administration of local anesthesia
- 26 accredited by the American Dental Association's Commission on
- 27 Dental Accreditation or its Canadian counterpart.
- 28 (2) The dental hygienist has applied for and received a
- 29 permit from the board and paid any required permit fee.
- 30 (d) In addition to other locations set forth in law, a

- 1 dental hygienist may provide dental services in free clinics.
- 2 <u>Section 11.10. Independent Dental Hygiene Practitioners.</u>
- 3 (a) An independent dental hygiene practitioner must be
- 4 certified by the board upon meeting the following criteria:
- 5 (1) completion of one thousand eight hundred hours of
- 6 practice under the supervision of a dentist; and
- 7 (2) purchase of a professional liability policy in an amount
- 8 <u>determined to be adequate by the board.</u>
- 9 (b) Following certification by the board under subsection
- 10 (a), an independent dental hygiene practitioner may, without the
- 11 <u>supervision of a dentist:</u>
- 12 <u>(1) Perform any procedure a dental hygienist may perform.</u>
- 13 <u>(2) Order and administer fluoride treatments and products,</u>
- 14 to include fluoride varnish, home fluoride treatment and other
- 15 <u>such fluoride containing products as may be necessary to prevent</u>
- 16 dental caries.
- 17 (3) Order dental equipment.
- 18 (c) An independent dental hygiene practitioner shall limit
- 19 the practitioner's professional practice to the following
- 20 practice sites:
- 21 <u>(1) Schools.</u>
- 22 (2) Correctional facilities.
- 23 (3) Health care facilities.
- 24 (4) "Personal care homes" as defined in section 1001 of the
- 25 act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the "Public
- 26 Welfare Code."
- 27 (5) "Domiciliary care" as defined in section 2202 A of the
- 28 act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as "The
- 29 Administrative Code of 1929."
- 30 (6) An "older adult daily living center" as defined in

- 1 section 2 of the act of July 11, 1990 (P.L.499, No.118), known
- 2 <u>as the "Older Adult Daily Living Centers Licensing Act."</u>
- 3 (7) A "facility" as defined in section 3 of the act of June
- 4 18, 1984 (P.L.391, No.82), known as the "Continuing Care
- 5 Provider Registration and Disclosure Act."
- 6 (8) A public or private institution under the jurisdiction
- 7 of a Federal, State or local agency.
- 8 (9) Day care centers as defined in Articles IX and X of the
- 9 "Public Welfare Code."
- 10 (10) Facilities operating Head Start programs established by
- 11 the Omnibus Budget and Reconciliation Act of 1981 (Public Law
- 12 97 35, 95 Stat. 357).
- 13 <u>(11) Free clinics.</u>
- 14 (12) Other institutions the board deems appropriate.
- 15 Section 3. The State Board of Dentistry shall promulgate
- 16 regulations to implement the amendment or addition of sections
- 17 2, 11.9 and 11.10 of the act within 18 months of the effective
- 18 date of this act.
- 19 Section 4. This act shall take effect in 60 days.
- 20 SECTION 1. THE DEFINITION OF "EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL
- 21 ASSISTANT" IN SECTION 2 OF THE ACT OF MAY 1, 1933 (P.L.216,
- 22 NO.76), KNOWN AS THE DENTAL LAW, ADDED DECEMBER 27, 1994
- 23 (P.L.1361, NO.160), IS AMENDED AND THE SECTION IS AMENDED BY
- 24 ADDING A DEFINITION TO READ:
- 25 SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.--* * *
- 26 "EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO
- 27 HOLDS A CURRENT VALID CERTIFICATION UNDER THIS ACT TO PERFORM
- 28 REVERSIBLE INTRAORAL PROCEDURES AUTHORIZED BY THIS ACT UNDER THE
- 29 DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST AND UNDER AN ASSIGNMENT
- 30 OF DUTIES BY A DENTIST, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 11.8. [SUCH

- 1 PROCEDURES INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, PLACING AND REMOVING
- 2 RUBBER DAMS AND MATRICES, PLACING AND CONTOURING AMALGAM AND
- 3 OTHER RESTORATIVE MATERIALS AND OTHER REVERSIBLE PROCEDURES NOT
- 4 DESIGNATED BY THIS ACT TO BE PERFORMED ONLY BY LICENSED DENTISTS
- 5 OR DENTAL HYGIENISTS. EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANTS SHALL
- 6 NOT PERFORM THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES:
- 7 (A) COMPLETE OR LIMITED EXAMINATION, DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT
- 8 PLANNING.
- 9 (B) SURGICAL OR CUTTING PROCEDURES OF HARD OR SOFT TISSUE.
- 10 (C) PRESCRIBING DRUGS, MEDICAMENTS OR WORK AUTHORIZATIONS.
- 11 (D) TAKING IMPRESSIONS OTHER THAN FOR STUDY MODELS OR
- 12 DIAGNOSTIC CASTS.
- 13 (E) FINAL INSPECTION AND APPROVAL OF RESTORATIVE AND OTHER
- 14 TREATMENT WHICH AFFECTS OCCLUSION AND ANY NECESSARY OCCLUSAL
- 15 ADJUSTMENTS.
- 16 (F) PERFORMING PULP CAPPING, PULPOTOMY AND OTHER ENDODONTIC
- 17 PROCEDURES.
- 18 (G) PLACEMENT AND INTRAORAL ADJUSTMENTS OF FIXED AND
- 19 REMOVABLE PROSTHETIC APPLIANCES.
- 20 (H) ADMINISTRATION OF LOCAL ANESTHESIA, PARENTERAL OR
- 21 INHALATIONAL SEDATION OR GENERAL ANESTHESIA.
- 22 EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANTS SHALL PERFORM UNDER THE
- 23 DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A DENTIST. DIRECT SUPERVISION MEANS THAT A
- 24 DENTIST IS IN THE DENTAL OFFICE OR TREATMENT FACILITY,
- 25 PERSONALLY DIAGNOSES THE CONDITION TO BE TREATED, PERSONALLY
- 26 AUTHORIZES THE PROCEDURE AND REMAINS IN THE DENTAL OFFICE OR
- 27 TREATMENT FACILITY WHILE THE PROCEDURE IS BEING PERFORMED BY THE
- 28 EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT AND, BEFORE DISMISSAL OF THE
- 29 PATIENT, EVALUATES THE WORK PERFORMED BY THE EXPANDED FUNCTION
- 30 DENTAL ASSISTANT.] IN ADDITION, AN EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL

