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RULES:

AMEND: 818-001-0002

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RULE SUMMARY: Removes reference to CPR to clarify BLS as the requirement.

CHANGE TO RULE:

818-001-0002
Definitions ¶

As used in OAR chapter 818:¶
(1) "Board" means the Oregon Board of Dentistry, the members of the Board, its employees, its agents, and its consultants.¶
(2) "Dental Practice Act" means ORS Chapter 679 and 680.010 to 680.170 and the rules adopted pursuant thereto.¶
(3) "Dentist" means a person licensed pursuant to ORS Chapter 679 to practice dentistry.¶
(4) "Dental Hygienist" means a person licensed pursuant to ORS 680.010 to 680.210 to practice dental hygiene.¶
(5) "Dental Therapist" means a person licensed to practice dental therapy under ORS 679.603.¶
(6) "Dental Therapy" means the provision of preventative dental care, restorative dental treatment and other educational, clinical and therapeutic patient services as part of a dental care team, including the services described under ORS 679.621.¶
(7) "Direct Supervision" means supervision requiring that a dentist diagnose the condition to be treated, that a dentist authorize the procedure to be performed, and that a dentist remain in the dental treatment room while the procedures are performed.¶
(8) "General Supervision" means supervision requiring that a dentist authorize the procedures, but not requiring that a dentist be present when the authorized procedures are performed. The authorized procedures may also be performed at a place other than the usual place of practice of the dentist.¶
(9) "Indirect Supervision" means supervision requiring that a dentist authorize the procedures and that a dentist be on the premises while the procedures are performed.¶
(10) "Informed Consent" means the consent obtained following a thorough and easily understood explanation to the patient, or patient's guardian, of the proposed procedures, any available alternative procedures and any risks associated with the procedures. Following the explanation, the licensee shall ask the patient, or the patient's guardian, if there are any questions. The licensee shall provide thorough and easily understood answers to all questions asked.¶

(11) "Licensee" means a dentist, hygienist or dental therapist.¶

(12) "Volunteer Licensee" is a dentist, hygienist or dental therapist licensed according to rule to provide dental health care without receiving or expecting to receive compensation.¶

(13) "Limited Access Patient" means a patient who, due to age, infirmity, or handicap is unable to receive regular dental hygiene treatment in a dental office.¶

(14) "Specialty." The specialty definitions are added to more clearly define the scope of the practice as it pertains to the specialty areas of dentistry.¶

(a) "Dental Anesthesiology" is the specialty of dentistry that deals with the management of pain through the use of advanced local and general anesthesia techniques.¶

(b) "Dental Public Health" is the science and art of preventing and controlling dental diseases and promoting dental health through organized community efforts. It is that form of dental practice which serves the community as a patient rather than the individual. It is concerned with the dental health education of the public, with applied dental research, and with the administration of group dental care programs as well as the prevention and control of dental diseases on a community basis.¶

(c) "Endodontics" is the specialty of dentistry which is concerned with the morphology, physiology and pathology of the human dental pulp and periradicular tissues. Its study and practice encompass the basic and clinical sciences including biology of the normal pulp, the etiology, diagnosis, prevention and treatment of diseases and injuries of the pulp and associated periradicular conditions.¶

(d) "Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology" is the specialty of dentistry and discipline of pathology that deals with the nature, identification, and management of diseases affecting the oral and maxillofacial regions. It is a science that investigates the causes, processes, and effects of these diseases. The practice of oral pathology includes research and diagnosis of diseases using clinical, radiographic, microscopic, biochemical, or other examinations.¶

(e) "Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology" is the specialty of dentistry and discipline of radiology concerned with the production and interpretation of images and data produced by all modalities of radiant energy that are used for the diagnosis and management of diseases, disorders and conditions of the oral and maxillofacial region.¶

(f) "Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery" is the specialty of dentistry which includes the diagnosis, surgical and adjunctive treatment of diseases, injuries and defects involving both the functional and esthetic aspects of the hard and soft tissues of the oral and maxillofacial region.¶

(g) "Oral Medicine" is the specialty of dentistry responsible for the oral health care of medically complex patients and for the diagnosis and management of medically-related diseases, disorders and conditions affecting the oral and maxillofacial region.¶

(h) "Orofacial Pain" Orofacial Pain is the specialty of dentistry that encompasses the diagnosis, management and treatment of pain disorders of the jaw, mouth, face, head and neck. The specialty of Orofacial Pain is dedicated to the evidenced-based understanding of the underlying pathophysiology, etiology, prevention, and treatment of these disorders and improving access to interdisciplinary patient care.¶

(i) "Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics" is the specialty of dentistry concerned with the supervision, guidance and correction of the growing or mature dentofacial structures, including those conditions that require movement of teeth or correction of malrelationships and malformations of their related structures and the adjustment of relationships between and among teeth and facial bones by the application of forces and/or the stimulation and redirection of functional forces within the craniofacial complex. Major responsibilities of orthodontic practice include the diagnosis, prevention, interception and treatment of all forms of malocclusion of the teeth and associated alterations in their surrounding structures; the design, application and control of functional and corrective appliances; and the guidance of the dentition and its supporting structures to attain and maintain optimum occlusal relations in physiologic and esthetic harmony among facial and cranial structures.¶

