

TITLE I
GENERAL PROVISIONSCHAPTER 1
DEFINITIONS

[Prior to 5/18/88, Dental Examiners, Board of [320]]

650—1.1(153) Definitions. As used in this chapter:

“*Board*” means the board of dental examiners.

“*Chapter*” means Iowa Code chapter 153.

“*Department*” means the department of public health.

“*Examination meeting*” means those meetings of the board held in Iowa City for the purpose of examining candidates for licensure as dentists or as dental hygienists. The time and place of the examination meeting shall be set by the board and notice published in the Journal of the American Dental Association at least 60 days in advance.

“*Inactive status*” means the status of a practitioner licensed in the state of Iowa to practice dentistry or dental hygiene who is not currently engaged in the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene in the state of Iowa and who has obtained a certificate of exemption from compliance with the requirements for continuing dental education.

“*Peer review*” as defined in Iowa Code section 272C.1(7) means evaluation of professional services rendered by a licensee.

“*Peer review committee*” as defined in Iowa Code section 272C.1(8) means one or more persons acting in a peer review capacity pursuant to these rules.

“*Practice of dental hygiene*” as defined in Iowa Code section 153.15 includes assisting the dental profession in providing oral health care by performing the following services:

1. Educational: Issuing written and oral instructions for optimal oral health, including the teaching of proper brushing techniques and interdental stimulation; assess the need for, plan, implement and evaluate oral health education programs for individual patients and community groups.

2. Therapeutic: Perform oral prophylaxis including removing supragingival and subgingival deposits and polishing restorations and removable prostheses; application or administration of medicaments prescribed by a licensed dentist; remove excess restorative materials; recognize and assist in management of medical and dental emergencies. The administration of medicaments does not include the injection of anesthetics. However, a degree-granting dental hygiene program may offer clinical instruction by a licensed dentist in the administration of local anesthetics by injection.

3. Preventive: The topical application of medicaments and other methods for caries control.

4. Diagnostic: Provide diagnostic aids including taking and recording medical and dental histories; making impressions for diagnostic models; exposing radiographs; making occlusal registrations for mounting study casts; testing pulp vitality; recording vital signs; making and analyzing dietary surveys; and indexing dental and periodontal disease, and any other abnormal conditions; perform oral inspection.

“*Practice of dentistry*” as defined in Iowa Code section 153.13 includes the rendering of professional services in this state as an employee or independent contractor.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 147.1(2), 147.13, 147.30, 147.76, 147.80, 153.13 and 153.15, and chapter 272C.

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