- 1 ASSISTANT MAY PERFORM THOSE PROCEDURES SPECIFIED IN SECTION
- 2 11.10 AND OTHER REVERSIBLE PROCEDURES NOT DESIGNATED BY THIS ACT
- 3 TO BE PERFORMED BY LICENSED DENTISTS OR DENTAL HYGIENISTS. FOR
- 4 PURPOSES OF THIS DEFINITION, "DIRECT SUPERVISION" SHALL MEAN
- 5 THAT A DENTIST IS IN THE DENTAL OFFICE OR TREATMENT FACILITY,
- 6 PERSONALLY DIAGNOSES THE CONDITION TO BE TREATED, PERSONALLY
- 7 AUTHORIZES THE PROCEDURE AND REMAINS IN THE DENTAL OFFICE OR
- 8 TREATMENT FACILITY WHILE THE PROCEDURE IS BEING PERFORMED AND,
- 9 BEFORE DISMISSAL OF THE PATIENT, EVALUATES THE WORK PERFORMED.
- 10 * * *
- 11 <u>"CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO MEETS</u>
- 12 ALL OF THE QUALIFICATIONS SET FORTH IN SECTION 11.11 AND IS
- 13 CERTIFIED BY THE STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY.
- 14 SECTION 2. SECTION 3(A), (B), (G) AND (M) OF THE ACT,
- 15 AMENDED DECEMBER 27, 1994 (P.L.1361, NO.160), ARE AMENDED AND
- 16 THE SECTION IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SUBSECTION TO READ:
- 17 SECTION 3. GENERAL POWERS OF THE STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY.--
- 18 THE STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY (HEREINAFTER CALLED THE BOARD)
- 19 SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING POWERS AND DUTIES:
- 20 (A) TO ESTABLISH AND ALTER, FROM TIME TO TIME, THE STANDARDS
- 21 OF PRELIMINARY AND PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND THE TRAINING
- 22 REQUIRED FOR LICENSURE TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY AND AS DENTAL
- 23 HYGIENISTS AND CERTIFICATION FOR EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL
- 24 ASSISTANTS AND CERTIFICATION FOR DENTAL ASSISTANTS.
- 25 (B) TO INVESTIGATE AND DETERMINE THE ACCEPTABILITY AND TO
- 26 APPROVE AND DISAPPROVE INSTITUTIONS AND COLLEGES OF THIS STATE
- 27 AND OF OTHER STATES AND COUNTRIES FOR THE EDUCATION OF STUDENTS
- 28 DESIRING TO BE LICENSED TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY OR AS DENTAL
- 29 HYGIENISTS OR TO BE CERTIFIED AS EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL
- 30 ASSISTANTS OR TO BE CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANTS, AND TO REVOKE

- 1 APPROVALS WHERE SUCH INSTITUTIONS AND COLLEGES NO LONGER ARE
- 2 DEEMED PROPER.
- 3 * * *
- 4 (D.2) (1) TO PROVIDE FOR AND TO REGULATE THE CERTIFICATION,
- 5 AND TO CERTIFY AS DENTAL ASSISTANTS INDIVIDUALS WHO MEET THE
- 6 REQUIREMENTS UNDER CLAUSE (2).
- 7 (2) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE CERTIFICATION AS A DENTAL ASSISTANT
- 8 TO AN APPLICANT WHO SUBMITS AN APPLICATION APPROVED BY THE
- 9 BOARD, PAYS A FEE SET BY THE BOARD AND MEETS THE FOLLOWING
- 10 REQUIREMENTS:
- 11 (I) VERIFIES TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE BOARD AT LEAST THREE
- 12 THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED HOURS OF CLINICAL EXPERIENCE PERFORMING
- 13 THE FUNCTIONS OF A DENTAL ASSISTANT.
- 14 (II) HOLDS A CURRENT CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION
- 15 <u>CERTIFICATION</u>.
- 16 (III) HAS SUCCESSFULLY PASSED THE DENTAL ASSISTANT NATIONAL
- 17 BOARD'S CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT EXAMINATION.
- 18 * * *
- 19 (G) TO PRESCRIBE THE PROFESSIONAL TITLE OR OTHER DESIGNATION
- 20 WHICH ANY PERSON LICENSED OR CERTIFIED UNDER THIS ACT MAY USE IN
- 21 CONNECTION WITH HIS OR HER NAME IN THE PRACTICE OF DENTISTRY OR
- 22 AS A DENTAL HYGIENIST OR AS AN EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL
- 23 ASSISTANT OR AS A CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT, TO REGULATE THE
- 24 USE OF THE SAME, AND TO PROSECUTE THOSE WHO ILLEGALLY USE THE
- 25 SAME.
- 26 * * *
- 27 (M) TO ADMINISTER AND ENFORCE THE LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH
- 28 RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENISTS AND
- 29 CERTIFIED EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANTS AND CERTIFIED
- 30 DENTAL ASSISTANTS, AND TO INSTRUCT AND REQUIRE ITS AGENTS TO