(j) "Pediatric Dentistry" is an age defined specialty that provides both primary and comprehensive preventive and therapeutic oral health care for infants and children through adolescence, including those with special health care needs.¶

(k) "Periodontics" is the specialty of dentistry which encompasses the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the supporting and surrounding tissues of the teeth or their substitutes and the maintenance of the health, function and esthetics of these structures and tissues.¶

(l) "Prosthodontics" is the specialty of dentistry pertaining to the restoration and maintenance of oral functions, comfort, appearance and health of the patient by the restoration of natural teeth and/or the replacement of missing teeth and contiguous oral and maxillofacial tissues with artificial substitutes.¶

(15) "Full-time" as used in ORS 679.025 and 680.020 is defined by the Board as any student who is enrolled in an
institution accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association or its successor agency in a course of study for dentistry, dental hygiene or dental therapy.

(16) For purposes of ORS 679.020(4)(h) the term "dentist of record" means a dentist that either authorized treatment for, supervised treatment of or provided treatment for the patient in clinical settings of the institution described in 679.020(3).

(17) "Dental Study Group" as used in ORS 679.050, OAR 818-021-0060 and OAR 818-021-0070 is defined as a group of licensees who come together for clinical and non-clinical educational study for the purpose of maintaining or increasing their competence. This is not meant to be a replacement for residency requirements.

(18) "Physical Harm" as used in OAR 818-001-0083(2) is defined as any physical injury that caused, partial or total physical disability, incapacity or disfigurement. In no event shall physical harm include mental pain, anguish, or suffering, or fear of injury.

(19) "Teledentistry" is defined as the use of information technology and telecommunications to facilitate the providing of dental primary care, consultation, education, and public awareness in the same manner as telehealth and telemedicine.

(20) "BLS for Healthcare Providers or its Equivalent" the BLS/CPR certification standard is the American Heart Association's BLS Healthcare Providers Course or its equivalent, as determined by the Board. This initial BLS/CPR course must be a hands-on course; online BLS/CPR courses will not be approved by the Board for initial BLS/CPR certification. After the initial BLS/CPR certification, the Board will accept a Board-approved BLS for Healthcare Providers or its equivalent Online Renewal course for license renewal. A BLS/CPR certification card with an expiration date must be received from the BLS/CPR provider as documentation of BLS/CPR certification. The Board considers the BLS/CPR expiration date to be the last day of the month that the BLS/CPR instructor indicates that the certification expires.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 679, 680
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 679.010, 680.010
AMEND: 818-012-0005

NOTICE FILED DATE: 03/29/2023

RULE SUMMARY: Changes effective date of implant rule and splits Botulinum Type A / dermal filler requirement into 10 hours each.

CHANGES TO RULE:

818-012-0005
Scope of Practice ¶

(1) No dentist may perform any of the procedures listed below: ¶
   (a) Rhinoplasty; ¶
   (b) Blepharoplasty; ¶
   (c) Rhytidectomy; ¶
   (d) Submental liposuction; ¶
   (e) Laser resurfacing; ¶
   (f) Browlift, either open or endoscopic technique; ¶
   (g) Platysmal muscle plication; ¶
   (h) Otoplasty; ¶
   (i) Dermabrasion; ¶
   (j) Hair transplantation, not as an isolated procedure for male pattern baldness; and ¶
   (k) Harvesting bone extra orally for dental procedures, including oral and maxillofacial procedures. ¶

(2) Unless the dentist: ¶
   (a) Has successfully completed a residency in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery accredited by the American Dental Association, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA), or ¶
   (b) Holds privileges either: ¶
      (A) Issued by a credentialing committee of a hospital accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) to perform these procedures in a hospital setting; or ¶
      (B) Issued by a credentialing committee for an ambulatory surgical center licensed by the State of Oregon and accredited by either the JCAHO or the Accreditation for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC). ¶

(3) A dentist may utilize Botulinum Toxin Type A and dermal fillers to treat conditions that are within the scope of the practice of dentistry in the oral and maxillofacial region after completing a minimum of 10 hours in a hands on clinical course(s), which includes both Botulinum Toxin Type A and dermal fillers, and the provider is approved by the Academy of General Dentistry Program Approval for Continuing Education (AGD PACE) or by the American Dental Association Continuing Education Recognition Program (ADA CERP). Alternatively, a dentist may meet the requirements of subsection (3) by successfully completing training in Botulinum Toxin Type A as part of a CODA accredited program. ¶

(4) A dentist may utilize dermal fillers to treat conditions that are within the oral and maxillofacial region after completing a minimum of 10 hours in a hands on clinical course(s), in dermal fillers, and the provider is approved by the Academy of General Dentistry Program Approval for Continuing Education (AGD PACE) or by the American Dental Association Continuing Education Recognition Program (ADA CERP). Alternatively, a dentist may meet the requirements of subsection (4) by successfully completing training in dermal fillers as part of a CODA accredited program. ¶

