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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE "DENTAL PRACTICE ACT".**

**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

**Sunset Process - Senate Health and Human Services Committee.** The bill makes changes to the "Dental Practice Act" (act) by:

- Continuing the act for 9 years, until 2034;
- Updating and adding definitions;
- Changing the makeup of the Colorado dental board (board);
- Requiring the attorney general, in addition to counseling the board, to counsel and advise the board's consultants;

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
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- Adding and updating the grounds for which the board may take disciplinary action against an applicant for licensure or a licensee;
- Allowing a licensee's submission to a mental or physical examination to satisfy the requirement to notify the board of a condition that would impair the licensee's ability to practice;
- Adding as exemptions to the act the volunteer practice of dentistry and dental hygiene under specific conditions;
- Repealing the exceptions that allow a dental therapist, dental hygienist, or dental assistant to perform certain dentistry practices and including additional tasks to the list of items included in the practice of dentistry;
- Clarifying that a dental assistant, dental hygienist, and dental therapist may perform tasks consistent with rules adopted by the board;
- Requiring providers who perform itinerant surgery to develop and maintain protocols for emergency follow-up care;
- Authorizing licensed dentists to prescribe orders electronically;
- Requiring a peer health assistance program selected as a designated provider for the dentist peer health assistance program to provide training and calibration to dentists who practice monitoring services;
- Authorizing dentists to self-refer to participate in a peer health assistance program or be referred by the board;
- Requiring an applicant for dental, dental hygienist, or dental therapy licensure to pass a jurisprudence examination that tests the applicant's knowledge of the act;
- Removing a requirement that dental education schools and programs must be accredited or approved by a specific entity;
- Requiring the board to adopt rules that allow for expedited, temporary licensure during a public health emergency;
- Repealing specific tasks that are currently authorized to be performed by a dental therapist;
- Updating procedures for the construction of dental devices by an unlicensed technician;
- Updating the list of practices that are considered to be the practice of unsupervised dental hygiene;
- Repealing the specific dosages of certain drugs that a dental hygienist may prescribe;
- Authorizing the board to adopt rules that identify safe prescribing alternatives to silver diamine fluoride as a

- treatment for strengthening teeth and preventing tooth decay;
- Identifying tasks that are deemed to be practicing supervised dental hygiene;
- Requiring a dental hygienist performing an interim therapeutic restoration to confirm a referral for follow-up care with a dentist;
- Limiting the number of dental hygienists that a dentist may supervise; and
- Authorizing a dental therapist to perform specific tasks.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-104, **amend** (1), (4), (9)(a), and (10)(a); **add** (5.2), (10.5), and (14.5); and **add with amended and relocated provisions** (5.3) as follows:

**12-220-104. Definitions - rules.** As used in this article 220, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) "Accredited" means a program that is nationally recognized for specialized accrediting for dental, dental therapy, dental hygiene, and dental auxiliary programs by THE COMMISSION ON DENTAL ACCREDITATION OR A SPECIALTY ACCREDITING ORGANIZATION RECOGNIZED BY the United States department of education OR BY A SUCCESSOR ORGANIZATION OF THE COMMISSION.

(4) "Dental hygiene" means the delivery of preventive, educational, and clinical services supporting total health for the control of oral disease; THE IMPACT OF THE DISEASE, DISORDER, OR CONDITION ON THE HUMAN BODY; and the promotion of oral health provided by a dental hygienist within the scope of the dental hygienist's education, training, and experience and in accordance with applicable law.

(5.2) "DENTAL HYGIENE LABORATORY WORK ORDER" MEANS THE DOCUMENTED ORDER OF A DENTAL HYGIENIST LICENSED IN THIS STATE

1     AUTHORIZING ANOTHER PERSON TO CONSTRUCT, REPRODUCE, OR REPAIR  
2     AN ORAL MEDICAMENT CARRIER.

3             (5.3) [Formerly 12-220-104 (11)] "DENTAL laboratory work       
4     order" means the ~~written instructions~~ DOCUMENTED ORDER of a dentist  
5     licensed in Colorado authorizing another person to construct, reproduce,  
6     or repair any prosthetic denture, bridge, appliance, or other structure to  
7     function in the oral cavity, maxillofacial area, or adjacent and associated  
8     regions.

9             (9) (a) (I) "Indirect supervision" means the supervision of those  
10    tasks or procedures that do not require the presence of the dentist in the  
11    office or on the premises at the time the tasks or procedures are being  
12    performed but do require that the tasks be performed with the prior  
13    knowledge and consent of the dentist.

14            (II) FOR PROCEDURES PERFORMED UNDER INDIRECT SUPERVISION,  
15    IF FOLLOW-UP CARE IS INDICATED, THE TREATING PROVIDER SHALL  
16    PROVIDE AN APPROPRIATE REFERRAL FOR RECOMMENDED FOLLOW-UP  
17    CARE.

18            (III) A DENTIST WHO PROVIDES INDIRECT SUPERVISION MUST HAVE  
19    AN ACTIVE COLORADO LICENSE IN GOOD STANDING.

20            (10) (a) "Interim therapeutic restoration" or "ITR" means a direct  
21    provisional restoration placed to stabilize a tooth until a licensed dentist  
22    OR DENTAL THERAPIST can assess the need for further definitive treatment.

23                (10.5) "ITINERANT SURGERY" MEANS THE PROVISION OF  
24    ELECTIVE SURGICAL PROCEDURES BY A PROVIDER WHO TRAVELS BETWEEN  
25    MULTIPLE TREATMENT FACILITIES RATHER THAN OPERATING FROM A  
26    SINGLE, ESTABLISHED SURGICAL LOCATION WHERE THE PROVIDER IS NOT  
27    EMPLOYED OR DOES NOT HOLD OWNERSHIP OR A LONG-TERM LEASE.

1 "ITINERANT SURGERY" INCLUDES SPECIALTY-LEVEL SURGICAL CARE  
2 PERFORMED IN A FACILITY BY A PROVIDER WHO IS NOT A GRADUATE OF AN  
3 ACCREDITED SURGICAL TRAINING PROGRAM FOR THAT SPECIALTY.

4 (14.5) "TELEDENTISTRY" MEANS TELEHEALTH METHODOLOGIES  
5 AND SYSTEMS THAT ARE USED IN A MANNER THAT IS COMPLIANT WITH THE  
6 FEDERAL "HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT  
7 OF 1996", 42 U.S.C. SECS. 1320d TO 1320d-9, AS AMENDED, TO DELIVER  
8 ORAL HEALTH SERVICES IN DENTISTRY, INCLUDING INFORMATIONAL AND  
9 ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES, REMOTE MONITORING  
10 TECHNOLOGIES, AND STORE-AND-FORWARD TRANSFERS, TO FACILITATE  
11 THE ASSESSMENT, DIAGNOSIS, CONSULTATION, COUNSELING, AND  
12 EDUCATION OF, OR TREATMENT PLANNING FOR, A PATIENT WHILE THE  
13 PATIENT IS LOCATED AT AN ORIGINATING SITE WITHOUT A DENTAL  
14 PRACTITIONER, AND THE DENTAL PRACTITIONER PROVIDING THE SERVICE  
15 IS AT A DISTANT SITE.

