Request for Review/Approval of Expanded Duties of Dental Assistants Program Form

Schools, programs, associations, etc., wishing to request Board approval for an Expanded Duties Assistant Program must submit a syllabus for consideration.

When making a submission, please submit only those portions of your program that are relevant. Please organize and label your submission so it is clear which duty is addressed.

Please use the following as a checklist to ensure you have included course content for each of the following duties that may be delegated to those assistants meeting the educational requirements established by Board Rule 150-9-.02:

- (a) Apply desensitizing agents to root surfaces of teeth and prepare dentinal surfaces of teeth prior to cementation of temporary restorations and crowns, bridges, or inlays.
- (b) Place cavity liner, base or varnish over unexposed pulp.
- (c) Intraoral fabrication of temporary crowns and bridges. All such adjustments must be performed extraorally.
- ____(d) Perform face bow transfer.
- (e) Make impressions to be used to repair a damaged prosthesis.
- ____(f) Place periodontal dressing.
- (g) Redressing (not initial placement of dressing) and removing dressing from alveolar sockets in post-operative osteitis when the patient is uncomfortable due to the loss of dressing from the alveolar socket in a diagnosed case of post-operative osteitis.
- ____(h) Make impressions to be used to fabricate a night guard (bruxism or muscle relaxation appliance). All adjustments must be performed extraorally. Final adjustment must be made by the dentist.
- (i) Monitor the administration of nitrous oxide/oxygen; turn off nitrous oxide/oxygen at the completion of the dental procedure and make adjustments to the level of nitrous oxide/oxygen, but only following the specific instructions of the dentist.
- ____(j) Apply topical anticariogenic agents.
- ____(k) Apply pit and fissure sealants, and primer and bonding agents to etched enamel or dentin; and light-cure with a fiber-optic light source (not to include the use of a laser device).
- ____(l) Packing and removing retraction cord, as prescribed by the dentist, so long as said cord is used solely for restorative dental procedures.

(m)	Changing of bleaching agent, following initial applications by the dentist, during the bleaching process of vital and non-vital teeth after the placement of a rubber dam; and applying the fiber-optic light source of a curing light for activation of the bleach (not to include the use of a laser device).
(n)	Rebond brackets after a licensed dentist has examined the affected tooth and surrounding gingiva and found no evidence of pathology.
(o)	Remove bonded brackets with hand instruments only.
(p)	Make impressions for passive orthodontic appliances.
(q)	Apply primer and bonding agents to etched enamel or dentin; and light cure with fiber-optic light source (not to include use of a laser device).

Eligibility for taking said courses requires that the candidate meet at least one of the following criteria:

- (a) Possess current certification that the candidate is a Certified Dental Assistant.
- (b) Be a graduate of a one (1) year accredited dental assisting program or a dental assisting program approved by the Board or be eligible for graduation.
- (c) Have been employed as a chairside assistant by a licensed dentist for a continuous six (6) month period within the previous three (3) years. (Note: An expanded duties certificate would be issued to a candidate only upon proper proof of graduation.)

Please mail course submissions to the following address:

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