(5) A dentist may place endosseous implants to replace natural teeth after completing a minimum of 56 hours of hands on clinical course(s), which includes treatment planning, appropriate case selection, potential complications and the surgical placement of the implants under direct supervision, and the provider is a Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) accredited graduate dental education program, or a provider that has been approved by the Academy of General Dentistry Program Approval for Continuing Education (AGD PACE), or by the American Dental Association Continuing Education Recognition Program (ADA CERP) or by a Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) approved graduate dental education program. ¶

(5) A dentist placing endosseous implants must complete at least seven (7) hours of continuing education related to the placement and or restoration of dental implants every licensure renewal period. (Effective January 1, 2022). ¶

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 679, 680
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 679.010(2), 679.140(1)(c), 679.140(2), 679.170(6), 680.100
AMEND: 818-012-0007
NOTICE FILED DATE: 03/29/2023
RULE SUMMARY: Amending title of rule to add "of Vaccines" for clarification
CHANGE TO RULE:

818-012-0007
Procedures, Record Keeping and Reporting of Vaccines
(1) Prior to administering a vaccine to a patient of record, the dentist must follow the "Model Standing Orders" approved by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) for administration of vaccines and the treatment of severe adverse events following administration of a vaccine. ¶
(2) The dentist must maintain written policies and procedures for handling and disposal of used or contaminated equipment and supplies. ¶
(3) The dentist or designated staff must give the appropriate Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) to the patient or legal representative with each dose of vaccine covered by these forms. The dentist or designated staff must ensure that the patient or legal representative is available and has read, or has had read to them, the information provided and has had their questions answered prior to the dentist administering the vaccine. The VIS given to the patient must be the most current statement. ¶
(4) The dentist or designated staff must document in the patient record:
   (a) The date and site of the administration of the vaccine; ¶
   (b) The brand name, or NDC number, or other acceptable standardized vaccine code set, dose, manufacturer, lot number, and expiration date of the vaccine; ¶
   (c) The name or identifiable initials of the administering dentist; ¶
   (d) The address of the office where the vaccine(s) was administered unless automatically embedded in the electronic report provided to the OHA ALERT Immunization System; ¶
   (e) The date of publication of the VIS; and ¶
   (f) The date the VIS was provided and the date when the VIS was published. ¶
(5) If providing state or federal vaccines, the vaccine eligibility code as specified by the OHA must be reported to the ALERT system. ¶
(6) A dentist who administers any vaccine must report, the elements of Section (3), and Section (4) of this rule if applicable, to the OHA ALERT Immunization System within 14 days of administration. ¶
(7) The dentist must report adverse events as required by the Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System (VAERS), to the Oregon Board of Dentistry within 10 business days and to the primary care provider as identified by the patient. ¶
(8) A dentist who administers any vaccine will follow storage and handling guidance from the vaccine manufacturer and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). ¶
(9) Dentists who do not follow this rule can be subject to discipline for failure to adhere to these requirements.
Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 679
Statutes/Other Implemented: QRS 679
AMEND: 818-012-0030
NOTICE FILED DATE: 03/29/2023

RULE SUMMARY: Adds in requirement to comply with health care interpreter law and clarifies patient records rule.

CHANGES TO RULE:

818-012-0030
Unprofessional Conduct ¶

The Board finds that in addition to the conduct set forth in ORS 679.140(2), unprofessional conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following in which a licensee does or knowingly permits any person to:

(1) Attempt to obtain a fee by fraud, or misrepresentation.

(2) Obtain a fee by fraud, or misrepresentation.

(a) A licensee obtains a fee by fraud if the licensee knowingly makes, or permits any person to make, a material, false statement intending that a recipient, who is unaware of the truth, rely upon the statement.

(b) A licensee obtains a fee by misrepresentation if the licensee obtains a fee through making or permitting any person to make a material, false statement.

(c) Giving cash discounts and not disclosing them to third party payers is not fraud or misrepresentation.

(3) Offer rebates, split fees, or commissions for services rendered to a patient to any person other than a partner, employee, or employer.

(4) Accept rebates, split fees, or commissions for services rendered to a patient from any person other than a partner, employee, or employer.

(5) Initiate, or engage in, with a patient, any behavior with sexual connotations. The behavior can include but is not limited to, inappropriate physical touching; kissing of a sexual nature; gestures or expressions, any of which are sexualized or sexually demeaning to a patient; inappropriate procedures, including, but not limited to, disrobing and draping practices that reflect a lack of respect for the patient’s privacy; or initiating inappropriate communication, verbal or written, including, but not limited to, references to a patient’s body or clothing that are sexualized or sexually demeaning to a patient; and inappropriate comments or queries about the professional’s or patient’s sexual orientation, sexual performance, sexual fantasies, sexual problems, or sexual preferences.

(6) Engage in an unlawful trade practice as defined in ORS 646.605 to 646.608.

(7) Fail to present a treatment plan with estimated costs to a patient upon request of the patient or to a patient’s guardian upon request of the patient’s guardian.

