

DENTAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL TO AMEND BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE SECTIONS 1684.5, 1741, 1750, 1750.1, AND 1752.4 REGARDING DENTAL AUXILIARIES

Proposed amendments are indicated in underline for new text and ~~strikethrough~~ for deleted text.

1684.5. (a) In addition to other acts constituting unprofessional conduct under this chapter, it is unprofessional conduct for any dentist to perform or allow to be performed any treatment on a patient who is not a patient of record of that dentist. A dentist may, however, after conducting a preliminary oral examination, require or permit any dental auxiliary to perform procedures necessary for diagnostic purposes, provided that the procedures are permitted under the auxiliary's authorized scope of practice. Additionally, a dentist may require or permit a dental auxiliary to perform all of the following duties prior to any examination of the patient by the dentist, provided that the duties are authorized for the particular classification of dental auxiliary pursuant to Article 7 (commencing with Section 1740):

(1) Expose emergency radiographs upon direction of the dentist.

(2) If the dental auxiliary is a registered dental assistant in extended functions, a registered dental hygienist, or a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice, determine and perform radiographs for the specific purpose of aiding a dentist in completing a comprehensive diagnosis and treatment plan for a patient using telehealth, as defined by Section 2290.5, for the purpose of communication with the supervising licensed dentist pursuant to Sections 1753.55, 1910.5, and 1926.05. A dentist is not required to review patient records or make a diagnosis using telehealth.

(3) Perform extra-oral duties or functions specified by the dentist.

(4) Perform mouth-mirror inspections of the oral cavity, to include charting of obvious lesions, malocclusions, existing restorations, and missing teeth.

(b) For purposes of this section, "patient of record" refers to a patient who has been examined, has had a medical and dental history completed and evaluated, and has had oral conditions diagnosed and a written plan developed by the licensed dentist.

(c) For purposes of this section, if dental treatment is provided to a patient by a registered dental assistant in extended functions, a registered dental hygienist, or a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice pursuant to the diagnosis and treatment plan authorized by a supervising licensed dentist, at a location other than the dentist's practice location, it is the responsibility of the authorizing dentist that the patient or the patient's representative receive written notification that the care was provided at the direction of the authorizing dentist and that the notification include the authorizing dentist's name, practice location address, and telephone number. This

provision shall not require patient notification for dental hygiene preventive services provided in public health programs as specified and authorized in Section 1911, or for dental hygiene care when provided as specified and authorized in Section 1926.

(d) A dentist shall not concurrently supervise more than a total of five registered dental assistants in extended functions, registered dental hygienists, or registered dental hygienists in alternative practice providing services pursuant to Sections 1753.55, 1910.5, and 1926.05.

(e) This section shall not apply to dentists providing examinations on a temporary basis outside of a dental office in settings including, but not limited to, health fairs and school screenings.

(f) This section shall not apply to fluoride mouth rinse or supplement programs administered in a school or preschool setting.

1741. As used in this article:

(a) "Alternative dental assisting program" means a program offered by an institution of secondary or postsecondary education that has a current accreditation from the Commission on Dental Accreditation or is accredited or approved by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education or State Department of Education, including career health and technical education programs, regional occupation centers or programs, or apprenticeship programs registered by the State Department of Education or Division of Apprenticeship Standards of the Department of Industrial Relations in allied dental programs, and whereby a certificate of completion from the program shall serve as a pathway component for licensure as a registered dental assistant.

(b) "Basic supportive dental procedures" means procedures that have technically elementary characteristics, are completely reversible, and are unlikely to precipitate potentially hazardous conditions for the patient being treated, including extraoral tasks involving sterilization procedures and infection control and disease prevention tasks.

(c) "Board" means the Dental Board of California.

(d) "Certified dental assistant" means an individual who has successfully passed the general chairside assisting, radiation health and safety, and infection control examinations administered by the Dental Assisting National Board and has an active certification satisfactory to terms and conditions of the Dental Assisting National Board at the time of application for a dental assisting license. A current and valid certified dental assistant certificate is not required for subsequent licensure renewals.