- 1 BRING PROSECUTIONS FOR UNAUTHORIZED AND UNLAWFUL PRACTICES.
- 2 * * *
- 3 SECTION 3. SECTIONS 4(A), 4.1, 10, 10.1, 11, 11.5 AND 11.8
- 4 OF THE ACT, AMENDED DECEMBER 27, 1994 (P.L.1361, NO.160), ARE
- 5 AMENDED TO READ:
- 6 SECTION 4. FEES.--(A) THE FEE FOR AN APPLICANT FOR
- 7 EXAMINATION AND LICENSURE TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY OR AS A DENTAL
- 8 HYGIENIST OR CERTIFICATION FOR AN EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL
- 9 ASSISTANT OR CERTIFICATION AS A DENTAL ASSISTANT IN THIS
- 10 COMMONWEALTH SHALL BE FIXED BY THE BOARD BY REGULATION. IT SHALL
- 11 BE THE DUTY OF ALL PERSONS NOW QUALIFIED AND ENGAGED IN THE
- 12 PRACTICE OF DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENE OR AS A CERTIFIED
- 13 EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR CERTIFIED DENTAL
- 14 ASSISTANT, OR WHO SHALL HEREAFTER BE LICENSED OR CERTIFIED BY
- 15 THE BOARD, TO RENEW BIENNIALLY WITH SAID BOARD, AND PAY FOR EACH
- 16 SUCH BIENNIAL RENEWAL A FEE WHICH SHALL BE FIXED BY THE BOARD BY
- 17 REGULATION.
- 18 * * *
- 19 SECTION 4.1. REASON FOR REFUSAL, REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION OF
- 20 LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE. -- (A) THE BOARD SHALL HAVE AUTHORITY, BY
- 21 MAJORITY ACTION, TO REFUSE, REVOKE OR SUSPEND THE LICENSE OF ANY
- 22 DENTIST OR DENTAL HYGIENIST OR CERTIFICATE OF AN EXPANDED
- 23 FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR CERTIFICATE OF A DENTAL ASSISTANT
- 24 FOR ANY OR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING REASONS:
- 25 (1) FAILING TO DEMONSTRATE THE QUALIFICATIONS OR STANDARDS
- 26 FOR A LICENSE CONTAINED IN THIS ACT OR REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD.
- 27 (2) MAKING MISLEADING, DECEPTIVE, UNTRUE OR FRAUDULENT
- 28 REPRESENTATIONS.
- 29 (3) PRACTICING FRAUD OR DECEIT IN OBTAINING A LICENSE TO
- 30 PRACTICE DENTISTRY OR DENTAL HYGIENE OR CERTIFICATE FOR EXPANDED

- 1 FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTING <u>OR CERTIFICATE OF DENTAL ASSISTING</u> OR
- 2 MAKING A FALSE OR DECEPTIVE BIENNIAL RENEWAL WITH THE BOARD.
- 3 (4) HAVING BEEN FOUND GUILTY OF A CRIME OR MISDEMEANOR
- 4 INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE OR HAVING BEEN FOUND GUILTY OF A
- 5 FELONY IN VIOLATION OF THE LAWS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH OR ANY
- 6 OTHER STATE, TERRITORY OR COUNTRY. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS CLAUSE
- 7 (4), THE PHRASE "HAVING BEEN FOUND GUILTY" SHALL INCLUDE A
- 8 FINDING OR VERDICT OF GUILT, AN ADMISSION OF GUILT OR A PLEA OF
- 9 NOLO CONTENDERE.
- 10 (5) HAVING A LICENSE TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY OR DENTAL HYGIENE
- 11 OR CERTIFICATE FOR EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTING OR
- 12 <u>CERTIFICATE FOR DENTAL ASSISTING</u> REVOKED, SUSPENDED OR HAVING
- 13 OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION IMPOSED OR CONSENTED TO BY THE PROPER
- 14 LICENSING AUTHORITY OF ANOTHER STATE, TERRITORY OR COUNTRY OR
- 15 HIS APPLICATION FOR LICENSE REFUSED, REVOKED OR SUSPENDED BY THE
- 16 PROPER LICENSING AUTHORITY OF ANOTHER STATE, TERRITORY OR
- 17 COUNTRY.
- 18 (6) VIOLATING ANY OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT OR OF A
- 19 LAWFUL REGULATION PROMULGATED BY THE BOARD OR VIOLATING A LAWFUL
- 20 ORDER OF THE BOARD PREVIOUSLY ENTERED BY THE BOARD IN A
- 21 DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDING.
- 22 (7) KNOWINGLY MAINTAINING A PROFESSIONAL CONNECTION OR
- 23 ASSOCIATION WITH ANY PERSON WHO IS IN VIOLATION OF THIS ACT OR
- 24 REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD OR KNOWINGLY AIDING, ASSISTING,
- 25 PROCURING OR ADVISING ANY UNLICENSED PERSON TO PRACTICE
- 26 DENTISTRY OR DENTAL HYGIENE OR UNCERTIFIED PERSON FOR EXPANDED
- 27 FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTING OR UNCERTIFIED PERSON FOR CERTIFIED
- 28 DENTAL ASSISTING CONTRARY TO THIS ACT OR REGULATIONS OF THE
- 29 BOARD.
- 30 (8) ENGAGING IN UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS

