PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2110-2.120 Dental Assistants. The board is amending subsection (4)(A) and sections (5) and (7).

PURPOSE: This amendment updates terminology and clarifies and increases the duties that can be delegated to an Expanded Function Dental Assistant (EFDA).

(4) Expanded Functions Permits.
(A) Effective December 1, 2012, a currently licensed dentist may delegate, under direct supervision, functions listed in subsection (4)(H) section (5) of this rule to a dental assistant possessing a board-issued permit authorizing the dental assistant to perform expanded functions duties. To qualify for a board-issued permit to perform expanded functions duties, the dental assistant must provide the board with the following:

(5) Categories.
(A) Functions delegable to a dental assistant possessing a board-issued permit to perform expanded functions are divided into five (5) categories; restorative I, restorative II, removable prosthodontics, fixed prosthodontics, and orthodontics and are listed below by category.

1. Restorative I—
   A. Sizing and cementing of prefabricated crowns;
   B. Placing, condensing, carving, and finishing amalgam for Class I, V, and VI restorations;
   C. Placing and finishing composite for Class I, V, and VI restorations; and
   D. Minor palliative care of dental emergencies (place sedative filling).

2. Restorative II—
   A. Sizing and cementing of prefabricated crowns;
   B. Placing, condensing, carving, and finishing amalgam for Class I, II, III, IV, V, and VI restorations;
   C. Placing and finishing composite for Class I, II, III, IV, V, and VI restorations; and
   D. Minor palliative care of dental emergencies (place sedative filling).

3. Orthodontics—
   A. Preliminary bending of archwire;
   B. Removal of orthodontic bands and bonds;
   C. Final cementation of any permanent orthodontic appliance or prosthesis;
   D. Making impressions for the fabrication of any removable or fixed orthodontic prosthesis/appliance; and
   E. Placement and cementation of orthodontic brackets and/or bands.
4. Prosthodontics—Fixed—

A. [Place retraction cord in preparation for fixed prosthodontic impressions]
   Apply tissue retracting material prior to impression of a fixed prosthesis;
B. Extra-oral adjustments of fixed prosthesis;
[C. Extra-oral adjustments of removable prosthesis during and after insertion;]
[D.] C. Final cementation of any permanent appliance or prosthesis; [and]
[E.] D. Making impressions for the fabrication of any removable or fixed prosthesis/appliance[.]; and

E. Sizing and cementing of prefabricated crowns.

5. Prosthodontics—Removable—

A. Placement of temporary soft liners in a removable prosthesis;
B. Extra-oral adjustments of removable prosthesis during and after insertion; and
[C. Minor palliative care of dental emergencies (place sedative filling); and]
[D]C. Making impressions for the fabrication of any removable or fixed prosthesis/appliance.

(7) Delegated Acts.

(A) A currently licensed dentist may delegate under direct supervision to a dental assistant or certified dental assistant any functions not specifically referenced in section[s (2)–(4)](5) of this rule and not considered either the practice of dentistry or the practice of dental hygiene as defined in sections 332.071 and 332.091, RSMo, and [4 CSR 110-2.130] 20

CSR 2110-2.130.

AUTHORITY: sections 332.011, 332.031.2., and 332.098, RSMo 2016.* This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 110-2.120. Original rule filed Dec. 12, 1975, effective Jan. 12, 1976. For intervening history, please consult the Code of State Regulations. Amended: filed March 8, 2022.

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

PRIVATE COST: This proposed rule 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 rule 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.