(8) Misrepresent any facts to a patient concerning treatment or fees.

(9)(a) Fail to provide a patient or patient’s guardian within 14 days of written request:

(A) Legible copies of records; and

(B) Duplicates of study models, radiographs of the same quality as the originals, and photographs if they have been paid for.

(b) The licensee may require the patient or guardian to pay in advance a fee reasonably calculated to cover the costs of making the copies or duplicates. The licensee may charge a fee not to exceed $30 for copying 10 or fewer pages of written material and no more than $0.50 per page for pages 11 through 50 and no more than $0.25 for each additional page (including records copied from microfilm), plus any postage costs to mail copies requested and actual costs of preparing an explanation or summary of information, if requested. The actual cost of duplicating radiographs may also be charged to the patient. Patient records or summaries may not be withheld from the patient because of any prior unpaid bills, except as provided in (9)(a)(B) of this rule.

release patient records pursuant to OAR 818-012-0032.

(10) Fail to identify to a patient, patient’s guardian, or the Board the name of an employee, employer, contractor, or agent who renders services.

(11) Use prescription forms pre-printed with any Drug Enforcement Administration number, name of controlled substances, or facsimile of a signature.

(12) Use a rubber stamp or like device to reproduce a signature on a prescription form or sign a blank prescription form.


(14) Violate any Federal or State law regarding controlled substances.

(15) Becomes addicted to, or dependent upon, or abuses alcohol, illegal or controlled drugs, or mind altering substances, or practice with an untreated substance use disorder diagnosis that renders the licensee unable to
safely conduct the practice of dentistry, dental hygiene or dental therapy.¶

(16) Practice dentistry, dental hygiene or dental therapy in a dental office or clinic not owned by an Oregon licensed dentist(s), except for an entity described under ORS 679.020(3) and dental hygienists practicing pursuant to ORS 680.205(1)(2).¶

(17) Make an agreement with a patient or person, or any person or entity representing patients or persons, or provide any form of consideration that would prohibit, restrict, discourage or otherwise limit a person's ability to file a complaint with the Oregon Board of Dentistry; to truthfully and fully answer any questions posed by an agent or representative of the Board; or to participate as a witness in a Board proceeding.¶

(18) Fail to maintain at a minimum a current BLS for Healthcare Providers certificate or its equivalent.¶

(19) Conduct unbecoming a licensee or detrimental to the best interests of the public, including conduct contrary to the recognized standards of ethics of the licensee's profession or conduct that endangers the health, safety or welfare of a patient or the public.¶

(20) Knowingly deceiving or attempting to deceive the Board, an employee of the Board, or an agent of the Board in any application or renewal, or in reference to any matter under investigation by the Board. This includes but is not limited to the omission, alteration or destruction of any record in order to obstruct or delay an investigation by the Board, or to omit, alter or falsify any information in patient or business records.¶

(21) Knowingly practicing with a physical or mental impairment that renders the Licensee unable to safely conduct the practice of dentistry, dental hygiene or dental therapy.¶

(22) Take any action which could reasonably be interpreted to constitute harassment or retaliation towards a person whom the licensee believes to be a complainant or witness.¶

(23) Fail to register with the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) in order to have access to the Program's electronic system if the Licensee holds a Federal Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) registration.¶

(24) Fail to comply with ORS 413.550-413.558, regarding health care interpreters.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 679, 680

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 679.140(1)(c), 679.140(2), 679.170(6), 680.100
Diagnostic Records

1. Licensees shall provide duplicates of physical diagnostic records that have been paid for to patient or patient's guardian within 14 calendar days of receipt of written request.
   (A) Physical records include silver emulsion radiographs, physical study models, paper charting and chart notes:
   (Aa) Legible copies of paper charting and chart notes, and;
   (Ab) Duplicates of silver emulsion radiographs of the same quality as the originals, duplicates of physical study models, and photographs if they have been paid for.
   (B) Licensees may require the patient or patient's guardian to pay in advance the fee reasonably calculated to cover costs of making the copies or duplicates.
   (Ba) Licensees may charge a fee not to exceed $30 for copying 10 or fewer pages of written material and no more than $0.50 per page for 11-50 and no more than $0.25 for each additional page, including cost of microfilm plus any postage costs to mail copies requested and actual costs of preparing an explanation or summary of information, if requested. The actual costs of duplicating radiographs may also be charged to the patient.
   (Bb) Licensees shall provide duplicates of digital patient records within 14 calendar days of receipt of written request by the patient or patient's guardian.
   (Ba) Digital records include any patient diagnostic image, study model, test result or chart record in digital form.
   (Bb) Licensees may require the patient or patient's guardian to pay for the typical retail cost of the digital storage device, such as a CD, thumb drive, or DVD as well as associated postage.
   (Cc) Licensees shall not charge any patient or patient's guardian to transmit requested digital records over email if total records do not exceed 25 Mb.
   (D) A clinical day is defined as a day during which the dental clinic treated scheduled patients.
   (Ed) Licensees may charge up to $5 for duplication of digital records up to 25Mb and up to $30 for more than 25Mb.
   (Fe) Any transmission of patient records shall be in compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA Act) and the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH Act).
   (Gf) Duplicated digital records shall be of the same quality as the original digital file.
   (34) If a records summary is requested by patient or patient's guardian, the actual cost of creating this summary and its transmittal may be billed to the patient or patient's guardian.
   (5) Patient records or summaries may not be withheld from the patient because of any prior unpaid bills, except as provided in (1)(a)(B) of this rule.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 679
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 679
AMEND: 818-015-0005
NOTICE FILED DATE: 03/29/2023
RULE SUMMARY: Clarifies acceptable advertising for licensees.