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17 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-105, **amend**  
18 == (1)(b)(II)(A) and (5) as follows:

19 **12-220-105. Colorado dental board - qualifications of board**  
20 **members - quorum - panel - rules - review of functions - repeal of**  
21 **article - repeal.** (1) (b) (II) (A) Effective July 1, 2031, the board consists  
22 of seven dentist members, two ONE OF WHOM IS AN ORAL AND  
23 MAXILLOFACIAL SURGEON UNLESS AN ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL  
24 SURGEON IS NOT AVAILABLE; ONE dental therapist members, two MEMBER;  
25 THREE dental hygienist members; and two members from the public at  
26 large; EXCEPT THAT THE DENTAL THERAPIST SEAT SHALL REMAIN OPEN  
27 AND A DENTAL THERAPIST MEMBER SHALL NOT BE APPOINTED UNTIL

1 THERE ARE AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED DENTAL THERAPISTS ACTIVELY  
2 ENGAGED IN CLINICAL PRACTICE IN THIS STATE. The governor shall  
3 appoint each member for a term of four years, and each member must  
4 have the qualifications provided in this article 220. A member shall not  
5 serve more than two consecutive terms of four years. Each board member  
6 holds office until the member's term expires or until the governor  
7 appoints a successor.

8 (5) ~~(a)~~ THIS ARTICLE 220 IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1,  
9 2034. Before the repeal, ~~of this article 220 pursuant to subsection (5)(b)~~  
10 ~~of this section~~, all functions of the board are scheduled for review in  
11 accordance with section 24-34-104.

12 ~~(b) This article 220 is repealed, effective September 1, 2025.~~

13 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-106, **amend**  
14 (1)(a) introductory portion and (2); and **add** (1)(a)(VI) and (1)(a)(VII) as  
15 follows:

16 **12-220-106. Powers and duties of board - rules - limitation on**  
17 **authority.** (1) The board shall exercise, in accordance with this article  
18 220, the following powers and duties:

19 (a) ~~Make~~ ADOPT, publish, declare, and periodically review  
20 reasonable rules pursuant to section 12-20-204, including rules regarding:

21 (VI) REQUIREMENTS FOR JURISPRUDENCE EDUCATION PRIOR TO  
22 INITIAL LICENSURE;

23 (VII) DEFINITIONS FOR THE TERMS "IN GOOD STANDING" AND  
24 "PATIENT REPRESENTATIVE" FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE 220;

25 (2) The board may recognize those dental specialties defined by  
26 the ~~American Dental Association~~ NATIONAL COMMISSION ON  
27 RECOGNITION OF DENTAL SPECIALTIES AND CERTIFYING BOARDS OR THE

1 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

2 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 12-220-108  
3 as follows:

4 **12-220-108. Attorney general shall represent board and**  
5 **members. (1)** The attorney general of the state of Colorado shall counsel  
6 with and advise the board     in connection with ~~its~~ THE BOARD'S duties  
7 and responsibilities ~~under~~ DESCRIBED IN this article 220. If litigation is  
8 brought against the board or any of its individual members        in  
9 connection with actions taken by the board or any of its members under  
10 this article 220 and the actions are free of malice, fraud, or willful neglect  
11 of duty, the attorney general shall defend the litigation without cost to the  
12 board or to any individual member of the board.

13 (2) A WITNESS OR CONSULTANT APPEARING OR TESTIFYING BEFORE  
14 THE BOARD, OR PROVIDING EXPERT CONSULTATION TO THE BOARD, HAS  
15 THE SAME IMMUNITY AND IS SUBJECT TO THE SAME CONDITIONS FOR  
16 IMMUNITY AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 12-20-402.

17 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-201, **amend**  
18 (1)(n), (1)(s), (1)(ii), and (1)(oo); and **add** (1)(qq) and (1)(rr) as follows:

19 **12-220-201. Grounds for disciplinary action - definition.**

20 (1) The board may take disciplinary action against an applicant or  
21 licensee in accordance with sections 12-20-404 and 12-220-202 for any  
22 of the following causes:

23 (n) Refusing to make patient records available to a patient,  
24 PATIENT REPRESENTATIVE, OR PREVIOUS OR CURRENT TREATMENT  
25 PROVIDER WITHIN SEVEN CALENDAR DAYS AFTER A WRITTEN REQUEST  
26 pursuant to a written authorization request under section 25-1-802;

27 (s) Failing to furnish unlicensed persons with DENTAL laboratory

1 work orders pursuant to section 12-220-502;

2 (ii) Advertising or otherwise holding oneself out to the public as  
3 practicing a dental specialty in which the dentist has not successfully  
4 completed the education specified for the dental specialty as defined by  
5 the ~~American Dental Association~~ NATIONAL COMMISSION ON  
6 RECOGNITION OF DENTAL SPECIALTIES AND CERTIFYING BOARDS OR THE  
7 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION;

8 (oo) Failing to comply with ~~sections 12-220-501 (1)(a)(H)(C) and~~  
9 ~~12-220-503 (1)(g)~~ SECTION 12-220-503 (1)(g) and rules adopted pursuant  
10 to ~~those sections~~ THAT SECTION regarding the application of silver  
11 diamine fluoride; ~~or~~

12 (qq) PRACTICING OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF AN ARTICULATED PLAN  
13 DEVELOPED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 12-220-503 (1)(g)(V) OR  
14 12-220-508 (1)(b), (1)(c)(VII), OR (2); OR

15 (rr) THE FAILURE OF THE PROVIDER PERFORMING ITINERANT  
16 SURGERY TO PROVIDE NECESSARY FOLLOW-UP CARE, INCLUDING THE  
17 FAILURE TO PROVIDE A POST-PROCEDURE CARE PLAN OUTLINING  
18 FOLLOW-UP CARE IN A FACILITY OR TO BE PERFORMED BY A LICENSED  
19 SURGICAL SPECIALIST WHO IS LOCATED WITHIN A REASONABLE DISTANCE  
20 FROM THE OFFICE WHERE THE INITIAL CARE WAS PROVIDED IF THE  
21 ORIGINAL ITINERANT CARE PROVIDER IS UNAVAILABLE TO PROVIDE THE  
22 NECESSARY FOLLOW-UP CARE. THE POST-PROCEDURE CARE PLAN SHALL  
23 IDENTIFY AN URGENT CARE CENTER OR A HOSPITAL EMERGENCY  
24 DEPARTMENT AS THE PROVIDER OR THE TREATMENT FACILITY FOR  
25 FOLLOW-UP CARE.

26 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-206, **add** (4)  
27 and (5) as follows:



1           **12-220-206. Mental and physical examinations.** (4) A  
2           LICENSEE'S VOLUNTARY SUBMISSION TO A MENTAL OR PHYSICAL  
3           EXAMINATION AND COMPLETION OF ANY REQUIREMENTS GIVEN BY THE  
4           QUALIFIED PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATED BY THE BOARD SATISFIES ANY  
5           REQUIREMENT TO NOTIFY THE BOARD OF A PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH  
6           CONDITION THAT MAY IMPACT THE LICENSEE'S ABILITY TO PRACTICE WITH  
7           REASONABLE SKILL AND SAFETY PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-30-108 (1),  
8           12-220-201 (1)(j)(I), OR 12-220-310 (3), UNLESS THE QUALIFIED  
9           PROFESSIONAL NOTIFIES THE LICENSEE THAT THE LICENSEE MUST NOTIFY  
10          THE BOARD OF THE CONDITION.

11           (5) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS DESCRIBED IN SECTION  
12          12-30-108 (1), 12-220-201 (1)(j)(I), OR 12-220-310 (3) BEGIN UPON  
13          DISCHARGE OF A LICENSEE ENROLLED IN INPATIENT TREATMENT FOR A  
14          SERIOUS MENTAL HEALTH OR PHYSICAL CONDITION.

