

Instructions for Applicants

Successful completion of this examination is required as one of the conditions for licensure in the State of Vermont.

1. Use the Answer Sheet to record your answers, return it along with your application, and keep a copy of the exam questions.
 2. The Office will correct the exam and return the answersheet to you noting items answered incorrectly.
 3. If you had **more than six incorrect answers**, you need to review those questions and the Board's Laws and Rules to find the correct answer. You must resubmit the answersheet with the changes noted in Red.
 4. If you had **fewer than six incorrect answers**, we encourage you to review those questions and the Board's Laws and Rules to find the correct answer.
1. In order to be eligible for licensure as a dental hygienist on the basis of endorsement the applicant must:
 - a. be currently licensed in a state with requirements substantially equivalent to Vermont's
 - b. be in good standing in the state they are being endorsed from
 - c. have graduated from an accredited dental hygiene institution
 - d. all of the above
 2. In the case where a standard of professional conduct as set forth in title 3 conflicts with a standard set forth in a specific board's statute or rule, the standard that is most protective of the public shall govern.
 - a. true
 - b. false
 3. A dental hygienist who fails to renew a license is an illegal practitioner and shall forfeit the right to practice until reinstated by the Board.
 - a. true
 - b. false

4. A dental hygienist may:
- a. prescribe drugs under the supervision of a dentist
 - b. diagnose periodontal disease
 - c. make referrals to oral surgeons
 - d. none of the above
5. A dental hygienist may perform:
- a. duties taught in the normal educational curriculum for dental hygienists
 - b. expanded dental functions, without additional training or certification
 - c. local anesthesia, without additional training or certification
 - d. all of the above
6. A registered dental hygienist, with endorsement to administer local anesthesia may do so:
- a. under general supervision
 - b. under direct supervision
 - c. without supervision
 - d. with another hygienist present
7. The dental hygienist member on the Board of Dental Examiners may not:
- a. hold office in his/her state or local profession or organization
 - b. be on the faculty of any dental, dental hygiene or dental assisting school
 - c. be retired from the practice of dental hygiene
 - d. all of the above
8. To qualify for a dental hygiene license by endorsement an applicant must meet all of the following requirements EXCEPT one. Which one is the EXCEPTION?
- a. the applicant must be currently licensed in a jurisdiction of the United States or Canada with requirements of education and examination which are substantially equivalent to those currently in effect in Vermont
 - b. the applicant must retake the National Dental Hygiene Board Examination
 - c. the applicant must be in good standing and has not been disciplined in any jurisdiction where the applicant has been licensed, or has been fully reinstated
 - d. the applicant must successfully complete the Vermont dental statutes and rules examination

9. Renewal for dental hygienist licensure occurs every _____ year:
- 1 year
 - 2 years
 - 3 years
 - on the licensee's birthdate
10. The license of a dental hygienist practicing in _____ Vermont must:
- be carried with them at all times
 - displayed in each room of his/her practice
 - displayed in public view in his/her place of business
 - both A & C
11. In order for a dental hygienist to renew their _____ license after two years of licensure in Vermont they must have:
- met the active practice requirement
 - completed at least 18 hours of continuing education
 - completed a course in emergency office procedures
 - all of the above
12. Under direct supervision, a dental hygienist with _____ than anesthesia endorsement may administer:
- nitrous oxide sedation
 - local anesthesia
 - intramuscular anesthesia
 - none of the above
13. Disciplinary action may be taken against a dental hygienist for the following reasons:
- fraudulent procurement of a license
 - addiction to drugs or alcohol
 - immoral conduct of a hygienist in the practice of dental hygiene
 - all of the above
14. The current length of the appointment term for _____ a dental hygienist to the Board of Dental Examiners is:
- five years
 - three years
 - seven years
 - two years

15. The Board of Dental Examiners is obliged to comply with the:
- a. laws of professional regulation
 - b. right to know law
 - c. access to public records law
 - d. all of the above
16. Any person shall have the right to a review of the Board of Dental Examiner's decision if their license has been:
- a. denied
 - b. revoked
 - c. suspended
 - d. all of the above
17. The practice of dental hygiene under general supervision in the office of a licensed dentist means that:
- a. the dentist must be available for consultation
 - b. the dentist may leave the office manager in charge
 - c. the dentist must be physically present in the office
 - d. the dental hygienist may develop a treatment plan for the patient.
18. A dental hygienist practicing under general supervision in a public or private school or public or private institution:
- a. must have no less than 3 years of licensed clinical practice experience
 - b. need to complete a general supervision agreement and file it with the Board of Dental Examiners
 - c. must work with a supervising dentist who has had no less than 3 years experience
 - d. all of the above.
19. Dental hygienists serve on the Board of Dental Examiners to:
- a. protect public health, safety and welfare
 - b. set standards for licensing and registration
 - c. participate as a non-voting member
 - d. both A & B
20. The Board of Dental Examiners has the power and duty to:
- a. investigate all complaints and charges
 - b. issue subpoenas and hold hearings
 - c. employ legal counsel as necessary
 - d. all of the above

21. A dental hygienist may qualify for local anesthesia privileges if:
- they satisfactorily completed a course of study in local anesthesia of at least 24 hours of clinical and didactic instruction
 - they have successfully completed the NERB local anesthesia exam
 - they submit a certificate of course completion to the Board of Dental Examiners for its review
 - all of the above
22. The Board of Dental Examiners may audit dental hygienists for compliance with the continuing education requirements.
- true
 - false
23. For each instance of unprofessional conduct, the Board of Dental Examiners may impose a civil penalty of up to:
- \$250.00
 - \$500.00
 - \$750.00
 - \$1000.00
24. Title 26 Vermont Statutes Annotated (V.S.A.) Chapter 13 pertains to:
- dental hygienists
 - dentists
 - dental assistants
 - all of the above
25. Active practice for dental hygienists is defined as practicing under a valid license in this or another U.S. or Canadian jurisdiction for no fewer than 50 hours in five years.
- true
 - false

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