

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND RULE OF THE GEORGIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY  
RULE 150-5-.04 CPR REQUIREMENTS FOR DENTAL HYGIENISTS. AND NOTICE OF  
PUBLIC HEARING**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Georgia Board of Dentistry (hereinafter "Board") proposes amendments to Georgia Board of Dentistry Rule 150-5-.04 CPR REQUIREMENTS FOR DENTAL HYGIENISTS (hereinafter "proposed amendments").

This notice, together with an exact copy of the rule including the proposed amendments and a synopsis of the rule including the proposed amendments, is being forwarded to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on an interested parties list. A copy of this notice, an exact copy of the rule including the proposed amendments, and a synopsis of the rule including the proposed amendments may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Department of Community Health at 2 Peachtree Street NW, Atlanta, Georgia, 30303. These documents will also be available for review on the Georgia State Board of Dentistry's web page at <http://gbd.georgia.gov/>.

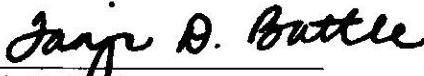
A public hearing is scheduled to begin via teleconference at 12:00 PM on August 15, 2014 at the Department of Community Health at 2 Peachtree Street NW, Atlanta, Georgia, 30303 to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed amendments. At the public hearing, anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for the official record. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to 5 minutes per person. Additional comments should be presented in writing. Written comments are welcome. To ensure their consideration, written comments must be received prior to August 8, 2014. Written comments should be addressed to Executive Director of the Georgia State Board of Dentistry at 2 Peachtree Street NW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303 FAX: 678-717-6435. You may email your comments to [tbattle@dch.ga.gov](mailto:tbattle@dch.ga.gov).

The proposed rule amendments will be considered by the Georgia State Board of Dentistry at its meeting via teleconference scheduled to begin at 12:05 PM on August 15, 2014 at the Department of Community Health at 2 Peachtree Street NW, Atlanta, Georgia, 30303. According to the Department of Law, State of Georgia, the Georgia State Board of Dentistry has the authority to adopt the proposed rule amendments pursuant to authority contained in O.C.G.A §§ 43-11-7, 43-11-9, 43-11-73, 43-11-73.1.

At its meeting on June 13, 2014, the Board voted that the formulation and adoption of these amendments do not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed amendments cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A §§ 43-11-7, 43-11-9. The formulation and adoption of these amendments will impact every licensee in the same manner, and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated and dominant in the field of dentistry.

For further information, contact the Board office at 404-651-8000. This notice is given in compliance with O.C.G.A. §50-13-4.

This 15th day of July, 2014.

  
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**SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF THE GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF  
DENTISTRY  
RULE 150-5-.04 CPR REQUIREMENTS FOR DENTAL HYGIENISTS.**

Purpose of Rule: The purpose of this rule is to require dental hygienists to maintain certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

Main Features: The main feature of this rule is to permit the Board to approve additional agencies to provide CPR certification to dental hygienists.

**DIFFERENCES OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS FOR THE  
GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY  
RULE 150-5-.04 CPR REQUIREMENTS FOR DENTAL HYGIENISTS.**

NOTE: Struck through text is proposed to be deleted. Underlined text is proposed to be added.

**150-5-.04 CPR Requirements for Dental Hygienists**

Dental hygienists shall maintain at all times during licensure and furnish to the Board, upon request, current certification in one and two rescuer CPR and management of obstructed airway for adults, children and infants as taught by the American Heart Association, the American Red Cross, the American Safety and Health Institute, the National Safety Council, ~~or~~ EMS Safety Services, or other such agencies approved by the Board. Current certification is a condition for license renewal. Failure to maintain current CPR certification may serve as grounds to deny the renewal of a license and may also result in disciplinary action against the licensee. In response to an audit request, a dental hygienist shall be required to produce proof of CPR certification during the biennium for which the audit is being conducted.

Authority: O.C.G.A §§ 43-11-7, 43-11-9, 43-11-73, 43-11-73.1