15           **SECTION 7.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-302, **amend**  
16          (1)(b), (1)(f), (1)(g), and (1)(j); and **add** (1)(k) and (1)(l) as follows:

17           **12-220-302. Persons exempt from operation of this article.**

18          (1) This article 220 does not apply to the following practices, acts, and  
19          operations:

20           (b) The administration of an anesthetic FOR A DENTAL OPERATION  
21          by a qualified anesthetist LICENSED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 240 OF THIS  
22          TITLE 12 or ~~registered~~ A nurse ~~for a dental operation~~ LICENSED OR  
23          REGISTERED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 255 OF THIS TITLE 12;

24           (f) The practice of dentistry, dental therapy, or dental hygiene by  
25          dentists, dental therapists, or dental hygienists licensed in good standing  
26          by other states or countries while appearing in ACCREDITED OR  
27          BOARD-APPROVED programs of dental education or research, at the

1 invitation of any group of licensed dentists, dental therapists, or dental  
2 hygienists in this state who are in good standing, so long as the practice  
3 is limited to five consecutive days in a twelve-month period and the name  
4 of each person engaging in the practice is submitted to the board, in  
5 ~~writing and on a form~~ A FORMAT approved by the board, at least ten days  
6 before the person performs the practice;

7 (g) The filling of DENTAL laboratory work orders of a licensed  
8 dentist, as provided by section 12-220-502, by any person, association,  
9 corporation, or other entity for the construction, reproduction, or repair  
10 of prosthetic dentures, bridges, plates, or appliances to be used or worn  
11 as substitutes for natural teeth or for restoration of natural teeth, or  
12 replacement of structures relating to the jaws, maxillofacial area, or  
13 adjacent and associated structures;

14 (j) The practice of dentistry ~~dental therapy, or dental hygiene~~ by  
15 dentists ~~dental therapists, or dental hygienists~~ licensed in good standing  
16 by other states while providing care as a volunteer, at the invitation of any  
17 group of licensed dentists, dental therapists, or dental hygienists in this  
18 state who are in good standing, so long as the practice is limited to five  
19 consecutive days in a twelve-month period and the name of each person  
20 engaging in the practice is submitted to the board, in ~~writing and on a~~  
21 ~~form~~ A FORMAT approved by the board, at least ten days before the person  
22 performs the practice;

23 (k) THE PRACTICE OF DENTAL THERAPY BY DENTAL THERAPISTS  
24 LICENSED IN GOOD STANDING BY OTHER STATES WHILE PROVIDING CARE  
25 AS A VOLUNTEER, AT THE INVITATION OF ANY GROUP OF LICENSED  
26 DENTISTS, DENTAL THERAPISTS, OR DENTAL HYGIENISTS IN THIS STATE  
27 WHO ARE IN GOOD STANDING, SO LONG AS THE PRACTICE IS LIMITED TO

1 FIVE CONSECUTIVE DAYS IN A TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD AND THE NAME OF  
2 EACH PERSON ENGAGING IN THE PRACTICE IS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD,  
3 IN A FORMAT APPROVED BY THE BOARD, AT LEAST TEN DAYS BEFORE THE  
4 PERSON PERFORMS THE PRACTICE, AND THE DENTAL THERAPISTS TREAT  
5 PATIENTS ONLY UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST IN  
6 COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 12-220-508; OR

7 (l) THE PRACTICE OF DENTAL HYGIENE BY DENTAL HYGIENISTS  
8 LICENSED IN GOOD STANDING BY OTHER STATES WHILE PROVIDING CARE  
9 AS A VOLUNTEER, AT THE INVITATION OF ANY GROUP OF LICENSED  
10 DENTISTS, DENTAL THERAPISTS, OR DENTAL HYGIENISTS IN THIS STATE  
11 WHO ARE IN GOOD STANDING, SO LONG AS THE PRACTICE IS LIMITED TO  
12 FIVE CONSECUTIVE DAYS IN A TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD AND THE NAME OF  
13 EACH PERSON ENGAGING IN THE PRACTICE IS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD,  
14 IN A FORMAT APPROVED BY THE BOARD, AT LEAST TEN DAYS BEFORE THE  
15 PERSON PERFORMS THE PRACTICE, AND THE DENTAL HYGIENISTS TREAT  
16 PATIENTS ONLY UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST.

17 **SECTION 8.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-303, **amend**  
18 (2)(a) and (3)(d) as follows:

19 **12-220-303. Ownership of dental or dental hygiene practice -**  
20 **information to be posted - heir to serve as temporary proprietor -**  
21 **limitations - definitions.** (2) (a) The name, license number, ownership  
22 percentage, and other information, as required by the board, of each  
23 proprietor of a dental or dental hygiene practice, including an unlicensed  
24 heir who is the temporary proprietor of the practice, as specified in  
25 subsection (3) of this section, must be IMMEDIATELY AND PUBLICLY  
26 available at the ~~reception desk of the~~ dental or dental hygiene practice  
27 during the practice's hours of operation. The information required by this

1 subsection (2)(a) must be available in a format approved by the board.

2 (3) (d) The temporary proprietorship of a dental or dental hygiene  
3 practice by an unlicensed heir ~~does~~ MUST not affect the exercise of the  
4 independent professional judgment of the licensed dentist or dental  
5 hygienist providing care to patients on behalf of the practice.

6 **SECTION 9.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-304, **amend**  
7 (3) as follows:

8 **12-220-304. Names and status under which dental practice**  
9 **may be conducted.** (3) The practice of dentistry, dental therapy, or  
10 dental hygiene by a PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CORPORATION, limited  
11 liability company of licensees, or ~~by a~~ limited liability partnership of  
12 licensees is permitted subject to the limitations and requirements, insofar  
13 as are applicable, set forth in section 12-240-138 relating to a  
14 PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CORPORATION, limited liability company, or  
15 limited liability partnership for the practice of medicine.

16 **SECTION 10.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-305, **amend**  
17 (1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(c), (1)(d), (1)(j), (1)(k), (1)(l), (1)(m), (1)(n), (1)(p),  
18 (1)(q), (1)(r), and (2); and **add** (1)(s), (1)(t), (1)(u), and (3) as follows:

19 **12-220-305. What constitutes practicing dentistry - rules.**

20 (1) A person is practicing dentistry if the person:

21 (a) Performs or attempts or professes to perform any dental  
22 operation, oral surgery, or dental diagnostic or therapeutic services of any  
23 kind; ~~except that nothing in this subsection (1)(a) prohibits a dental~~  
24 ~~therapist, dental hygienist, or dental assistant from providing preventive~~  
25 ~~dental or nutritional counseling, education, or instruction services;~~

26 (b) Is a proprietor of a place where dental operation, oral surgery,  
27 or dental diagnostic or therapeutic services are performed; ~~except that~~

1 ~~nothing in this subsection (1)(b) prohibits a dental therapist, dental~~  
2 ~~hygienist, or dental assistant from performing those tasks and procedures~~  
3 ~~consistent with section 12-220-501;~~

4 (c) Directly or indirectly, by any means or method, takes A  
5 PHYSICAL OR DIGITAL impression OR SCAN of the human tooth, teeth,  
6 jaws, maxillofacial area, or adjacent and associated structures; performs  
7 any phase of any operation incident to the replacement of a part of a  
8 tooth; or supplies artificial substitutes for the natural teeth, jaws, or  
9 adjacent and associated structures; ~~except that nothing in this subsection~~  
10 ~~(1)(c) prohibits a dental therapist, dental hygienist, or dental assistant~~  
11 ~~from performing tasks and procedures consistent with sections~~  
12 ~~12-220-501 (3)(b)(III), 12-220-503 (1)(d), and 12-220-508;~~

13 (d) Furnishes, supplies, constructs, reproduces, or repairs any A  
14 prosthetic denture, bridge, appliance, or other structure to be worn in the  
15 human mouth or upon the jaws, maxillofacial area, or adjacent and  
16 associated structures other than on the written DENTAL laboratory work  
17 order of a duly licensed and practicing dentist;

18 (j) Extracts or attempts to extract human teeth or corrects, or  
19 attempts to correct, malformations of human teeth or jaws; ~~except that~~  
20 ~~this subsection (1)(j) does not prohibit a dental therapist from performing~~  
21 ~~tasks and procedures consistent with section 12-220-508;~~

