

3100.8400 ASSISTANTS WITHOUT A LICENSE.

Subpart 1. **Permissible procedures.** Assistants without a license may:

- A. retract a patient's cheek, tongue, or other parts of tissue during a dental operation;
- B. assist with the placement or removal of devices or materials for isolation purposes as directed by the dentist or dental therapist during dental treatment;
- C. remove debris or water that is created during treatment rendered by a dentist or dental therapist using suction devices;
- D. provide any assistance, including the placement of articles and topical medication in a patient's oral cavity during dental treatment under the personal supervision of a dentist or dental therapist;
- E. aid dental hygienists and licensed dental assistants in the performance of their delegated procedures defined in parts 3100.8500 and 3100.8700; and
- F. apply fluoride varnish in a community setting under the authorization and direction of a licensed practitioner with prescribing authority such as a dentist or physician, as long as the licensed practitioner authorizing the service or the facility at which the fluoride varnish is administered maintains appropriate patient records of the treatment.

Subp. 1a. **Compliance with minimal requirements.** The dentist is responsible for ensuring that any assistant working under the dentist's or dental therapist's supervision as defined in subpart 1:

- A. completes a CPR certification course and maintains current CPR certification thereafter; and
- B. complies with the most current infection control practices for a dental setting.

Subp. 2. [Repealed, 10 SR 1612]

Subp. 3. **Other procedures prohibited.** An assistant must not perform any dental treatment or procedure on patients not otherwise authorized by this chapter.

Statutory Authority: *MSs 150A.04; 150A.06; 150A.08; 150A.10; 150A.11; 214.15; 319A.18*

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