- 1 CLAUSE (8), UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT SHALL INCLUDE ANY DEPARTURE
- 2 FROM, OR FAILURE TO CONFORM TO, THE STANDARDS OF ACCEPTABLE AND
- 3 PREVAILING DENTAL OR DENTAL HYGIENE PRACTICE AND STANDARD OF
- 4 CARE FOR EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANTS AND CERTIFIED
- 5 DENTAL ASSISTANTS IN WHICH PROCEEDING ACTUAL INJURY TO THE
- 6 PATIENT NEED NOT BE ESTABLISHED.
- 7 (9) COMMITTING AN ACT OF GROSS NEGLIGENCE, MALPRACTICE OR
- 8 INCOMPETENCE OR REPEATED ACTS OF NEGLIGENCE, MALPRACTICE OR
- 9 INCOMPETENCE.
- 10 (10) ENGAGING IN FALSE, MISLEADING OR DECEPTIVE ADVERTISING.
- 11 (11) BEING UNABLE TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY OR AS A DENTAL
- 12 HYGIENIST OR AS AN EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR AS A
- 13 <u>CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT</u> WITH REASONABLE SKILL AND SAFETY TO
- 14 PATIENTS BY REASON OF ILLNESS, DRUNKENNESS, EXCESSIVE USE OF
- 15 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES, CHEMICALS OR ANY OTHER TYPE OF MATERIAL,
- 16 OR AS THE RESULT OF ANY MENTAL OR PHYSICAL CONDITION. IN
- 17 ENFORCING THIS CLAUSE (11), THE BOARD SHALL, UPON PROBABLE
- 18 CAUSE, HAVE AUTHORITY TO COMPEL A DENTIST, DENTAL HYGIENIST
- 19 [OR], EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR CERTIFIED DENTAL
- 20 ASSISTANT TO SUBMIT TO A MENTAL OR PHYSICAL EXAMINATION BY
- 21 PHYSICIANS DESIGNATED BY THE BOARD. FAILURE OF A DENTIST, DENTAL
- 22 HYGIENIST [OR], EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR CERTIFIED
- 23 DENTAL ASSISTANT TO SUBMIT TO SUCH EXAMINATION WHEN DIRECTED BY
- 24 THE BOARD, UNLESS SUCH FAILURE IS DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND
- 25 HIS CONTROL, SHALL CONSTITUTE AN ADMISSION OF THE ALLEGATIONS
- 26 AGAINST HIM, CONSEQUENT UPON WHICH A DEFAULT AND FINAL ORDER MAY
- 27 BE ENTERED WITHOUT THE TAKING OF TESTIMONY OR PRESENTATION OF
- 28 EVIDENCE. A DENTIST, DENTAL HYGIENIST [OR], EXPANDED FUNCTION
- 29 DENTAL ASSISTANT <u>OR CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT</u> AFFECTED UNDER
- 30 THIS CLAUSE (11) SHALL, AT REASONABLE INTERVALS, BE AFFORDED AN

- 1 OPPORTUNITY TO DEMONSTRATE THAT HE OR SHE CAN RESUME A COMPETENT
- 2 PRACTICE OF DENTISTRY, DENTAL HYGIENE [OR], AS AN EXPANDED
- 3 FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR AS A CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT
- 4 WITH REASONABLE SKILL AND SAFETY TO PATIENTS.
- 5 (B) WHEN THE BOARD FINDS THAT THE LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE OF
- 6 ANY PERSON MAY BE REFUSED, REVOKED OR SUSPENDED UNDER THE TERMS
- 7 OF THIS SECTION, THE BOARD MAY:
- 8 (1) DENY THE APPLICATION FOR LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE.
- 9 (2) ADMINISTER A PUBLIC REPRIMAND.
- 10 (3) REVOKE, SUSPEND, LIMIT OR OTHERWISE RESTRICT A LICENSE
- 11 OR CERTIFICATE AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD. UNLESS ORDERED TO DO
- 12 SO BY A COURT, THE BOARD SHALL NOT REINSTATE THE LICENSE OF A
- 13 PERSON TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY, OR AS A DENTAL HYGIENIST OR
- 14 CERTIFICATE OF AN EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR
- 15 <u>CERTIFICATE OF A DENTAL ASSISTANT</u>, WHICH HAS BEEN REVOKED, AND
- 16 SUCH PERSON SHALL BE REQUIRED TO APPLY FOR A LICENSE OR
- 17 CERTIFICATE AFTER A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION
- 18 3, IF HE OR SHE DESIRES TO PRACTICE AT ANY TIME AFTER SUCH
- 19 REVOCATION. ANY PERSON WHOSE LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN
- 20 SUSPENDED OR REVOKED BECAUSE OF A FELONY CONVICTION UNDER THE
- 21 ACT OF APRIL 14, 1972 (P.L.233, NO.64), KNOWN AS "THE CONTROLLED
- 22 SUBSTANCE, DRUG, DEVICE AND COSMETIC ACT, " OR SIMILAR LAW OF
- 23 ANOTHER JURISDICTION, MAY APPLY FOR REINSTATEMENT AFTER A PERIOD
- 24 OF AT LEAST TEN (10) YEARS HAS ELAPSED FROM THE DATE OF
- 25 CONVICTION. THE BOARD MAY REINSTATE THE LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE
- 26 IF THE BOARD IS SATISFIED THAT THE PERSON HAS MADE SIGNIFICANT
- 27 PROGRESS IN PERSONAL REHABILITATION SINCE THE CONVICTION SUCH
- 28 THAT HIS REINSTATEMENT SHOULD NOT BE EXPECTED TO CREATE A
- 29 SUBSTANTIAL RISK OF HARM TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF HIS
- 30 PATIENTS OR THE PUBLIC OR A SUBSTANTIAL RISK OF FURTHER CRIMINAL