22 (k) Repairs or fills cavities in human teeth; ~~except that this~~  
23 ~~subsection (1)(k) does not prohibit a dental therapist from performing~~  
24 ~~tasks and procedures consistent with section 12-220-508;~~

25 (l) Prescribes ionizing radiation or the use of an X ray for the  
26 purpose of taking dental X rays; ~~or roentgenograms; except that nothing~~  
27 ~~in this subsection (1)(l) prohibits these procedures from being delegated~~

1 to appropriately trained personnel in accordance with this article 220 and  
2 rules of the board;

3 (m) Gives or professes to give interpretations or readings of dental  
4 X rays, ~~or roentgenograms~~, CT scans, or other diagnostic methodologies;  
5 ~~except that nothing in this subsection (1)(m) prohibits a dental hygienist~~  
6 ~~from performing tasks and procedures consistent with sections~~  
7 ~~12-220-503 and 12-220-504 or a dental therapist from performing tasks~~  
8 ~~consistent with section 12-220-508;~~

9 (n) Represents ~~himself or herself~~ THEMSELF to an individual or the  
10 general public as practicing dentistry by using the words "dentist" or  
11 "dental surgeon" or by using the letters "D.D.S.", "D.M.D.",  
12 "D.D.S./M.D.", or "D.M.D./M.D."; ~~Nothing in this subsection (1)(n)~~  
13 ~~prohibits a dental therapist, dental hygienist, or dental assistant from~~  
14 ~~performing tasks and procedures consistent with section 12-220-501 (2);~~  
15 ~~(2.5), or (3)(b).~~

16 (p) Prescribes drugs or medications and administers local  
17 anesthesia, analgesia including nitrous oxide/oxygen inhalation,  
18 medication prescribed or administered for the relief of anxiety or  
19 apprehension, minimal sedation, moderate sedation, deep sedation, or  
20 general anesthesia as necessary for the proper practice of dentistry; ~~except~~  
21 ~~that nothing in this subsection (1)(p) prohibits:~~

22 (I) ~~A dental hygienist from performing those tasks and procedures~~  
23 ~~consistent with sections 12-220-501, 12-220-503 (1)(c) and (1)(g), and~~  
24 ~~12-220-504 (1)(c), and in accordance with rules promulgated by the~~  
25 ~~board; or~~

26 (II) ~~A dental therapist from performing those tasks and procedures~~  
27 ~~consistent with sections 12-220-501 (2.5) and 12-220-508 and in~~

1 ~~accordance with rules promulgated by the board.~~

2 (q) Prescribes, induces, and sets dosage levels for inhalation  
3 anesthesia; except that nothing in this subsection (1)(q) prohibits the  
4 delegation of monitoring and administration to DENTAL HYGIENISTS AND  
5 appropriately trained UNLICENSED personnel in accordance with this  
6 article 220 and rules of the board, INCLUDING REQUIRING TRAINING;

7 (r) Gives or professes to give interpretations or readings of dental  
8 charts or records or gives treatment plans or interpretations of treatment  
9 plans derived from examinations, patient records, OR dental X rays; ~~or~~  
10 ~~roentgenograms~~; except that nothing in this subsection (1)(r) prohibits a  
11 dental therapist, dental hygienist, or dental assistant from performing  
12 tasks and procedures consistent with sections 12-220-501 ~~(2)~~, (2.5) and  
13 (3), 12-220-503, 12-220-504, and 12-220-508;

14 (s) MAINTAINS PATIENT CLINICAL RECORDS, DENTAL CHARTS,  
15 IMAGES, TREATMENT PLANS, INTERPRETATIONS, OR OTHER  
16 DOCUMENTATION, EXCEPT WHEN UNDERGOING A TRANSITION IN PRACTICE  
17 OWNERSHIP AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 12-220-303 (2);

18 (t) (I) PURSUANT TO RULES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD, ORDERS AND  
19 ADMINISTERS IMMUNIZATIONS TO PATIENTS SIX YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.  
20 THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT RULES REGARDING DELEGATION OF  
21 IMMUNIZATION ADMINISTRATION BY A LICENSED DENTIST TO A DENTAL  
22 THERAPIST OR DENTAL HYGIENIST AND MAY ADOPT RULES SPECIFYING THE  
23 MINIMUM TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR DENTISTS TO ADMINISTER  
24 IMMUNIZATIONS.

25 (II) A DENTIST WHO ADMINISTERS IMMUNIZATIONS SHALL:

26 (A) NOT PROVIDE MEDICAL OR NONMEDICAL EXEMPTIONS FOR ANY  
27 REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS;

1           (B) ENTER ALL IMMUNIZATION-RELATED ADMINISTRATION  
2           INFORMATION INTO THE COLORADO IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION SYSTEM  
3           CREATED PURSUANT TO PART 24 OF ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE 25;

4           (C) DISCLOSE THEIR MEDICAL TRAINING RELATED TO PEDIATRIC  
5           ADMINISTRATION, INCLUDING THE ABILITY TO MANAGE SIDE EFFECTS OR  
6           ADVERSE OUTCOMES, TO PATIENTS AS PART OF THE PATIENT CONSENT  
7           PROCESS;

8           (D) ADMINISTER ONLY RESPIRATORY AND ORAL HEALTH,  
9           INCLUDING HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS, IMMUNIZATIONS; AND

10           (E) DISTRIBUTE IMMUNIZATION EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS AND  
11           RECOMMENDATIONS DEVELOPED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
12           AND ENVIRONMENT TO THEIR PATIENTS.

13           (u) ORDERS AND ADMINISTERS NEUROMODULATORS AND DERMAL  
14           FILLERS TO DENTAL PATIENTS OF RECORD FOR THERAPEUTIC AND  
15           COSMETIC PURPOSES PURSUANT TO RULES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD  
16           REGARDING REQUIRED TRAINING, ONGOING COMPETENCY, RECORD  
17           KEEPING, AND DELEGATION TO DENTAL HYGIENISTS.

18           (2) ~~A licensed dentist may prescribe orders electronically.~~ THIS  
19           SECTION DOES NOT PROHIBIT:

20           (a) A DENTAL ASSISTANT FROM PERFORMING TASKS AND  
21           PROCEDURES CONSISTENT WITH SECTION 12-220-501 AND IN ACCORDANCE  
22           WITH RULES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD;

23           (b) A DENTAL HYGIENIST FROM PERFORMING TASKS AND  
24           PROCEDURES CONSISTENT WITH SECTIONS 12-220-501, 12-220-503, AND  
25           12-220-504 AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD;

26           OR

27           (c) A DENTAL THERAPIST FROM PERFORMING TASKS AND



1 PROCEDURES CONSISTENT WITH SECTIONS 12-220-501 AND 12-220-508  
2 AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD.

3 (3) A PROVIDER PERFORMING ITINERANT SURGERY SHALL DEVELOP  
4 AND MAINTAIN A WRITTEN PROTOCOL FOR EMERGENCY FOLLOW-UP CARE  
5 WITH APPROPRIATELY TRAINED PRACTITIONERS FOR ALL PATIENTS  
6 TREATED. THE PLAN SHALL BE PROVIDED TO EACH PATIENT UNDERGOING  
7 TREATMENT AND MUST BE AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY AT THE REQUEST OF  
8 THE BOARD. THE WRITTEN PROTOCOL MUST INCLUDE A PROVISION THAT  
9 REQUIRES THE PROVIDER TO INCLUDE IN A PLAN OF CARE FOLLOW-UP  
10 TREATMENT IN A PERMANENTLY ESTABLISHED TREATMENT FACILITY  
11 WITHIN A REASONABLE PROXIMITY OF THE LOCATION WHERE ITINERANT  
12 SURGICAL TREATMENT WAS PERFORMED. THIS FOLLOW-UP TREATMENT  
13 SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE ITINERANT SURGICAL TREATMENT OPERATOR  
14 OR AN APPROPRIATELY TRAINED PRACTITIONER WHO HAS AGREED IN  
15 WRITING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EMERGENCY FOLLOW-UP CARE PLAN FOR  
16 THE ITINERANT SURGICAL TREATMENT OPERATOR. THE APPROPRIATELY  
17 TRAINED PRACTITIONER MUST BE AVAILABLE WHEN THE ITINERANT  
18 SURGICAL OPERATOR IS NOT AVAILABLE.

