

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

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2110-2.240 Continuing Dental Education. The board is amending subsection (1)(C) and deleting subsection (2)(I).

PURPOSE: This proposal adds additional providers to the list of board approved continuing education providers.

(1) Definitions.

(C) Board-approved sponsors are—

1. American Dental Association (ADA) and its constituent and component societies;
 2. Academy of General Dentistry (AGD) and its state and local affiliates;
 3. ADA recognized dental specialty organizations and their state and local affiliates;
 4. National Dental Association and its state and local affiliates;
 5. American Dental Hygienists' Association and its constituents and component societies;
 6. National Dental Hygienists' Association and its state and local affiliates;
 7. American Medical Association and American Osteopathic Association and their respective state and local societies;
 8. American Nurses Association and its state and local affiliates;
 9. ADA Commission on Dental Accreditation approved dental, dental hygiene, and dental assisting schools;
 10. ADA continuing education recognition program;
 11. AGD national sponsor approved program;
 12. Federal and state government agencies, including any of the branches of the military;
 13. Hospitals accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations;
 14. Missouri Public Health Association;
 15. American Red Cross;
 16. American Heart Association;
 17. **[Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc. (CRDTS)] Any regional clinical testing service accepted by the board for initial licensure;**
 18. Dental Assisting National Board, Inc. (DANB);
 19. American Dental Assistants Association and its constituents and component societies;
- [and]**
- 20. American Association of Dental Boards (AADB);**
 - 21. Missouri Coalition for Oral Health); and**
 - [20]22.** Any other sponsor approved by the board pursuant to subsection (2)(B).

(2) In order to renew a license, each dentist shall submit satisfactory evidence of completion of

fifty (50) hours of continuing education during the two (2)-year period immediately preceding the renewal period, and each dental hygienist shall submit satisfactory evidence of completion of thirty (30) hours of continuing education during the two (2)-year period immediately preceding the renewal period. Any hours acquired beyond the required number may be carried forward into the next time block not to exceed twenty-five (25) hours for dentists and fifteen (15) hours for dental hygienists. Of the fifty (50) hours required for dentists, not less than forty (40) must be hours directly related to the updating and maintaining of knowledge and skills in the treatment, health, and safety of the individual dental patient. Of the thirty (30) hours required for dental hygienists, not less than twenty-five (25) must be hours directly related to the updating and maintaining of knowledge and skills in the treatment, health, and safety of the individual dental patient. One (1) hour of continuing education shall be granted for every fifty to sixty (50–60) minutes of contact (either academic or clinical) instruction.

[(1) Licensees who attend the open session of the Missouri Dental Board's quarterly meetings or an open meeting of the Advisory Commission for Dental Hygienists will receive two (2) hours of continuing education credit per meeting. To qualify, licensees must sign in at the beginning of the open meeting and sign out at the end of the open meeting. These continuing education credits do not qualify as directly related to the updating and maintaining of knowledge and skills in the treatment, health, and safety of the individual dental patient.]

AUTHORITY: sections 332.031, [RSMo 2000 and sections] 332.181 and 332.261, RSMo [Supp. 2010] 2016. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 110-2.240. Original rule filed Aug. 30, 1993, effective April 9, 1994. For intervening history, please consult the **Code of State Regulations**. Amended: filed Feb. 28, 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.*