- 1 VIOLATIONS AND IF THE PERSON MEETS ALL OTHER LICENSING OR
- 2 CERTIFYING QUALIFICATIONS OF THIS ACT, INCLUDING THE EXAMINATION
- 3 REQUIREMENT.
- 4 (4) REQUIRE A LICENSEE OR CERTIFIED EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL
- 5 ASSISTANT OR CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT TO SUBMIT TO THE CARE,
- 6 COUNSELING OR TREATMENT OF A PHYSICIAN OR PSYCHOLOGIST
- 7 DESIGNATED BY THE BOARD.
- 8 (5) REQUIRE THAT A LICENSEE OR CERTIFIED EXPANDED FUNCTION
- 9 DENTAL ASSISTANT OR CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT SUCCESSFULLY
- 10 COMPLETE A COURSE OF EDUCATIONAL TRAINING AND TESTING AS
- 11 DIRECTED BY THE BOARD.
- 12 (6) RESTORE OR REISSUE, IN ITS DISCRETION, A LICENSE TO
- 13 PRACTICE DENTISTRY OR DENTAL HYGIENE OR CERTIFICATE FOR AN
- 14 EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR DENTAL ASSISTANT AND
- 15 IMPOSE ANY DISCIPLINARY OR CORRECTIVE MEASURES WHICH IT MIGHT
- 16 ORIGINALLY HAVE IMPOSED.
- 17 (7) SUSPEND ENFORCEMENT OF ITS FINDINGS THEREOF AND PLACE A
- 18 LICENSEE OR CERTIFIED EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR
- 19 CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT ON PROBATION WITH THE RIGHT TO VACATE
- 20 THE PROBATIONARY ORDER FOR NONCOMPLIANCE.
- 21 (8) ORDER ANY PERSON FOUND TO HAVE VIOLATED ANY PROVISION OF
- 22 THIS ACT OR THE REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE PRACTICE OF DENTISTRY
- 23 TO RESTORE TO ANY PATIENT AGGRIEVED BY AN UNLAWFUL ACT OR
- 24 PRACTICE, ANY MONEYS OR PROPERTY, REAL OR PERSONAL, ACQUIRED BY
- 25 MEANS OF SUCH ACT OR PRACTICE, PROVIDED THE BOARD SHALL NOT
- 26 ORDER RESTITUTION IN A DOLLAR AMOUNT GREATER THAN THOSE MONEYS
- 27 RECEIVED BY THE LICENSEE OR HIS AGENT.
- 28 (C) ALL ACTIONS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE TAKEN SUBJECT TO THE
- 29 RIGHT OF NOTICE, HEARING AND ADJUDICATION AND THE RIGHT OF
- 30 APPEAL THEREFROM IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 2 OF THE PENNSYLVANIA

- 1 CONSOLIDATED STATUTES (RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE LAW AND
- 2 PROCEDURE).
- 3 (D) THE BOARD SHALL TEMPORARILY SUSPEND A LICENSE OR
- 4 CERTIFICATE UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD TO BE
- 5 AN IMMEDIATE AND CLEAR DANGER TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH OR SAFETY.
- 6 THE BOARD SHALL ISSUE AN ORDER TO THAT EFFECT WITHOUT A HEARING,
- 7 BUT UPON DUE NOTICE, TO THE LICENSEE OR CERTIFIED EXPANDED
- 8 FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT
- 9 CONCERNED AT HIS LAST KNOWN ADDRESS, WHICH SHALL INCLUDE A
- 10 WRITTEN STATEMENT OF ALL ALLEGATIONS AGAINST THE LICENSEE OR
- 11 CERTIFIED EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR CERTIFIED DENTAL
- 12 <u>ASSISTANT</u>. THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (C) SHALL NOT APPLY TO
- 13 TEMPORARY SUSPENSION. THE BOARD SHALL THEREUPON COMMENCE FORMAL
- 14 ACTION TO SUSPEND, REVOKE OR RESTRICT THE LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE
- 15 OF THE PERSON CONCERNED AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR IN THIS ACT.
- 16 ALL ACTIONS SHALL BE TAKEN PROMPTLY AND WITHOUT DELAY. WITHIN
- 17 THIRTY DAYS FOLLOWING THE ISSUANCE OF AN ORDER TEMPORARILY
- 18 SUSPENDING A LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE, THE BOARD SHALL CONDUCT, OR
- 19 CAUSE TO BE CONDUCTED, A PRELIMINARY HEARING TO DETERMINE THAT
- 20 THERE IS A PRIMA FACIE CASE SUPPORTING THE SUSPENSION. THE
- 21 PERSON WHOSE LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN TEMPORARILY
- 22 SUSPENDED MAY BE PRESENT AT THE PRELIMINARY HEARING AND MAY BE
- 23 REPRESENTED BY COUNSEL, CROSS-EXAMINE WITNESSES, INSPECT
- 24 PHYSICAL EVIDENCE, CALL WITNESSES, OFFER EVIDENCE AND TESTIMONY
- 25 AND MAKE A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS. IF IT IS DETERMINED THAT
- 26 THERE IS NOT A PRIMA FACIE CASE, THE SUSPENDED LICENSE OR
- 27 CERTIFICATE SHALL BE IMMEDIATELY RESTORED. THE TEMPORARY
- 28 SUSPENSION SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL VACATED BY THE BOARD,
- 29 BUT IN NO EVENT LONGER THAN ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY DAYS.
- 30 (E) THE BOARD SHALL REQUIRE A PERSON WHOSE LICENSE OR

- 1 CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN SUSPENDED OR REVOKED TO RETURN THE LICENSE
- 2 OR CERTIFICATE IN SUCH MANNER AS THE BOARD DIRECTS. FAILURE TO
- 3 DO SO SHALL BE A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD DEGREE.
- 4 SECTION 10. PENALTIES.--(A) IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON
- 5 TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY OR AS A DENTAL HYGIENIST OR AS AN EXPANDED
- 6 FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR AS A CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT, OR
- 7 TO HOLD HIMSELF OR HERSELF OUT AS A PRACTITIONER OF OR ENTITLED
- 8 OR AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY OR AS A DENTAL HYGIENIST OR
- 9 AS AN EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR AS A CERTIFIED
- 10 <u>DENTAL ASSISTANT</u>, OR TO ASSUME ANY TITLE OF "DENTIST," "DENTAL
- 11 SURGEON, " "DENTAL HYGIENIST, " EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL
- 12 ASSISTANT" OR "CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT" OR OTHER LETTERS OR
- 13 TITLES IN CONNECTION WITH HIS OR HER NAME WHICH IN ANY WAY
- 14 REPRESENT HIM OR HER AS BEING ENGAGED IN THE PRACTICE OF
- 15 DENTISTRY OR AS A DENTAL HYGIENIST OR AS AN EXPANDED FUNCTION
- 16 DENTAL ASSISTANT <u>OR AS A CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT</u>, OR
- 17 AUTHORIZED SO TO DO, UNLESS HE OR SHE HAS BEEN DULY LICENSED OR
- 18 CERTIFIED, AND AUTHORIZED TO ENGAGE IN SUCH PRACTICE UNDER THE
- 19 PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT. A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SUBSECTION
- 20 COMMITS A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD DEGREE AND SHALL, UPON
- 21 CONVICTION, FOR A FIRST OFFENSE, BE SENTENCED TO A FINE NOT TO
- 22 EXCEED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000) OR TO IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT
- 23 MORE THAN SIX MONTHS, OR BOTH. A SECOND OFFENSE SHALL BE SUBJECT
- 24 TO A FINE NOT TO EXCEED TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000) OR
- 25 IMPRISONMENT FOR A TERM OF SIX MONTHS TO ONE YEAR, OR BOTH.
- 26 (B) IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY OR
- 27 AS A DENTAL HYGIENIST OR AS AN EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL
- 28 ASSISTANT OR AS A CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT UNDER A NAME OTHER
- 29 THAN THAT ON HIS OR HER LICENSE AND BIENNIAL RENEWAL, OR TO
- 30 PRACTICE UNDER THE NAME ON HIS OR HER LICENSE AND BIENNIAL