19 **SECTION 11.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-306, **amend**  
20 (1)(a)(III) and (1)(b); and **add** (3) and (4) as follows:

21 **12-220-306. Dentists may prescribe drugs - surgical operations**  
22 **- anesthesia - limits on prescriptions - rules.** (1) (a) A licensed dentist  
23 is authorized to:

24 (III) Administer, pursuant to A PERMIT REQUIRED BY SECTION  
25 12-220-411 AND PURSUANT TO board rules, local anesthesia, analgesia  
26 including nitrous oxide/oxygen inhalation, medication prescribed or  
27 administered for the relief of anxiety or apprehension, minimal sedation,

1 moderate sedation, deep sedation, or general anesthesia; and

2 (b) A dentist shall not prescribe, distribute, or give to any person,  
3 including ~~the dentist~~ THEMSELF, any habit-forming drug or any controlled  
4 substance, as defined in section 18-18-102 (5) or as contained in schedule  
5 II of 21 U.S.C. sec. 812, other than in the course of legitimate dental  
6 practice and pursuant to the rules ~~promulgated~~ ADOPTED by the board  
7 regarding controlled substance record keeping AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH  
8 THE ELECTRONIC PRESCRIBING OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES AS REQUIRED  
9 BY SECTION 12-30-111.

10 (3) A LICENSED DENTIST MAY PRESCRIBE ORDERS  
11 ELECTRONICALLY.

12 (4) A LICENSED DENTIST IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO PURCHASE  
13 OR UTILIZE AN ELECTRONIC HEALTH PRODUCT THAT INCLUDES  
14 INTEGRATION OF A TOOL THAT FACILITATES DENTISTS' COMPLIANCE WITH  
15 PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING STANDARDS REQUIRED BY SECTION  
16 12-30-114 (1)(a)(IV).

17 **SECTION 12.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-310, **amend**  
18 (1)(a), (1)(b) introductory portion, (1)(b)(IV), (2)(b), and (5); and **add**  
19 (2)(d)      as follows:

20 **12-220-310. Dentist peer health assistance program - fees -**  
21 **rules.** (1) (a) ~~Effective July 1, 2004, as a condition of renewal in this~~  
22 ~~state, every~~ AN APPLICANT FOR A DENTIST LICENSE OR A dentist applying  
23 to renew OR REINSTATE the dentist's license must, AT THE TIME OF  
24 APPLICATION, pay to the administering entity that has been selected by the  
25 board pursuant to subsection (1)(b) of this section ~~an amount~~ A FEE not to  
26 exceed fifty-nine dollars per year, which maximum amount may be  
27 adjusted on January 1, 2005, and annually thereafter by the board to

1 reflect changes in the United States department of ~~labor~~, LABOR'S bureau  
2 of labor statistics consumer price index, OR A SUCCESSOR INDEX, for  
3 Denver-Aurora-Lakewood for all urban consumers or goods. ~~or its~~  
4 ~~successor index~~. The fee shall be used to support designated providers  
5 that have been selected by the board to provide assistance to dentists  
6 needing help in dealing with physical, emotional, or psychological  
7 problems that may be detrimental to their ability to practice dentistry. The  
8 fee ~~shall~~ MUST not exceed one hundred dollars per year per licensee.

9 (b) The board shall select one or more peer health assistance  
10 programs as designated providers. THE BOARD OR THE DEPARTMENT MUST  
11 PROVIDE PUBLIC NOTICE WHEN A PEER HEALTH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IS  
12 BEING CONSIDERED FOR SELECTION AS A DESIGNATED PROVIDER AND  
13 SHALL PROVIDE A PROCESS FOR STAKEHOLDERS AND THE PUBLIC TO  
14 PROVIDE INPUT TO THE BOARD REGARDING THE SELECTION OF A  
15 DESIGNATED PROVIDER. To be eligible for designation by the board, a peer  
16 health assistance program must:

17 (IV) Monitor the status of a dentist who has been referred for  
18 treatment, INCLUDING PROVIDING TRAINING \_\_\_ TO DENTISTS PROVIDING  
19 PRACTICE MONITORING SERVICES;

20 (2) (b) Notwithstanding sections 12-220-201 and 24-4-104, the  
21 board may immediately suspend the license of ~~any~~ A dentist who is  
22 referred to a peer health assistance program by the board and who fails to  
23 attend or complete the program. If the dentist objects to the suspension,  
24 the dentist may submit a ~~written~~ request to the board, IN A FORMAT  
25 APPROVED BY THE BOARD, for a formal hearing on the suspension within  
26 ten days after receiving notice of the suspension, and the board shall grant  
27 the request. In the hearing, the dentist bears the burden of proving that the

1 dentist's license should not be suspended.

2 (d) A DENTIST MAY SELF-REFER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PEER  
3 HEALTH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OR MAY BE REFERRED BY THE BOARD. A  
4 DENTIST WHO SELF-REFERS TO THE PEER HEALTH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
5 MAY DO SO CONFIDENTIALLY AND WITHOUT DIRECT NOTIFICATION TO THE  
6 BOARD. SUCH SELF-REFERRAL TO THE PEER HEALTH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
7 SATISFIES BOARD NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN SECTION  
8 12-220-207 AND SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION; EXCEPT THAT THE PEER  
9 HEALTH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SHALL REPORT KNOWLEDGE OF A  
10 DENTIST'S VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE 220 OR RULES OF THE BOARD,  
11 EXCLUDING KNOWLEDGE OF VIOLATIONS OF SECTION 12-220-201 (1)(e) OR  
12 (1)(f).

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14 (5) The board ~~is authorized to promulgate~~ MAY ADOPT rules  
15 necessary to implement this section.

16 **SECTION 13.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-402, **amend**  
17 (1)(a) as follows:

18 **12-220-402. Dentist academic license.** (1) (a) A dentist who is  
19 employed at an accredited school or college of dentistry in this state and  
20 who practices dentistry in the course of the dentist's employment  
21 responsibilities must either ~~make written~~ FILE AN application to the board  
22 for an academic license in accordance with this section, IN A FORMAT  
23 APPROVED BY THE BOARD, or otherwise become licensed pursuant to  
24 sections 12-220-401 and 12-220-403, as applicable.

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26 **SECTION 14.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-405, **amend**  
27 (1)(a) introductory portion as follows:

1           **12-220-405. Application for dental hygienist license - fee.**

2           (1) Every person who desires to qualify for practice as a dental hygienist  
3           within this state must file with the board:

4           (a) ~~A written~~ AN application for a license, IN A FORMAT APPROVED  
5           BY THE BOARD, on which application the applicant shall list:

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7           **SECTION 15.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-407.2,  
8           **amend** (1)(a) introductory portion and (1)(b) as follows:

9           **12-220-407.2. Application for dental therapist license - fee -**  
10          **rules.** (1) Effective May 1, 2023, every person who desires to qualify for  
11          practice as a dental therapist within this state must file with the board:

12          (a) ~~A written~~ AN application for a license, IN A FORMAT APPROVED  
13          BY THE BOARD, on which ~~application~~ the applicant must list:

14          (b) Satisfactory proof that the applicant:

15               (I) Graduated from a school of dental therapy that, at the time of  
16          the applicant's graduation, was accredited; ~~by the American Dental~~  
17          ~~Association's commission on dental accreditation or its successor~~  
18          ~~organization;~~ or

19               (II) Graduated from a dental therapy education program developed  
20          prior to February 6, 2015, that, at the time of the applicant's graduation,  
21          was ~~accredited~~ RECOGNIZED by the Minnesota board of dentistry or  
22          certified by the Alaska community health aide program certification  
23          board.