(e) "Certificate of completion" means a certificate of completion of the program or course that shall include, at minimum, the participant's name, the name of the course or program completed, the name of the course or program provider, including the board-issued approval number, the physical address of the program/course facility or, for electronic courses, the business address, the date or date range of completion of the

course or program, the number of completed hours of the course or program, the instructor name and license number, and the printed name and signature of the course or program provider, director, administrator, or their designee, ~~that verifies the participant has successfully completed any of the following:~~

~~(1) A board-approved educational course or program in dental assisting.~~

~~(2) A continuing education course provided by a board-approved continuing education provider.~~

~~(3) An alternative dental assisting program.~~

(f) "Continuing education" means a course of study specific to the performance of dental-related procedures where the education is directly related to the clinical and supplemental duties and functions of dental assistants, registered dental assistants, registered dental assistants in extended functions, and dental assisting permit holders, as defined in this article. The continuing education coursework must follow the provisions outlined in board regulations. ~~Continuing education units obtained shall be limited to no more than eight units per day. The following shall apply to the continuing education units:~~

~~(1) Live interactive coursework units obtained shall not total more than eight units per day.~~

~~(2) Nonlive or self-paced online coursework units shall not be more than eight units per day within a range of dates during a seminar, workshop, or educational series where more than one day is required to complete the coursework.~~

(g) "Coronal polishing" means a procedure limited to the removal of plaque and stain from exposed tooth surfaces.

(h) "Council" means the Dental Assisting Council of the Dental Board of California.

(i) "Course" means an educational offering, class, presentation, meeting, or other similar event.

(j) "Dental assistant" means an individual who, without a license, may perform only ~~basic supportive~~ dental procedures described in Sections 1750 and 1750.1.

(k) "Dental auxiliary" means a person who may perform dental procedures authorized by this article under the specified supervision of a supervising licensed dentist. For purposes of Section 1684.5, "dental auxiliary" shall include a person who may perform dental procedures authorized by Article 9.1 under the specified supervision of a supervising licensed dentist.

~~(k)~~ "Direct supervision" means supervision of dental procedures based on instructions given by performed pursuant to the order, control, and full professional responsibility of

a supervising licensed dentist, who shall is required to be physically present in the treatment facility during the performance of those procedures.

~~(lm)~~ “General supervision” means supervision of dental procedures ~~based on instructions given by~~ performed pursuant to the order, control, and full professional responsibility of a supervising licensed dentist but who is not requiring the physical presence of the supervising dentist required to be physically present in the treatment facility during the performance of those procedures.

(n) “Gingival” means pertaining to the gingivae, the mucous membrane with the supporting fibrous tissue.

~~(mo)~~ “Good standing” means the licensee or permit holder has not been disciplined, is not the subject of an unresolved complaint or review procedures, and is not the subject of any unresolved disciplinary proceeding.

~~(mp)~~ “Interim therapeutic restoration” means a direct provisional restoration placed to stabilize the tooth until a supervising licensed dentist diagnoses the need for further definitive treatment. An interim therapeutic restoration consists of the removal of soft material from the tooth using only hand instrumentation, without the use of rotary instrumentation, and subsequent placement of an adhesive restorative material. An interim therapeutic restoration may also be applied to a tooth with caries that has been confirmed by the treating dentist to be arrested through the use of a caries arresting agent with or without further removal of tooth structure. Local anesthesia shall not be necessary for interim therapeutic restoration placement.

(q) “Oral prophylaxis” means the preventive dental procedures including complete removal of explorer-detectable calculus, soft deposits, plaque, stains, and the smoothing of unattached tooth surfaces. The objective of this treatment shall be creation of an environment in which hard and soft tissues can be maintained in good health by the patient.

~~(or)~~ “Preceptee” means an unlicensed dental assistant who is supervised by a California-licensed dentist or dentists in good standing and is participating in a preceptorship in dental assisting to learn the clinical skills and acquire procedural knowledge through work experience and supplemental dental assisting coursework.

~~(ps)~~ “Preceptor” means a California-licensed dentist in good standing who directly supervises and provides on-the-job training to a preceptee in a preceptorship in dental assisting by evaluating clinical competence, documenting completion of clinical chairside work experience, learning, and clinical progress, teaching and promoting clinical reasoning, and ensuring the preceptee has completed course requirements before performing dental assisting duties pursuant to Section 1750.1. A preceptee may have more than one California-licensed dentist serve as a preceptor.