- 1 RENEWAL WITH ANY ADDITION THERETO, EXCEPT A PURELY TECHNICAL
- 2 APPELLATION SUCH AS "DENTIST," "D.D.S.," "ORTHODONTIST" OR OTHER
- 3 WORD OR LETTERS PERTAINING STRICTLY TO THE PRACTICE OF
- 4 DENTISTRY, OR TO INDUCE ANY PERSON TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY OR AS A
- 5 DENTAL HYGIENIST OR AS AN EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR
- 6 AS A CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT IN VIOLATION OF THIS ACT.
- 7 (C) IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO SELL, OFFER TO SELL OR
- 8 BARTER OR EXCHANGE ANY DIPLOMA OR DOCUMENT CONFERRING OR
- 9 PURPORTING TO CONFER ANY DENTAL DEGREE OR ANY LICENSE OR
- 10 CERTIFICATE ISSUED ACCORDING TO LAW REGULATING THE LICENSING OF
- 11 DENTISTS OR DENTAL HYGIENISTS OR EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL
- 12 ASSISTANTS <u>OR CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANTS</u>, OR TO ALTER ANY SUCH
- 13 DOCUMENT WITH FRAUDULENT INTENT, OR TO USE IT AS A LICENSE TO
- 14 PRACTICE DENTISTRY UNDER AN ASSUMED NAME, OR TO MAKE ANY FALSE
- 15 STATEMENT IN AN AFFIDAVIT RELATING TO OR IN AN APPLICATION FOR A
- 16 LICENSE.
- 17 (D) IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY OR
- 18 AS A DENTAL HYGIENIST OR AS AN EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL
- 19 ASSISTANT OR AS A CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT UNLESS HIS OR HER
- 20 LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE AND BIENNIAL RENEWAL CERTIFICATE ARE
- 21 DISPLAYED IN THE OFFICE IN WHICH HE OR SHE IS PRACTICING
- 22 DENTISTRY OR AS A DENTAL HYGIENIST OR AS AN EXPANDED FUNCTION
- 23 DENTAL ASSISTANT OR AS A CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT.
- 24 (E) IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR A PERSON PRACTICING DENTISTRY TO
- 25 EMPLOY A PERSON AS A DENTAL HYGIENIST UNLESS SUCH PERSON IS
- 26 LICENSED AS A DENTAL HYGIENIST AS REQUIRED BY THIS ACT AND THE
- 27 RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD OR TO EMPLOY A PERSON AS AN
- 28 EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT UNLESS SUCH PERSON IS
- 29 CERTIFIED AS AN EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT AS REQUIRED
- 30 BY THIS ACT AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD. $\underline{\text{IT IS}}$

- 1 <u>UNLAWFUL FOR A PERSON PRACTICING DENTISTRY TO EMPLOY A PERSON AS</u>
- 2 <u>A CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT UNLESS SUCH PERSON IS CERTIFIED AS</u>
- 3 A CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT AS REQUIRED BY THIS ACT AND THE
- 4 RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD.
- 5 (F) IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY DENTIST TO PERMIT ANY DENTAL
- 6 HYGIENIST OPERATING UNDER HIS GENERAL SUPERVISION TO PERFORM ANY
- 7 OPERATION OTHER THAN THOSE INCLUDED WITHIN PRACTICE AS A "DENTAL
- 8 HYGIENIST, " AS DEFINED BY SECTION TWO OF THIS ACT. IT IS
- 9 UNLAWFUL FOR ANY DENTIST TO PERMIT ANY EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL
- 10 ASSISTANT OPERATING UNDER HIS OR HER DIRECT SUPERVISION TO
- 11 PERFORM ANY PROCEDURES OTHER THAN THOSE INCLUDED WITHIN THE
- 12 DEFINITION OF "EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT." IT IS
- 13 <u>UNLAWFUL FOR ANY DENTIST TO PERMIT ANY CERTIFIED DENTAL</u>
- 14 ASSISTANT OPERATING UNDER HIS DIRECT SUPERVISION TO PERFORM ANY
- 15 PROCEDURES OTHER THAN THOSE INCLUDED WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF
- 16 <u>"CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT."</u>
- 17 (G) IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY DENTAL HYGIENIST TO PERFORM ANY
- 18 OF THE OPERATIONS INCLUDED IN PRACTICE AS A "DENTAL HYGIENIST,"
- 19 AS DEFINED BY SECTION TWO OF THIS ACT, EXCEPT UNDER THE GENERAL
- 20 SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST. IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY
- 21 EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT TO PERFORM ANY PROCEDURE
- 22 WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF "EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT"
- 23 WHICH REQUIRES CERTIFICATION UNDER THIS ACT UNLESS SUCH
- 24 PROCEDURE IS PERFORMED UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A
- 25 LICENSED DENTIST. <u>IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY CERTIFIED DENTAL</u>
- 26 ASSISTANT TO PERFORM ANY PROCEDURE WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF
- 27 "CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT" WHICH REQUIRES CERTIFICATION UNDER
- 28 THIS ACT UNLESS SUCH PROCEDURE IS PERFORMED UNDER THE DIRECT
- 29 <u>SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST.</u>
- 30 (H) ANY PERSON VIOLATING ANY OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS