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25          **SECTION 16.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-409, **add** (6)  
26          as follows:

27          **12-220-409. Inactive dental, dental therapist, or dental**

1     **hygienist license - rules.** (6) THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT RULES THAT  
2     ALLOW AN EXPEDITED, TEMPORARY LICENSURE DURING PUBLIC HEALTH  
3     EMERGENCIES AND ACUTE WORKFORCE SHORTAGES FOR A DENTIST,  
4     DENTAL HYGIENIST, OR DENTAL THERAPIST WHO HAS MAINTAINED A  
5     LICENSE IN GOOD STANDING WITH NO PAST DISCIPLINARY HISTORY PRIOR  
6     TO OBTAINING AN INACTIVE LICENSE. THE RULES MUST ADDRESS:

- 7             (a) SUPERVISION OR PRACTICE MONITORING REQUIREMENTS;  
8             (b) LIABILITY COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS;  
9             (c) OTHER CONDITIONS OF OR LIMITATION ON PRACTICE; AND  
10            (d) TEMPORARY LICENSE TERMS, ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVALS,  
11     TIMELINES, AND RENEWAL OPTIONS.

12            **SECTION 17.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-410, **add** (7)  
13     as follows:

14            **12-220-410. Retired dental, dental therapist, and dental**  
15     **hygienist licenses - rules.** (7) THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT RULES THAT  
16     ALLOW EXPEDITED, TEMPORARY LICENSURE DURING A DISASTER  
17     EMERGENCY DECLARED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-33.5-704 (4) FOR A  
18     DENTIST, DENTAL HYGIENIST, OR DENTAL THERAPIST WHO HAS  
19     MAINTAINED A LICENSE IN GOOD STANDING WITH NO PAST DISCIPLINARY  
20     HISTORY PRIOR TO OBTAINING AN INACTIVE LICENSE. THE RULES MUST  
21     ADDRESS:

- 22            (a) SUPERVISION OR PRACTICE MONITORING REQUIREMENTS;  
23            (b) LIABILITY COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS;  
24            (c) OTHER CONDITIONS OF OR LIMITATION ON PRACTICE; AND  
25            (d) TEMPORARY LICENSE TERMS, ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVALS,  
26     TIMELINES, AND RENEWAL OPTIONS.

27            **SECTION 18.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-411, **amend**

1     (1) and (5)(a) as follows:

2             **12-220-411. Anesthesia and sedation permits - dentists, dental**  
3     **therapists, and dental hygienists - training and experience**  
4     **requirements - office inspections - rules.** (1) (a) Upon application in a  
5     form and manner determined by the board and payment of the applicable  
6     fees established by the board, the board may issue an anesthesia or  
7     sedation permit to a licensed dentist or a local anesthesia permit to a  
8     dental therapist or dental hygienist in accordance with this section.

9             (b) THE BOARD SHALL DESIGN AND IMPLEMENT AN EXPEDITED  
10     APPLICATION AND PERMITTING PROCESS FOR A DENTIST WHO HAS  
11     COMPLETED AN ACCREDITED RESIDENCY PROGRAM IN GENERAL  
12     ANESTHESIA OR A POSTDOCTORAL TRAINING PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES  
13     COMPREHENSIVE AND APPROPRIATE TRAINING NECESSARY TO ADMINISTER  
14     AND MANAGE MODERATE SEDATION OR DEEP SEDATION AND GENERAL  
15     ANESTHESIA ACCORDING TO INDUSTRY-ACCEPTED STANDARDS.

16             (5) The board shall establish, by rule, criteria and procedures for  
17     an office inspection program to be completed upon application and  
18     renewal of anesthesia or sedation permits, which must include:

19             (a) Designation of qualified ANESTHESIA inspectors who ~~are~~  
20     ~~experts in dental outpatient deep sedation/general anesthesia and~~  
21     ~~moderate sedation;~~ HAVE MORE THAN FIVE YEARS OF EXPERIENCE  
22     PROVIDING ANESTHESIA SERVICES AND HOLD AN ACTIVE ANESTHESIA  
23     PERMIT TO PROVIDE EITHER DENTAL OUTPATIENT DEEP  
24     SEDATION/GENERAL ANESTHESIA OR MODERATE SEDATION. AN  
25     ANESTHESIA INSPECTOR WHO HOLDS AN ACTIVE ANESTHESIA PERMIT TO  
26     PROVIDE MODERATE SEDATION MAY ONLY PROVIDE OFFICE ANESTHESIA  
27     INSPECTIONS FOR PROVIDERS WHO REQUEST MODERATE SEDATION

PRIVILEGES FOR BOTH INITIAL AND RENEWAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS. AN ANESTHESIA INSPECTOR WHO HOLDS AN ACTIVE ANESTHESIA PERMIT TO PROVIDE DEEP SEDATION/GENERAL ANESTHESIA MAY PROVIDE OFFICE ANESTHESIA INSPECTIONS FOR ANY LEVEL OF SEDATION FOR BOTH INITIAL AND RENEWAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS. AN ANESTHESIA INSPECTOR SHALL COMPLETE AN ANESTHESIA INSPECTOR CALIBRATION PROGRAM CREATED AND UPDATED BY THE BOARD ONCE EVERY FIVE YEARS. THE ANESTHESIA INSPECTOR RECERTIFICATION MAY BE COMPLETED IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN ANESTHESIA PERMIT RENEWAL.

**SECTION 19.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-412, **amend** (1) as follows:

**12-220-412. Change of address - duplicate licenses and certificates.** (1) ~~Every~~ A person licensed under this article 220, upon changing the licensee's place of business OR CONTACT INFORMATION, shall furnish to the board the licensee's new mailing address AND EMAIL ADDRESS within thirty days after the change.

**SECTION 20.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-501, **amend** (1)(a), (3)(a)(VI), (3)(b) introductory portion, and (3)(b)(III); and **repeal** (2) as follows:

**12-220-501. Tasks authorized to be performed by dental therapists, dental hygienists, or dental assistants - rules.** (1) (a) ~~(f) Except as provided in subsection (1)(a)(H) of this section,~~ The responsibility for dental diagnosis, dental treatment planning, or the prescription of therapeutic measures in the practice of dentistry remains with a licensed dentist and may not be assigned to ~~any~~ A dental therapist, ~~or~~ dental hygienist, OR DENTAL ASSISTANT.

