

**TITLE 20—DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
AND INSURANCE
Division 2110—Missouri Dental Board
Chapter 2—General Rules**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2110-2.130 Dental Hygienists. The board is amending sections (3) and (4), adding new section (11), and renumbering as necessary.

PURPOSE: This proposed amendment will allow dental hygienists to administer local anesthetic under the general supervision of a licensed dentist.

- (3) A hygienist may perform the following procedures under general supervision:
- (E) Administering local anesthesia, as outlined in sections (9), (10), and (11) of this rule;**
 - and**
 - ~~[(E)]~~**(F)** All procedures delegable to a dental assistant or certified dental assistant, except the expanded functions in section (5) of this rule.
- (4) A hygienist may perform the following procedures under indirect supervision:
- ~~[(B)]~~ *Administering local anesthesia, as outlined in sections (9) and (10) of this rule;*
 - ~~[(C)]~~**(B)** Procedures deemed appropriate by a dentist as outlined in section 332.091, RSMo;
 - and**
 - ~~[(D)]~~**(C)** All procedures allowed under general supervision as outlined in section (3) of this rule.
- (11) A hygienist may administer local anesthesia under general supervision to a patient of record of the supervising dentist. A written authorization shall be included in the patient's record prior to the administration of local anesthesia under general supervision. The supervising dentist shall document the applicable American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) classification in the patient record. ASA class III patients may be administered local anesthesia under general supervision after a consultation with the applicable physician of record. ASA class IV and V patients are not candidates for local anesthesia under general supervision. Patients being administered local anesthesia under general supervision must have been examined by the supervising dentist within the previous twelve (12) months. If the patient's medical history has changed since the last examination by the supervising dentist, the hygienist must consult with the dentist before administering local anesthetics. The supervising dentist shall be responsible for the care provided by the hygienist and shall ensure that the office is equipped with appropriate emergency equipment and that the staff are properly trained and competent to address emergency situations that may arise as a result of the administration of local anesthesia under general supervision.**
- ~~[(11)]~~**(12)** For purposes of this rule, proof of competency means documentation verifying completion of didactic and clinical training and passage of competency testing of that training from a dental, dental hygiene, or dental assisting school accredited by the Commission on

Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association or other training courses approved by the Missouri Dental Board.

~~[(12)]~~**(13)** The provisions of this rule are declared severable. If a court of competent jurisdiction holds any provision of this rule invalid, the remaining provisions of this rule shall remain in full force and effect, unless otherwise determined by a court of competent jurisdiction.

*AUTHORITY: sections 332.031, **332.071**, [and] 332.091, [RSMo 2000, and sections 332.071,] 332.098, and 332.311, RSMo [Supp. 2012] **2016**. * This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 110-2.130. Original rule filed Dec. 12, 1975, effective Jan. 12, 1976. For intervening history, please consult the **Code of State Regulations**. Amended: Filed March 25, 2024.*

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

*NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Missouri Dental Board, PO Box 1367, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at (573) 751-8216, or via email at dental@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.*