

650—16.2(153) Scope of authority.

16.2(1) A license to practice dentistry issued by this board permits the licensee to prescribe, administer, or dispense prescription drugs if the use is directly related to the practice of dentistry within the scope of the dentist-patient relationship. Registration with the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration and the Iowa board of pharmacy examiners further extends this privilege to controlled substances.

16.2(2) A dental examination must be conducted and a medical history taken before a dentist initially prescribes, administers, or dispenses medication to a patient, except for patients who receive fluoride dispensed under protocols approved by the dental health bureau of the department of public health. The examination must focus on the patient's dental problems, and the resulting diagnosis must relate to the patient's specific complaint. The patient's dental record must contain written evidence of the examination and medical history.

16.2(3) On each occasion when a medication is prescribed, administered, or dispensed to a patient an entry must be made in the patient's dental record containing the following information: the name, quantity, and strength of the medication; the directions for its use; the date of issuance; and the condition for which the medication was used.

16.2(4) A patient's dental record that contains an entry pertaining to the issuance of medications must be retained in accordance with 650—27.11(153,272C).

16.2(5) The prescribing, administering, and dispensing of prescription drugs shall be done in accordance with all applicable state and federal laws.