~~(H) A dental hygienist may:~~



1           ~~(A) Perform dental hygiene assessment, dental hygiene diagnosis,~~  
2           ~~and dental hygiene treatment planning for dental hygiene services~~  
3           ~~pursuant to section 12-220-503 (1)(f);~~

4           ~~(B) Identify dental abnormalities for immediate referral to a~~  
5           ~~dentist as described in section 12-220-503 (1)(f); and~~

6           ~~(C) In collaboration with a licensed dentist, prescribe, administer,~~  
7           ~~and dispense, as described in section 12-220-503 (1)(g): Fluoride,~~  
8           ~~fluoride varnish, silver diamine fluoride, antimicrobial solutions for~~  
9           ~~mouth rinsing, other nonsystemic antimicrobial agents, and resorbable~~  
10          ~~antimicrobial agents pursuant to rules of the board.~~

11          ~~(D) Repealed.~~

12          ~~(2) Except as provided in subsection (1) of this section, a dental~~  
13          ~~hygienist may perform any dental task or procedure assigned to the~~  
14          ~~hygienist by a licensed dentist that does not require the professional skill~~  
15          ~~of a licensed dentist; except that the dental hygienist may perform the task~~  
16          ~~or procedure only under the indirect supervision of a licensed dentist or~~  
17          ~~as authorized in sections 12-220-503 and 12-220-504.~~

18          (3) (a) A dental assistant shall not perform the following tasks:

19                 (VI) ~~Scaling (supra and sub-gingival); as it pertains to the practice~~  
20                 ~~of dental hygiene;~~

21                 (b) A dental assistant may perform the following tasks under the  
22                 indirect supervision of a licensed dentist OR THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF  
23                 A LICENSED DENTAL THERAPIST OR A LICENSED DENTAL HYGIENIST:

24                 (III) Gathering and assembling information, including but not  
25                 limited to fact-finding and patient history, oral inspection, and  
26                 RECORDING OF dental and periodontal charting AS DICTATED BY A  
27                 LICENSEE;

1           **SECTION 21.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 12-220-502  
2 as follows:

3           **12-220-502. Construction of dental devices by unlicensed**  
4 **technician.** (1) (a) A licensed dentist who uses the services of an  
5 unlicensed technician for the purpose of constructing, altering, repairing,  
6 or duplicating ~~any denture, bridge, splint, or orthodontic or prosthetic~~  
7 ~~appliance~~ A LABORATORY-FABRICATED INTRAORAL OR MAXILLOFACIAL  
8 DENTAL PROSTHESIS, PRODUCT, OR APPLIANCE shall furnish the unlicensed  
9 technician with a ~~written or electronic~~ DENTAL laboratory work order in  
10 a form ~~approved by~~ THAT COMPLIES WITH RULES OF the board, which form  
11 shall be dated and signed by the dentist for each separate and individual  
12 piece of work. The dentist shall make the DENTAL laboratory work order  
13 in a ~~reproducible~~ DOCUMENTED form, and the dentist and the unlicensed  
14 technician shall each retain a copy ~~in a permanent file for two years~~ AS A  
15 PERMANENT PART OF THE PATIENT RECORD. THE LABORATORY  
16 TECHNICIAN SHALL RETAIN A COPY OF THE DENTAL LABORATORY WORK  
17 ORDER IN A FILE FOR A MINIMUM OF TWO YEARS. The permanent files of  
18 the licensed dentist and the unlicensed technician must be open to  
19 inspection at any reasonable time by the board or its duly constituted  
20 agent. The licensed dentist that furnishes the DENTAL laboratory work  
21 order must have appropriate training, education, and experience related  
22 to the prescribed treatment and is responsible for directly supervising all  
23 intraoral treatment rendered to the patient.

24           (b) IF A PATIENT'S CARE REQUIRES THAT MULTIPLE  
25 LABORATORY-FABRICATED INTRAORAL OR MAXILLOFACIAL DENTAL  
26 PROSTHESES OR APPLIANCES BE FABRICATED AT THE SAME TIME, IT IS  
27 PERMISSIBLE TO INCORPORATE THOSE PRODUCTS OR APPLIANCES INTO A

1 SINGLE DENTAL LABORATORY WORK ORDER.

2 ~~(b)~~ (c) An unlicensed technician that possesses a valid DENTAL  
3 laboratory work order may provide extraoral construction, manufacture,  
4 fabrication, supply, or repair of identified dental and orthodontic devices  
5 but shall not provide intraoral service in a human mouth except under the  
6 direct supervision of a licensed dentist in accordance with section  
7 12-220-501 (3)(d).

8 (2) If the dentist fails to keep permanent records of DENTAL  
9 laboratory work orders as required in subsection (1)(a) of this section, the  
10 dentist is subject to disciplinary action as deemed appropriate by the  
11 board.

12 (3) If an unlicensed technician fails to have in the technician's  
13 possession a DENTAL laboratory work order signed by a licensed dentist  
14 with each denture, bridge, splint, or orthodontic or prosthetic appliance  
15 in the technician's possession, the absence of the DENTAL laboratory work  
16 order is prima facie evidence of a violation of this section and constitutes  
17 the practice of dentistry without an active license in violation of, and  
18 subject to the penalties specified in, section 12-220-211.

19 **SECTION 22.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-503, **amend**  
20 (1) introductory portion, (1)(d)(II), (1)(d)(IV), (1)(d)(V), (1)(f), (1)(g)(I),  
21 (1)(g)(III)(A), (1)(g)(III)(B), (1)(g)(III)(C), (1)(g)(IV) introductory  
22 portion, (2), and (4); **repeal** (1)(g)(II)(A); and **add** (1)(d)(VI), (1)(e.5),  
23 (1)(g)(V), and (1)(h) as follows:

24 **12-220-503. What constitutes practicing unsupervised dental**  
25 **hygiene - rules.** (1) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS  
26 SECTION, unless licensed to practice dentistry, ~~a person~~ AN INDIVIDUAL is  
27 deemed to be practicing unsupervised dental hygiene when the ~~person~~

1 INDIVIDUAL, within the scope of the ~~person's~~ INDIVIDUAL'S education,  
2 training, and experience:

3 (d) Gathers and assembles information, including but not limited  
4 to:

5 (II) ~~Preparation~~ PROVISION of study casts ~~for the purpose of~~  
6 ~~fabricating a permanent record of the patient's present condition; as a~~  
7 ~~visual aid for patient education, dental hygiene diagnosis, and dental~~  
8 ~~hygiene treatment planning; and to provide assistance during forensic~~  
9 ~~examination~~ OR DIGITAL SCANS;

10 (IV) Dental CHARTING and periodontal PROBING AND charting; ~~and~~

11 (V) Radiographic and X-ray survey for the purpose of assessing  
12 and diagnosing dental hygiene-related conditions for treatment planning  
13 for dental hygiene services as described in this section and identifying  
14 dental HARD AND SOFT TISSUE abnormalities for ~~immediate~~ referral to a  
15 dentist OR APPROPRIATE SPECIALIST; AND

16 (VI) ADDITIONAL SCREENING OR SCREENING TESTS FOR FURTHER  
17 INVESTIGATION OF ANY ORAL OR SYSTEMIC HEALTH-RELATED CONCERN  
18 PERTINENT TO THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE FOR DENTAL HYGIENE; AND

19 (e.5) ADMINISTERS LOCAL ANESTHESIA IN COMPLIANCE WITH  
20 SECTION 12-220-411 AND RULES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD, INCLUDING  
21 MINIMUM EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR LOCAL  
22 ANESTHESIA ADMINISTRATION;

23 (f) Performs dental hygiene assessment, dental hygiene diagnosis,  
24 and dental hygiene treatment planning FOR HARD AND SOFT TISSUE for  
25 dental hygiene services as described in this section and identifies dental  
26 abnormalities for ~~immediate~~ referral to a dentist OR APPROPRIATE  
27 SPECIALIST; or

1 (g) (I) Prescribes, administers, and dispenses fluoride, fluoride  
2 varnish, silver ~~diamine fluoride~~ FLUORIDES in accordance with subsection  
3 (1)(g)(IV) of this section, antimicrobial solutions for mouth rinsing, ~~other~~  
4 nonsystemic antimicrobial agents, and related emergency drugs and  
5 reversal agents. ~~in collaboration with a licensed dentist~~. The board, by  
6 rule, may further define the permissible and appropriate emergency drugs  
7 and reversal agents. ~~An articulated plan with a collaborating dentist for~~  
8 ~~dental hygiene prescribing must describe any protocols, restrictions or~~  
9 ~~limitations, follow-up and referral mechanisms, notification and~~  
10 ~~disclosure requirements, and any other requirements established by the~~  
11 ~~board by rule~~. Dental hygienists shall maintain clear documentation in the  
12 patient record of the drug or agent prescribed, administered, or dispensed;  
13 the date of the action; and the rationale for prescribing, administering, or  
14 dispensing the drug or agent.