~~(qt)~~ “Preceptorship in dental assisting” means supervised on-the-job training of a preceptee by a preceptor in the performance of duties specified in Section 1750.1 in a

competent manner as determined by the preceptor pursuant to the requirements set forth in paragraph (5) of subdivision (a) of Section 1752.1.

(~~f~~u) “Registered dental assistant” means a person licensed by the board to perform all procedures authorized under Section 1752.4.

(~~s~~v) “Registered dental assistant in extended functions” means a person licensed by the board to perform all procedures authorized under Section 1753.5.

(w) “Registered dental hygienist” means a person who holds a registered dental hygienist license issued by the Dental Hygiene Board of California.

(x) “Registered dental hygienist in alternative practice” means a person who holds a registered dental hygienist license issued by the Dental Hygiene Board of California.

(y) “Registered dental hygienist in extended functions” means a person who holds a registered dental hygienist in extended functions license issued by the Dental Hygiene Board of California.

(~~t~~z) “Satisfactory work experience” means performance of the duties specified in Section 1750.1 in a competent manner as determined by the supervising licensed dentist or dentists, who shall certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California the applicant’s completion of the work experience.

(aa) “Supervising licensed dentist” means a California licensed dentist whose patient is receiving dental services in the treatment facility performed by a dental auxiliary under the direct control of the dentist.

1750. (a) A dental assistant is an individual who, without a license, may perform basic supportive dental procedures, as authorized by this section and Section 1750.1 and by regulations adopted by the board, under the supervision of a supervising licensed dentist. ~~“Basic supportive dental procedures” are those procedures that have technically elementary characteristics, are completely reversible, and are unlikely to precipitate potentially hazardous conditions for the patient being treated.~~

(b) The supervising licensed dentist shall be directly responsible for determining the competency of the dental assistant to perform the ~~basic supportive dental procedures~~, as authorized by Section 1750.1.

(c) The employer, supervising licensed dentist, manager, or supervisor of a dental assistant shall be responsible for ensuring that the dental assistant has successfully completed a board-approved eight-hour course in infection control prior to performing any ~~basic supportive dental procedures~~ involving potential exposure to blood, saliva, or other potentially infectious materials.

(d) During the period of dental assistant services provided by the dental assistant and for three years after termination thereof, t~~The employer, supervising licensed dentist, manager, or supervisor~~ shall maintain a copy of any certificate of completion evidence

~~for the length of the employment for the dental assistant at the supervising dentist's treatment facility to verify the dental assistant has met and maintained all certification requirements as dictated by statute and regulation.~~

(e) The employer shall inform the dental assistant of the educational requirements described in subdivision (f) to maintain employment as an unlicensed dental assistant.

(f) The employer of a dental assistant shall be responsible for ensuring that the dental assistant who has been employed continuously or on an intermittent basis by that employer for one year from the date of first employment provides evidence to the employer that the dental assistant has already successfully completed, or successfully completes, all of the following within one year of the first date of employment:

(1) A board-approved two-hour course in the Dental Practice Act.

(2) Current certification in basic life support issued by the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association, the American Safety and Health Institute, the American Dental Association's Continuing Education Recognition Program, or the Academy of General Dentistry's Program Approval for Continuing Education, in accordance with both of the following:

(A) The dental assistant shall be responsible for maintaining current certification in basic life support to perform duties involving patients.

(B) The employer of a dental assistant shall be responsible for ensuring that the dental assistant maintains certification in basic life support.

~~(3) To perform radiographic procedures, a dental assistant shall complete a board-approved course in radiation safety. The original or a copy of the current, valid certificate issued by a board-approved radiation safety course provider shall be publicly displayed at the treatment facility where the dental assistant performs dental services.~~

~~(4) To perform coronal polishing prior to licensure as a registered dental assistant, an unlicensed dental assistant shall complete a board-approved coronal polishing course and obtain a certificate of completion. Prior to taking the coronal polishing course, the dental assistant shall provide evidence to the course provider of having completed a board-approved eight-hour course in infection control and a current, valid certification in basic life support.~~

~~(A) Coronal polishing performed pursuant to this paragraph shall be performed under the direct supervision and pursuant to the order, control, and full professional responsibility of a licensed dentist, who shall, at minimum, evaluate each patient after coronal polishing procedures are performed by the dental assistant.~~

~~(B) The original or a copy of the current, valid certificate issued by a board-approved coronal polishing course provider shall be publicly displayed at the treatment facility where the dental assistant performs dental services.~~

1750.1. (a) Unless specifically so provided by regulation, a dental assistant may not perform the following functions or any other activity that represents the practice of dentistry or requires the knowledge, skill and training of a licensed dentist:

(1) Diagnosis and treatment planning.