CHANGES TO RULE:

818-015-0005
General Provisions ¶

(1) "To advertise" means to publicly communicate information about a licensee's professional services or qualifications for the purpose of soliciting business. ¶
(2) Advertising shall not be false, deceptive, misleading or not readily subject to verification and shall not make claims of professional superiority which cannot be substantiated by the licensee, who shall have the burden of proof. ¶
(3) Advertising shall not make a representation that is misleading as to the credentials, education, or the licensing status of a licensee. Licensee may not claim a degree, credential, or distinction granted by a professional organization or institution of higher learning that has not been earned. ¶
(4) A licensee who authorizes another to disseminate information about the licensee's professional services to the public is responsible for the content of that information unless the licensee can prove by clear and convincing evidence that the content of the advertisement is contrary to the licensee's specific directions. ¶
(5) A dentist shall adhere to the Doctors' Title Act, ORS 676.110 (Use of title "doctor").

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 679
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 679.140(2)(e)
REPEAL: 818-015-0007
NOTICE FILED DATE: 03/29/2023
RULE SUMMARY: Repealing this rule.
CHANGES TO RULE:

818-015-0007
Specialty Advertising¶

(1) A dentist may only advertise as a specialist in an area of dentistry which is recognized by the Board and in which the dentist is licensed or certified by the Board.¶

(2) The Board recognizes the following specialties:¶

(a) Endodontics;
(b) Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery;
(c) Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology;
(d) Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology;
(e) Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics;
(f) Pediatric Dentistry;
(g) Periodontics;
(h) Prosthodontics;
(i) Dental Public Health;
(j) Dental Anesthesiology;
(k) Oral Medicine;
(l) Orofacial Pain.

(3) A dentist whose license is not limited to the practice of a specialty under OAR 818-021-0017 may advertise that the dentist performs or limits practice to specialty services even if the dentist is not a specialist in the advertised area of practice so long as the dentist clearly discloses that the dentist is a general dentist or a specialist in a different specialty. For example, the following disclosures would be in compliance with this rule for dentists except those licensed pursuant to 818-021-0017: "Jane Doe, DDS, General Dentist, practice limited to pediatric dentistry." "John Doe, DMD, Endodontist, practice includes prosthodontics."

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 679
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 679.140(2)(e)
818-021-0012
Specialties Recognized ¶

(1) A dentist may advertise that the dentist is a dentist anesthesiologist, endodontist, oral and maxillofacial pathologist, oral and maxillofacial surgeon, oral and maxillofacial radiologist, oral medicine dentist, orofacial pain dentist, orthodontist and dentofacial orthopedics, pediatric dentist, periodontist, prosthodontist or dental public health dentist, only if the dentist is licensed or certified by the Board in the specialty in accordance with Board rules.

(2) A dentist may advertise that the dentist specializes in or is a specialist in dental anesthesiology, ¶The Board recognizes the following specialties: ¶

(1) Dental Anesthesiology ¶
(2) Dental Public Health ¶
(3) Endodontics ¶
(4) Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology ¶
(5) Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery ¶
(6) Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology ¶
(7) Oral Medicine ¶
(8) Orofacial Pain ¶
(9) Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics ¶
(10) Pediatric Dentistry ¶
(11) Periodontics ¶
(12) Prosthodontics or dental public health only if the dentist is licensed or certified by the Board in the specialty in accordance with Board rules.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 679
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 679.140
818-021-0015
Certification as a Specialist

The Board may certify a dentist as a specialist if the dentist:

1. Holds a current Oregon dental license;
2. Is a diplomate of or a fellow in a specialty board accredited or recognized by the American Dental Association;
3. Has completed a post-graduate program approved by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association; or
4. Was qualified to advertise as a specialist under former OAR 818-010-0061.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 679
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 679.140(2)(d)
Application to Practice as a Specialist ¶

(1) A dentist who wishes to practice as a specialist in Oregon, who does not have a current Oregon license, in addition to meeting the requirements set forth in ORS 679.060 and 679.065, shall submit to the Board satisfactory evidence of:¶
(a) Having graduated from a school of dentistry accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association and active licensure as a general dentist in another state. Licensure as a general dentist must have been obtained as a result of the passage of any clinical Board examination administered by any state or regional testing agency;¶
(b) Certification of having passed the dental examination administered by the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations or Canadian National Dental Examining Board Examination; and¶
(c) Proof of satisfactory completion of a post-graduate specialty program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association.¶
(d) Passing the Board’s jurisprudence examination.¶
(e) Completion of a one-hour pain management course specific to Oregon provided by the Pain Management Commission of the Oregon Health Authority (Effective July 1, 2022). ¶