- 1 SECTION OTHER THAN SUBSECTION (A), OR ANY OTHER PROVISIONS OF
- 2 THIS ACT EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (A), SHALL BE GUILTY
- 3 OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE
- 4 SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS, OR
- 5 TO SUFFER IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING SIX MONTHS, OR BOTH, IN THE
- 6 DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 7 SECTION 10.1. CIVIL PENALTIES. -- IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER
- 8 CIVIL REMEDY OR CRIMINAL PENALTY PROVIDED FOR IN THIS ACT, THE
- 9 BOARD, BY A VOTE OF THE MAJORITY OF THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF THE
- 10 AUTHORIZED MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD AS PROVIDED BY LAW, OR BY A
- 11 VOTE OF THE MAJORITY OF THE DULY QUALIFIED AND CONFIRMED
- 12 MEMBERSHIP OR A MINIMUM OF SIX MEMBERS, WHICHEVER IS GREATER,
- 13 MAY LEVY A CIVIL PENALTY OF UP TO ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000)
- 14 ON ANY CURRENT LICENSEE WHO VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF THIS ACT
- 15 OR ON ANY PERSON WHO PRACTICES DENTISTRY OR AS A DENTAL
- 16 HYGIENIST OR AS AN EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR AS A
- 17 <u>CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT</u> WITHOUT BEING PROPERLY LICENSED OR
- 18 CERTIFIED TO DO SO UNDER THIS ACT. THE BOARD SHALL LEVY THIS
- 19 PENALTY ONLY AFTER AFFORDING THE ACCUSED PARTY THE OPPORTUNITY
- 20 FOR A HEARING AS PROVIDED IN TITLE 2 OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
- 21 CONSOLIDATED STATUTES (RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE LAW AND
- 22 PROCEDURE).
- 23 SECTION 11. RIGHT OF DENTISTS TO PRACTICE AS DENTAL
- 24 HYGIENISTS [AND AS], EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANTS AND
- 25 CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANTS; DENTAL SUPPLIES; DEATH
- 26 CERTIFICATIONS.--NOTHING CONTAINED IN THIS ACT SHALL BE
- 27 CONSTRUED AS PROHIBITING A DULY LICENSED AND REGISTERED DENTIST
- 28 FROM PERFORMING THE WORK OF A DENTAL HYGIENIST OR AN EXPANDED
- 29 FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR A CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT.
- 30 NOTHING CONTAINED IN THIS ACT OR ANY OTHER ACT SHALL BE

- 1 CONSTRUED AS PROHIBITING A DULY LICENSED DENTIST WHO IS A STAFF
- 2 MEMBER OF AN APPROVED HOSPITAL FROM EXECUTING A MEDICAL
- 3 CERTIFICATION IN CASE OF DEATH IF THE DENTIST ATTENDED THE
- 4 DECEASED DURING THE LAST ILLNESS, PROVIDED THE DEATH OCCURS IN
- 5 THE HOSPITAL AND THE DECEASED HAD BEEN ADMITTED ON THE DENTAL
- 6 SERVICE AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES ARE NOT SUCH AS TO REQUIRE A
- 7 REFERRAL TO THE CORONER UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ANY OTHER ACT.
- 8 NOTHING CONTAINED IN THIS ACT SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO PREVENT ANY
- 9 PERSON, COPARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION OR CORPORATION FROM
- 10 MANUFACTURING AND FURNISHING TO OR REPAIRING FOR, LICENSED
- 11 DENTISTS ARTIFICIAL TEETH, CROWNS, BRIDGES, PROSTHETIC WORK, AND
- 12 REGULATING APPLIANCES, BUT IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL AND CONSTITUTE
- 13 THE PRACTICE OF DENTISTRY FOR ANY PERSON TO FIT, OR ATTEMPT TO
- 14 FIT, OR TO FURNISH TO OR REPAIR FOR ANY OTHER PERSON ARTIFICIAL
- 15 TEETH, CROWNS, BRIDGES, PROSTHETIC WORK, OR APPLIANCES.
- 16 SECTION 11.5. REPORTING OF MULTIPLE LICENSURE OR
- 17 CERTIFICATION. -- ANY LICENSED DENTIST OR DENTAL HYGIENIST OR
- 18 CERTIFIED EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR CERTIFIED DENTAL
- 19 ASSISTANT OF THIS COMMONWEALTH WHO IS ALSO LICENSED TO PRACTICE
- 20 DENTISTRY OR AS A DENTAL HYGIENIST OR A CERTIFIED EXPANDED
- 21 FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT OR CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT IN ANY
- 22 OTHER STATE, TERRITORY OR COUNTRY SHALL REPORT THIS INFORMATION
- 23 TO THE BOARD ON THE BIENNIAL RENEWAL APPLICATION. ANY
- 24 DISCIPLINARY ACTION TAKEN IN OTHER STATES, TERRITORIES OR
- 25 COUNTRIES SHALL BE REPORTED TO THE BOARD ON THE BIENNIAL RENEWAL
- 26 APPLICATION OR WITHIN NINETY (90) DAYS OF DISPOSITION, WHICHEVER
- 27 IS SOONER. MULTIPLE LICENSURE OR CERTIFICATION SHALL BE NOTED BY
- 28 THE BOARD ON THE DENTIST'S, DENTAL HYGIENIST'S OR EXPANDED
- 29 FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT'S OR CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT'S
- 30 RECORD, AND SUCH STATE, TERRITORY OR COUNTRY SHALL BE NOTIFIED