(2) Surgical or cutting procedures on hard or soft tissue, including, but not limited to, the removal of teeth and the cutting and suturing of soft tissue.

(3) Fitting and adjusting of correctional and prosthodontic appliances.

(4) Prescription of medicines.

(5) Placement, condensation, carving or removal of permanent restorations, including final cementation procedures.

(6) Irrigation and medication of canals, try-in cones, reaming, filing or filling of root canals.

(7) Taking of impressions for prosthodontic appliances, bridges or any other structures which may be worn in the mouth;

(8) Administration of injectable and/or general anesthesia;

(9) Administration of local or general anesthesia or sedation.

(10) Starting the flow of nitrous oxide and oxygen gases.

(11) Oral prophylaxis procedures.

(b) A dental assistant may only perform the following duties while the supervising licensed dentist is present at the patient's chairside while the duty is being performed:

(1) Adjust the flow of nitrous oxide and oxygen gases if deemed necessary and directed by the supervising licensed dentist.

(2) In response to a medical emergency, a dental assistant may administer or assist in the administration of oxygen.

~~(bc)~~ A dental assistant may perform the following duties under the direct supervision and pursuant to the order, control, and full professional responsibility of a supervising licensed dentist:

(1) Apply nonaerosol and noncaustic topical agents, including all forms of topical fluoride.

- (2) Take intraoral impressions for all nonprosthodontic appliances.
 - (3) Take facebow transfers and bite registrations.
 - (4) Place and remove rubber dams or other isolation devices.
 - (5) Place, wedge, and remove matrices for restorative procedures.
 - (6) Remove postextraction dressings after inspection of the surgical site by the supervising licensed dentist.
 - (7) Perform measurements for the purposes of orthodontic treatment.
 - (8) Cure dental materials with a light curing device.
 - (9) Examine orthodontic appliances.
 - (10) Place and remove orthodontic separators.
 - (11) Remove ligature ties and archwires.
 - (12) After adjustment by the dentist, examine and seat removable orthodontic appliances and deliver care instructions to the patient.
 - (13) Remove periodontal dressings after inspection of the surgical site by the supervising licensed dentist.
 - (14) Remove sutures after inspection of the site by the supervising licensed dentist.
 - ~~(15) Place patient monitoring sensors.~~
 - ~~(16) Adjust the flow of nitrous oxide and oxygen gases if deemed necessary and directed by the supervising dentist who shall be present in the operatory directly supervising the adjustment.~~
 - ~~(17) Extraoral functions specified by the supervising dentist that meet the definition of basic supportive dental procedures specified in subdivision (b) of Section 1741. Such duties may include patient monitoring, placing monitoring sensors, taking of vital signs, or other extraoral procedures related to the scope of their practice.~~
 - ~~(18) In response to a medical emergency and under the direct supervision, order, control, and full professional responsibility of the licensed dentist, a dental assistant may administer or assist in the administration of oxygen.~~
- (ad) A dental assistant may perform the following duties under the general supervision and pursuant to the order, control, and full professional responsibility of a supervising licensed dentist:

(1) ~~Extraoral duties specified by the supervising licensee-~~licensed dentist that meet the definition of a basic supportive dental procedure specified in subdivision (b) of Section 1741. These duties may include patient monitoring, placing and removing monitoring sensors, taking of vital signs, or other extraoral procedures related to the scope of their practice, and a procedure that requires the use of personal protective equipment, laboratory functions, and sterilization and disinfection procedures described in Section 1005 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations and Section 5193 of Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations.

(2) ~~Operate dental radiography equipment for the purpose of oral radiography if the dental assistant has complied with the requirements of paragraph (4) of subdivision (f) of Section 1750.~~

(3) ~~Perform intraoral and extraoral photography.~~

(e) A dental assistant may perform the following additional duties after successfully completing a board-approved dental assistant educational program or board-approved course in those duties.