(2) A dentist who graduated from a dental school located outside the United States or Canada who wishes to practice as a specialist in Oregon, who does not have a current Oregon license, in addition to meeting the requirements set forth in ORS 679.060 and 679.065, shall submit to the Board satisfactory evidence of:¶
(a) Completion of a post-graduate specialty program of not less than two years at a dental school accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, proficiency in the English language, and evidence of active licensure as a general dentist in another state obtained as a result of the passage of any clinical Board examination administered by any state or regional testing agency; or¶
(b) Completion of a post-graduate specialty program of not less than two years at a dental school accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, proficiency in the English language and certification of having successfully passed the clinical examination administered by any state or regional testing agency within the five years immediately preceding application; and¶
(c) Certification of having passed the dental examination administered by the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations or Canadian National Dental Examining Board Examination; and¶
(d) Passing the Board’s jurisprudence examination; and¶
(e) Completion of a one-hour pain management course specific to Oregon provided by the Pain Management Commission of the Oregon Health Authority (Effective July 1, 2022). ¶

(3) An applicant who meets the above requirements shall be issued a specialty license upon:¶
(a) Passing a specialty examination approved by the Board within the five years immediately preceding application; or¶
(b) Having conducted licensed clinical practice in the applicant’s postdoctoral dental specialty in Oregon, other states or in the Armed Forces of the United States, the United States Public Health Service or the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for a minimum of 3,500 hours in the five years immediately preceding application. Licensed clinical practice could include hours devoted to teaching the applicant’s dental specialty by dentists employed by a dental education program in a CODA-accredited dental school, with verification from the dean or appropriate administration of the institution documenting the length and terms of employment, the applicant’s duties and responsibilities, the actual hours involved in teaching clinical dentistry in the specialty applicant is applying for, and any adverse actions or restrictions; and¶
(4) Any applicant who does not pass the first examination for a specialty license may apply for a second and third regularly scheduled specialty examination. If the applicant fails to pass the third examination for the practice of a recognized specialty, the applicant will not be permitted to retake the particular specialty examination until he/she has attended and successfully passed a remedial program prescribed by a dental school accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association and approved by the Board.
(5) Licenses issued under this rule shall be limited to the practice of the specialty only.
Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 679
REPEAL: 818-021-0030

NOTICE FILED DATE: 03/29/2023

RULE SUMMARY: Repeal outdated exam rule.

CHANGES TO RULE:

818-021-0030
Dismissal from Examination
Reserved
Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 679, 680
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 679.070, 680.060
REPEAL: 818-021-0040

NOTICE FILED DATE: 03/29/2023

RULE SUMMARY: Repeal outdated exam rule.

CHANGES TO RULE:

818-021-0040
Examination Review Procedures
[Reserved]
Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 183, 192
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 183.310(2)(b), 192.501(4)
CHANGES TO RULE:

818-021-0060 Continuing Education - Dentists

(1) Each dentist must complete 40 hours of continuing education every two years. Continuing education (C.E.) must be directly related to clinical patient care or the practice of dental public health.

(2) Dentists must maintain records of successful completion of continuing education for at least four licensure years consistent with the licensee's licensure cycle. (A licensure year for dentists is April 1 through March 31.) The licensee, upon request by the Board, shall provide proof of successful completion of continuing education courses.

(3) Continuing education includes:
   (a) Attendance at lectures, dental study groups, college post-graduate courses, or scientific sessions at conventions.
   (b) Research, graduate study, teaching or preparation and presentation of scientific sessions. No more than 12 hours may be in teaching or scientific sessions. (Scientific sessions are defined as scientific presentations, table clinics, poster sessions and lectures.)
   (c) Correspondence courses, videotapes, distance learning courses or similar self-study course, provided that the course includes an examination and the dentist passes the examination provides a certificate of completion to the dentist. The certificate of completion should list the dentist's name, course title, course completion date, course provider name, and continuing education hours completed.
   (d) Continuing education credit can be given for volunteer pro bono dental services provided in the state of Oregon; community oral health instruction at a public health facility located in the state of Oregon; authorship of a publication, book, chapter of a book, article or paper published in a professional journal; participation on a state dental board, peer review, or quality of care review procedures; successful completion of the National Board Dental Examinations taken after initial licensure; a recognized specialty examination taken after initial licensure; or test development for clinical dental, dental hygiene or specialty examinations. No more than 6 hours of credit may be in these areas.

(4) At least three hours of continuing education must be related to medical emergencies in a dental office. No more than four hours of Practice Management and Patient Relations may be counted toward the C.E. requirement in any renewal period.

(5) At each renewal, all dentists licensed by the Oregon Board of Dentistry will complete a one-hour pain management course specific to Oregon provided by the Pain Management Commission of the Oregon Health Authority (Effective July 1, 2022).

