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Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Board of Dentistry, Department of Health Professions
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation(s)	18VAC60-21 18VAC60-25
Regulation title(s)	Regulations Governing the Practice of Dentistry Regulations Governing the Practice of Dental Hygiene
Action title	Conformity to changes in Code for remote supervision
Final agency action date	June 9, 2017
Date this document prepared	July 12, 2017

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Brief summary

Please provide a brief summary of the proposed new regulation, proposed amendments to the existing regulation, or the regulation proposed to be repealed. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

The Board has amended its regulations to conform regulations regarding remote supervision of the practice of dental hygienists to changes in the Code pursuant to Chapter 410 of the 2017 General Assembly. The changes are: 1) an amendment to the definition of "remote supervision" to delete the requirement for the supervision to be provided by the employing dentist; and 2) an amendment to documentation in the patient record to require confirmation that the patient does not have another dentist of record whom he is seeing regularly.

Statement of final agency action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including: 1) the date the action was taken; 2) the name of the agency taking the action; and 3) the title of the regulation.

On June 9, 2017, the Board of Dentistry adopted amendments to 18VAC60-21-10 et seq., Regulations Governing the Practice of Dentistry; and 18VAC60-25-10 et seq., Regulations Governing the Practice of Dental Hygiene.

Family impact

Please assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability including to what extent the regulatory action will: 1) strengthen or erode the authority and rights of parents in the education, nurturing, and supervision of their children; 2) encourage or discourage economic self-sufficiency, self-pride, and the assumption of responsibility for oneself, one's spouse, and one's children and/or elderly parents; 3) strengthen or erode the marital commitment; and 4) increase or decrease disposable family income.

There is no impact on the family.