(1) To perform radiographic procedures, a dental assistant shall complete a board-approved course in radiation safety. The original or a copy of the current, valid certificate issued by a board-approved radiation safety course provider shall be publicly displayed at the treatment facility where the dental assistant performs dental services. Radiographic procedures performed pursuant to this paragraph shall be performed under the general supervision of a supervising licensed dentist

(2) To perform coronal polishing, an unlicensed dental assistant shall complete a board-approved coronal polishing course and obtain a certificate of completion. Prior to taking the coronal polishing course, the dental assistant shall provide evidence to the course provider of having completed a board-approved eight-hour course in infection control and a current, valid certification in basic life support.

(A) Coronal polishing performed pursuant to this paragraph shall be performed under the direct supervision of a supervising licensed dentist, who shall, at minimum, evaluate each patient after coronal polishing procedures are performed by the dental assistant.

(B) The original or a copy of the current, valid certificate issued by a board-approved coronal polishing course provider shall be publicly displayed at the treatment facility where the dental assistant performs dental services.

~~(f) The board may specify-~~prescribe additional allowable duties by regulation.

~~(d) The duties of a dental assistant or a dental assistant holding a permit in orthodontic assisting or in dental sedation shall not include any of the following procedures unless specifically allowed by law:~~

~~(1) Diagnosis and comprehensive treatment planning.~~

~~(2) Placing, finishing, or removing permanent restorations.~~

~~(3) Surgery or cutting on hard and soft tissue including, but not limited to, the removal of teeth and the cutting and suturing of soft tissue.~~

~~(4) Prescribing medication.~~

~~(5) Starting the flow of nitrous oxide and oxygen gases.~~

~~(6) Administration of local or general anesthesia or sedation.~~

(eg) Unless otherwise permitted in this section, the duties of a dental assistant do not include any duty or procedure that only a registered dental assistant, registered dental assistant in extended functions, orthodontic assistant, dental sedation assistant, registered dental hygienist, or registered dental hygienist in alternative practice is allowed to perform.

(fh) The placement of pit and fissure sealants may only be performed by a registered dental assistant, registered dental assistant in extended functions, registered dental hygienist, or registered dental hygienist in alternative practice.

1752.4. (a) A registered dental assistant may perform all of the following the duties and procedures of a dental assistant as specified in subdivisions (a), (b), and (c) of Section 1750.1 while the supervising licensed dentist is present at the patient's chairside while the duty is being performed. ~~may perform all the following duties under the general supervision and pursuant to the order, control, and full professional responsibility of a licensed dentist:~~

~~(1) All duties that a dental assistant is allowed to perform.~~

~~(2) Mouth-mirror inspections of the oral cavity, to include charting of obvious lesions, existing restorations, and missing teeth.~~

~~(3) Apply and activate bleaching agents using a nonlaser light-curing device.~~

~~(4) Use of automated caries detection devices and materials and recording of such findings before placement of pit and fissure sealants.~~

~~(5) Obtain intraoral images for computer-aided design (CAD), milled restorations.~~

~~(6) Pulp vitality testing and recording of findings.~~

~~(7) Place bases, liners, etch, and bonding agents for restorative procedures.~~

~~(8) Chemically prepare teeth for bonding for restorative procedures.~~

~~(9) Place, adjust, and finish direct provisional restorations.~~

~~(10) Fabricate, adjust, cement, and remove indirect provisional restorations, including stainless steel crowns when used as a provisional restoration.~~

~~(11) Place post-extraction dressings after inspection of the surgical site by the supervising licensed dentist.~~

~~(12) Place periodontal dressings.~~

~~(13) Dry endodontically treated canals using absorbent paper points.~~

~~(14) Perform sore spot adjustment only of dentures extraorally.~~

~~(15) Perform tissue conditioning and soft reline of dentures.~~

~~(16) Remove excess cement from surfaces of teeth with a hand instrument.~~

~~(17) Polish coronal surfaces of the teeth.~~

~~(18) Place ligature ties and archwires.~~

~~(19) All duties that the board may prescribe by regulation.~~

(eb) A registered dental assistant may perform the following duties under direct supervision:

(1) The duties that a dental assistant is allowed to perform under paragraphs (5), (6), (12), (13), and (14) of subdivision (c) of Section 1750.1.