(6) At least two (2) hours of continuing education must be related to infection control.

(7) At least two (2) hours of continuing education must be related to cultural competency (Effective January 1, 2021).

(8) A dentist placing endosseous implants must complete at least seven (7) hours of continuing education related to the placement of dental implants every licensure renewal period (Effective January 1, 2024).

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 679
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 679.250(9)
818-021-0070
Continuing Education - Dental Hygienists ¶

(1) Each dental hygienist must complete 24 hours of continuing education every two years. An Expanded Practice Permit Dental Hygienist shall complete a total of 36 hours of continuing education every two years. Continuing education (C.E.) must be directly related to clinical patient care or the practice of dental public health. ¶

(2) Dental hygienists must maintain records of successful completion of continuing education for at least four licensure years consistent with the licensee's licensure cycle. (A licensure year for dental hygienists is October 1 through September 30.) The licensee, upon request by the Board, shall provide proof of successful completion of continuing education courses. ¶

(3) Continuing education includes: ¶
(a) Attendance at lectures, dental study groups, college post-graduate courses, or scientific sessions at conventions. ¶
(b) Research, graduate study, teaching or preparation and presentation of scientific sessions. No more than six hours may be in teaching or scientific sessions. (Scientific sessions are defined as scientific presentations, table clinics, poster sessions and lectures.) ¶
(c) Correspondence courses, videotapes, distance learning courses or similar self-study course, provided that the course includes an examination and the dental hygienist passes the examination provides a certificate of completion to the dental hygienist. The certificate of completion should list the dental hygienist's name, course title, course completion date, course provider name, and continuing education hours completed. ¶
(d) Continuing education credit can be given for volunteer pro bono dental hygiene services provided in the state of Oregon; community oral health instruction at a public health facility located in the state of Oregon; authorship of a publication, book, chapter of a book, article or paper published in a professional journal; participation on a state dental board, peer review, or quality of care review procedures; successful completion of the National Board Dental Hygiene Examination, taken after initial licensure; or test development for clinical dental hygiene examinations. No more than 6 hours of credit may be in these areas. ¶
(4) At least three hours of continuing education must be related to medical emergencies in a dental office. No more than two hours of Practice Management and Patient Relations may be counted toward the C.E. requirement in any renewal period. ¶
(5) Dental hygienists who hold a Nitrous Oxide Permit must meet the requirements contained in OAR 818-026-0040(11) for renewal of the Nitrous Oxide Permit. ¶
(6) At least two (2) hours of continuing education must be related to infection control. ¶
(7) At least two (2) hours of continuing education must be related to cultural competency (Effective January 1, 2021).

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 679 680
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 679.250(9)
AMEND: 818-021-0076

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RULE SUMMARY: Removes examination requirement and clarifies certificate of completion details.

CHANGES TO RULE:

818-021-0076
Continuing Education - Dental Therapists
(1) Each dental therapist must complete 36 hours of continuing education every two years. Continuing education (C.E.) must be directly related to clinical patient care or the practice of dental public health.

(2) Dental therapists must maintain records of successful completion of continuing education for at least four licensure years consistent with the licensee's licensure cycle. (A licensure year for dental therapists is October 1 through September 30.) The licensee, upon request by the Board, shall provide proof of successful completion of continuing education courses.