- 1 BY THE BOARD OF ANY DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS TAKEN AGAINST THE
- 2 DENTIST OR DENTAL HYGIENIST IN THIS COMMONWEALTH.
- 3 SECTION 11.8. ADDITIONAL DEFINITION.--AS USED IN THIS ACT,
- 4 "ASSIGNMENT OF DUTIES" SHALL MEAN THE ASSIGNMENT BY A DENTIST TO
- 5 ANOTHER PERSON OF SERVICES AND PROCEDURES WHICH ARE PERFORMED IN
- 6 THE OFFICE OF A DENTIST. A DENTIST MAY ASSIGN TO SUCH COMPETENT
- 7 PERSON OR PERSONS AS THE DENTIST DEEMS APPROPRIATE THOSE
- 8 SERVICES AND PROCEDURES PERFORMED IN THE DENTAL OFFICE IN WHICH
- 9 THE DENTIST IS PRACTICING BUT WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE THE
- 10 PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE AND SKILL OF A DENTIST OR DENTAL
- 11 HYGIENIST OR EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT[.] OR CERTIFIED
- 12 DENTAL ASSISTANT. SUCH SERVICES AND PROCEDURES MAY INCLUDE
- 13 PLACING AND REMOVING RUBBER DAMS AND MATRICES. SUCH ASSIGNMENT
- 14 OF SERVICES AND PROCEDURES SHALL BE UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION
- 15 OF A LICENSED DENTIST. THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED AS
- 16 AUTHORIZING THE DELEGATION OR ASSIGNMENT OF DIAGNOSING,
- 17 TREATMENT PLANNING AND WRITING PRESCRIPTIONS FOR DRUGS OR
- 18 WRITING AUTHORIZATIONS FOR RESTORATIVE, PROSTHETIC OR
- 19 ORTHODONTIC APPLIANCES.
- 20 SECTION 4. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING SECTIONS TO READ:
- 21 SECTION 11.10. SCOPE OF PRACTICE FOR EXPANDED FUNCTION
- 22 DENTAL ASSISTANT.--(A) AN EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT
- 23 MAY PERFORM THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES:
- 24 (1) PLACING AND CONTOURING AMALGAM AND OTHER RESTORATIVE
- 25 MATERIALS.
- 26 <u>(2) PERFORM CORONAL POLISHING.</u>
- 27 (3) PERFORM FLUORIDE TREATMENTS, INCLUDING FLUORIDE VARNISH.
- 28 (4) TAKE IMPRESSIONS OF TEETH FOR ATHLETIC APPLIANCES.
- 29 (B) AN EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT MAY NOT PERFORM
- 30 THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES:

- 1 (1) COMPLETE OR LIMITED EXAMINATION, DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT
- 2 PLANNING.
- 3 (2) SURGICAL OR CUTTING PROCEDURES OF HARD OR SOFT TISSUE.
- 4 (3) PRESCRIBING DRUGS, MEDICAMENTS OR WORK AUTHORIZATIONS.
- 5 (4) TAKING IMPRESSIONS OTHER THAN FOR STUDY MODELS,
- 6 DIAGNOSTIC CASTS OR ATHLETIC APPLIANCES.
- 7 (5) FINAL INSPECTION AND APPROVAL OF RESTORATIVE AND OTHER
- 8 TREATMENT WHICH AFFECTS OCCLUSION AND ANY NECESSARY OCCLUSIAL
- 9 OCCLUSAL ADJUSTMENTS.
- 10 (6) PULP CAPPING, PULPOTOMY AND OTHER ENDODONTIC PROCEDURES.
- 11 (7) PLACEMENT AND INTRAORAL ADJUSTMENTS OF FIXED AND
- 12 <u>REMOVABLE PROSTHETIC APPLIANCES.</u>
- 13 (8) ADMINISTRATION OF LOCAL ANESTHESIA, PARENTERAL OR
- 14 INHALATIONAL SEDATION OR GENERAL ANESTHESIA.
- 15 SECTION 11.11. SCOPE OF PRACTICE FOR CERTIFIED DENTAL
- 16 ASSISTANT.--(A) A CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT IS AUTHORIZED TO
- 17 PERFORM REVERSIBLE INTRAORAL PROCEDURES UNDER THE DIRECT
- 18 SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST AND UNDER AN ASSIGNMENT OF
- 19 DUTIES BY A DENTIST WHICH INCLUDE:
- 20 (1) CORONAL POLISHING FOR CHILDREN UP TO THE AGE OF
- 21 SEVENTEEN.
- 22 (2) FLUORIDE TREATMENTS, INCLUDING VARNISHES.
- 23 (3) TAKING IMPRESSIONS OF THE TEETH FOR ATHLETIC APPLIANCES.
- 24 (B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER STATUTE OR REGULATION TO THE
- 25 CONTRARY, A CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT MAY PERFORM PROCEDURES
- 26 NOT DESIGNATED BY THIS ACT TO BE PERFORMED BY A LICENSED
- 27 DENTIST, DENTAL HYGIENIST OR EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT.
- 28 (C) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "DIRECT SUPERVISION" SHALL
- 29 MEAN THAT A DENTIST IS IN THE DENTAL OFFICE OR TREATMENT
- 30 FACILITY, PERSONALLY DIAGNOSES THE CONDITION TO BE TREATED,

- 1 PERSONALLY AUTHORIZES THE PROCEDURE AND REMAINS IN THE DENTAL
- 2 OFFICE OR TREATMENT FACILITY WHILE THE PROCEDURE IS BEING
- 3 PERFORMED AND, BEFORE DISMISSAL OF THE PATIENT, EVALUATES THE
- 4 WORK PERFORMED.
- 5 SECTION 5. THE STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY SHALL PROMULGATE
- 6 REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THIS ACT WITHIN 18 MONTHS OF THE
- 7 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT.
- 8 SECTION 6. THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT IN 60 DAYS.