(2) Isolate, etch, bond, and attach composite buttons for orthodontic procedures.

(3) Size, fit, secure, and remove orthodontic bands using appropriate dental materials.

(c) A registered dental assistant may perform the following duties under general supervision:

(1) The duties that a dental assistant is allowed to perform under paragraphs (1) through (4) and (7) through (11) under subdivision (c) and subdivision (d) of Section 1750.1.

(2) Mouth-mirror inspections of the oral cavity, to include charting of obvious lesions, existing restorations, and missing teeth.

(3) Apply and activate bleaching agents using a nonlaser light-curing device.

(4) Use of automated caries detection devices and materials and recording of such findings before placement of pit and fissure sealants.

(5) Obtain intraoral images for computer-aided design (CAD), milled restorations.

- (6) Pulp vitality testing and recording of findings.
- (7) Place bases, liners, etch, and bonding agents for restorative procedures.
- (8) Chemically prepare teeth for bonding for restorative procedures.
- (9) Place, adjust, and finish direct provisional restorations with a hand instrument.
- (10) Fabricate, adjust, cement, and remove indirect provisional restorations, including stainless steel crowns when used as a provisional restoration.
- (11) Place post-extraction, periodontal, and temporary sedative dressings after inspection of the surgical site by the supervising licensed dentist.
- (12) Place periodontal dressings.
- (13) Dry endodontically treated canals using absorbent paper points.
- (14) Perform sore-spot adjustment only of dentures extraorally.
- (15) Perform tissue conditioning and soft reline of dentures.
- (16) Remove excess cement from supragingival surfaces of teeth with a hand instrument.
- (17) Polish coronal surfaces of the teeth.
- (18) Place ligature ties and archwires.
- (19) Perform radiographic procedures.

(d) The board may prescribe additional allowable duties by regulation.

(be) A registered dental assistant may only perform the following additional duties after successfully completing a board-approved registered dental assistant educational program or board-approved course in those duties, submitting to the Board a copy of the certificate of completion of the board-approved program or course, and the duty has been added to their Registered Dental Assistant license by the Board.

(1) Under direct supervision of a licensed dentist, Rremove excess cement with an ultrasonic scaler from supragingival surfaces of teeth undergoing orthodontic treatment.

~~(2) The allowable duties of an orthodontic assistant permitholder as specified in Section 1750.3. A registered dental assistant shall not be required to complete further instruction in the duties of placing ligature ties and archwires, removing orthodontic bands, and removing excess cement from tooth surfaces with a hand instrument.~~

~~(3) The allowable duties of a dental sedation assistant permitholder as specified in Section 1750.5.~~

~~(4) Under general supervision of a licensed dentist, the application and adjustment of pit and fissure sealants with a hand instrument.~~

(f) A registered dental assistant may only perform the following additional duties under direct supervision of a supervising licensed dentist after successfully completing a board-approved course in those duties and obtaining the required permit from the Board.

(1) The allowable duties of an orthodontic assistant permitholder as specified in paragraphs (1) through (5) and (7) through (8) of subdivision (a) of Section 1750.3.

(2) The allowable duties of a dental sedation assistant permitholder as specified in Section 1750.5.

~~(eg) Except as provided in Section 1777, the supervising licensed dentist shall be responsible for ensuring completion of courses to perform additional duties and determining whether each authorized procedure performed by a registered dental assistant should be performed under general or direct supervision.~~

~~(d) The supervising dentist shall be responsible for determining whether each authorized procedure in subdivision (a) performed by a registered dental assistant should be performed under general or direct supervision.~~

~~(e) A registered dental assistant may perform the following duties under direct supervision and pursuant to the order, control, and full professional responsibility of a licensed dentist:~~

~~(1) Isolate, etch, bond, and attach composite buttons for orthodontic procedures.~~

~~(2) Size, fit, secure, and remove orthodontic bands using appropriate dental materials.~~

(fh) Notwithstanding subdivision (be), a registered dental assistant may perform a duty specified in this section using contemporary techniques and materials designed for use in the performance of that duty under the direct supervision and pursuant to the order, control, and full professional responsibility of a supervising licensed dentist if the registered dental assistant has completed the appropriate education and training, and whose skill, knowledge, and education in the use of such contemporary technique or material has been determined clinically competent by the supervising licensed