(3) Continuing education includes:
(a) Attendance at lectures, dental study groups, college post-graduate courses, or scientific sessions at conventions.
(b) Research, graduate study, teaching or preparation and presentation of scientific sessions. No more than six hours may be in teaching or scientific sessions. (Scientific sessions are defined as scientific presentations, table clinics, poster sessions and lectures.)
(c) Correspondence courses, videotapes, distance learning courses or similar self-study course, provided that the course includes an examination and the dental therapist passes the examination provides a certificate of completion to the dental therapist. The certificate of completion should list the dental therapist's name, course title, course completion date, course provider name, and continuing education hours completed.
(d) Continuing education credit can be given for volunteer pro bono dental therapy services provided in the state of Oregon; community oral health instruction at a public health facility located in the state of Oregon; authorship of a publication, book, chapter of a book, article or paper published in a professional journal; participation on a state dental board, peer review, or quality of care review procedures; successful completion of the National Board Dental Therapy Examination, taken after initial licensure; or test development for clinical dental therapy examinations. No more than 6 hours of credit may be in these areas.
(4) At least three hours of continuing education must be related to medical emergencies in a dental office. No more than two hours of Practice Management and Patient Relations may be counted toward the C.E. requirement in any renewal period.
(5) At least two (2) hours of continuing education must be related to infection control.
(6) At least two (2) hours of continuing education must be related to cultural competency.
(7) At least one (1) hour of continuing education must be related to pain management.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 679, ORS 679.603, ORS 679.609
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 679.603, ORS 679.609
818-021-0084
Temporary Voluntary Practice Approval
(1) A dentist, dental therapist or dental hygienist may practice, without compensation and in connection with a coordinating organization or other entity, the health care profession that the health care practitioner is authorized to practice for a maximum of 30 days each calendar year without licensure requirement. Compensation is defined as something given or received as payment including but not limited to bartering, tips, monies, donations, or services.¶
(2) A dentist, dental therapist or dental hygienist is not required to apply for licensure or other authorization from the Board in order to practice under this rule.¶
(3) To practice under this rule, a dentist, dental therapist or dental hygienist shall submit, at least 10 days prior to commencing practice in this state, to the Board:
(a) Out-of-State volunteer application;¶
(b) Proof that the practitioner is in good standing and is not the subject of an active disciplinary action;¶
(c) An acknowledgement that the practitioner may provide services only within the scope of practice of the health care profession that the practitioner is authorized to practice and will provide services pursuant to the scope of practice of Oregon or the health care practitioner’s licensing agency, whichever is more restrictive;¶
(d) An attestation from dentist, dental therapist or dental hygienist that the practitioner will not receive compensation for practice in this state;¶
(e) The name and contact information of the dental director of the coordinating organization or other entity through which the practitioner will practice; and¶
(f) The dates on which the practitioner will practice in this state.¶
Failure to submit (a)-(e) above will result in non-approval.¶
(4) Misrepresentation as to information provided in the application for the temporary practice approval may be grounds to open a disciplinary investigation that may result in discipline under OAR 818-012-0060.¶
(5) Practitioner acknowledges they are subject to the laws and rules governing the health care profession in Oregon and that the practitioner is authorized to practice and are subject to disciplinary action by the Board.¶
(6) A practitioner who is authorized to practice in more than one other jurisdiction shall provide to the Board proof from the National Practitioner Data Bank and their other state licensing Board that the practitioner is in good standing and not subject to any active disciplinary actions in any jurisdiction in which the practitioner is authorized to practice.
Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 679
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 679
AMEND: 818-042-0040
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RULE SUMMARY: Clarifies that dental assistants can perform teeth whitening.
CHANGES TO RULE:

818-042-0040
Prohibited Acts
No licensee may authorize any dental assistant to perform the following acts:
(1) Diagnose or plan treatment.
(2) Cut hard or soft tissue.
(3) Any Expanded Function duty (OAR 818-042-0070 and OAR 818-042-0090) or Expanded Orthodontic Function duty (OAR 818-042-0100) or Restorative Functions (OAR 818-042-0095 or Expanded Preventive Duty (OAR 818-042-0113 and OAR 818-042-0114) or Expanded Function Anesthesia (OAR 818-042-0115) without holding the appropriate certification.
(4) Correct or attempt to correct the malposition or malocclusion of teeth except as provided by OAR 818-042-0100.
(5) Adjust or attempt to adjust any orthodontic wire, fixed or removable appliance or other structure while it is in the patient's mouth.
(6) Administer any drug except as allowed under the indirect supervision of a Licensee, such as fluoride, topical anesthetic, desensitizing agents, topical tooth whitening agents, over the counter medications per package instructions or drugs administered pursuant to OAR 818-026-0050(5)(a), OAR 818-026-0060(12), OAR 818-026-0065(12), OAR 818-026-0070(12) and as provided in OAR 818-042-0070, OAR 818-042-0090 and OAR 818-042-0115.
(7) Prescribe any drug.
(8) Place periodontal packs.
(9) Start nitrous oxide.
(10) Remove stains or deposits except as provided in OAR 818-042-0070.
(11) Use ultrasonic equipment intra- orally except as provided in OAR 818-042-0100.
(12) Use a high-speed handpiece or any device that is operated by a high-speed handpiece intra- orally except as provided in OAR 818-042-0095, and only for the purpose of adjusting occlusion, contouring, and polishing restorations on the tooth or teeth that are being restored.
(13) Use lasers, except laser-curing lights.
(14) Use air abrasion or air polishing.
(15) Remove teeth or parts of tooth structure.
(16) Cement or bond any fixed prosthothesis or orthodontic appliance including bands, brackets, retainers, tooth moving devices, or orthopedic appliances except as provided in OAR 818-042-0100.
(17) Condense and carve permanent restorative material except as provided in OAR 818-042-0095.
(18) Place any type of retraction material subgingivally except as provided in OAR 818-042-0090.
(19) Apply denture relines except as provided in OAR 818-042-0090(2).
(20) Expose radiographs without holding a current Certificate of Radiologic Proficiency issued by the Board (OAR 818-042-0050 and OAR 818-042-0060) except while taking a course of instruction approved by the Oregon Health Authority, Oregon Public Health Division, Office of Environmental Public Health, Radiation Protection Services, or the Oregon Board of Dentistry.
(21) Use the behavior management techniques known as Hand Over Mouth (HOM) or Hand Over Mouth Airway Restriction (HOMAR) on any patient.
(22) Perform periodontal assessment.
(23) Place or remove healing caps or healing abutments, except under direct supervision.
(24) Place implant impression copings, except under direct supervision.
(25) Any act in violation of Board statute or rules.
Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 680, ORS 679
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 679.020, 679.025, 679.250