15 (II) A dental hygienist shall not prescribe, administer, or dispense  
16 the following:

17 (A) ~~Drugs whose primary effect is systemic, with the exception of~~  
18 ~~fluoride supplements permitted under subsection (1)(g)(III)(A) of this~~  
19 ~~section; and~~

20 (III) A dental hygienist may prescribe the following:

21 (A) Fluoride supplements; ~~as follows, all using sodium fluoride:~~  
22 ~~Tablets: 0.5 mg, 1.1 mg, or 2.2 mg; lozenges: 2.21 mg; and drops: 1.1~~  
23 ~~mL;~~

24 (B) Topical anti-carries treatments, ~~as follows, all using sodium~~  
25 ~~fluoride unless otherwise indicated: Toothpastes: 1.1% or less (or~~  
26 ~~stannous fluoride 0.4%); topical gels: 1.1% or less (or stannous fluoride~~  
27 ~~0.4%); oral rinses: 0.05%, 0.2%, 0.44%, or 0.5%; oral rinse concentrate~~

1 ~~used in periodontal disease: 0.63% stannous fluoride; fluoride varnish:~~  
2 ~~5%; silver diamine fluoride: 38%; and prophy pastes containing~~  
3 ~~approximately 1.23% sodium fluoride and used for polishing procedures~~  
4 ~~as part of professional dental prophylaxis treatment~~ INCLUDING SODIUM  
5 FLUORIDE, STANNOUS FLUORIDE, SILVER DIAMINE FLUORIDE, OTHER  
6 SILVER FLUORIDES, HYDROXYAPATITE REGENERATION MEDICAMENTS  
7 USED FOR REPAIRING CAVITIES, AND ALTERNATIVES FOR STRENGTHENING  
8 TEETH AND PREVENTING AND ARRESTING TOOTH DECAY. THE BOARD MAY  
9 ADOPT RULES THAT IDENTIFY SAFE PRESCRIBING ALTERNATIVES TO SILVER  
10 DIAMINE FLUORIDE AS A TREATMENT FOR STRENGTHENING TEETH AND  
11 PREVENTING TOOTH DECAY.

12 (C) Topical anti-infectives, ~~as follows: Chlorhexidine gluconate~~  
13 ~~rinses: 0.12%; chlorhexidine gluconate periodontal chips for subgingival~~  
14 ~~insertion into a periodontal pocket/sulcus; tetracycline impregnated fibers,~~  
15 ~~inserted subgingivally into a periodontal pocket/sulcus; doxycycline~~  
16 ~~hyclate periodontal gel, inserted subgingivally into a periodontal~~  
17 ~~pocket/sulcus; and minocycline hydrochloride periodontal powder,~~  
18 ~~inserted subgingivally into a periodontal pocket/sulcus~~ INCLUDING  
19 CHLORHEXIDINE GLUCONATE RINSE, PERIODONTAL CHIPS, PERIODONTAL  
20 GELS, PERIODONTAL POWDERS, AND IMPREGNATED FIBERS FOR  
21 PERIODONTAL TREATMENT; and

22 (IV) A dental hygienist may prescribe and apply silver diamine  
23 fluoride AND OTHER SILVER FLUORIDES upon completion of a  
24 postsecondary course or continuing education course developed at the  
25 postsecondary level that satisfies the requirements established by the  
26 board and provides instructions on the use and limitations of applying  
27 silver diamine fluoride. A dental hygienist may complete the course

1 described in this subsection (1)(g)(IV) through:

2 (V) A DENTAL HYGIENIST MAY PRESCRIBE, DISPENSE, AND  
3 ADMINISTER NONNARCOTIC ANALGESICS, ANTI-INFLAMMATORIES, AND  
4 ANTIBIOTICS WITHIN THE PARAMETERS OF A WRITTEN ARTICULATED PLAN,  
5 WITH THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE SUPERVISING DENTIST, AND UPON  
6 COMPLETION OF A POSTSECONDARY COURSE OR CONTINUING EDUCATION  
7 COURSE DEVELOPED AT THE POSTSECONDARY LEVEL THAT SATISFIES THE  
8 REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD AND THAT PROVIDES  
9 INSTRUCTION ON THE USE AND LIMITATIONS OF NONNARCOTIC  
10 ANALGESICS, ANTI-INFLAMMATORIES, AND ANTIBIOTICS.

11 (h) DIRECTS DENTAL ASSISTANTS TO ASSIST IN ACTIVITIES THAT  
12 ARE WITHIN THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE FOR A DENTAL HYGIENIST UNDER  
13 DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A DENTAL HYGIENIST ONLY; EXCEPT THAT DENTAL  
14 ASSISTANTS SHALL NOT PERFORM ACTIVITIES DISALLOWED UNDER SECTION  
15 12-220-501 (3)(a).

16 (2) A dental hygienist shall state in writing and require a patient  
17 to acknowledge by signature that any diagnosis or assessment is for the  
18 purpose of determining necessary dental hygiene services only. ~~and that~~  
19 ~~it is recommended by the American Dental Association, or any successor~~  
20 ~~organizations, that a thorough dental examination be performed by a~~  
21 ~~dentist twice each year.~~

22 (4) (a) Notwithstanding section 12-220-104 (13) or 12-220-305  
23 (1)(b), AND CONSISTENT WITH SECTION 12-220-303, a dental hygienist  
24 may be the proprietor of a place where supervised or unsupervised dental  
25 hygiene is performed and may purchase, own, or lease equipment,  
26 DENTAL MATERIALS, AND SUPPLIES necessary to perform supervised or  
27 unsupervised dental hygiene.

1 (b) A dental hygienist proprietor, or a professional corporation,  
2 LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP, or professional limited liability  
3 corporation of dental hygienists, in addition to providing dental hygiene  
4 services, may enter into an agreement with one or more dentists for the  
5 lease or rental of equipment or office space in the same physical location  
6 as the dental hygiene practice, but only if the determination of necessary  
7 dental services provided by the dentist and professional responsibility for  
8 those services, including but not limited to dental records, appropriate  
9 medication, and patient payment, remain with the treating dentist. It is the  
10 responsibility of the dental hygienist to inform the patient as to whether  
11 there is a supervisory relationship between the dentist and the dental  
12 hygienist. An agreement under this subsection (4)(b) does not constitute  
13 employment and does not constitute cause for discipline pursuant to  
14 section 12-220-201 (1)(h).

15 **SECTION 23.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 12-220-504,  
16 as follows:

17 **12-220-504. What constitutes practicing supervised dental**  
18 **hygiene - rules.** (1) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 12-220-501 (3), unless  
19 licensed to practice dentistry, a person who performs any of the following  
20 tasks under the supervision of a licensed dentist is deemed to be  
21 practicing supervised dental hygiene:

22 (a) Performing a task described in section 12-220-503 (1);

23 ~~(b) Preparing study casts;~~

24 ~~(c) Administering local anesthesia under the indirect supervision~~  
25 ~~of a licensed dentist pursuant to rules of the board, including minimum~~  
26 ~~education requirements and procedures for local anesthesia~~  
27 ~~administration; or~~



1           ~~(d) Placing interim therapeutic restorations pursuant to section~~  
2   ~~12-220-505.~~

3           ~~(e) Repealed.~~

4           (b) ADMINISTERING AND MONITORING INHALATION ANESTHESIA  
5   UNDER THE INDIRECT SUPERVISION OF A DENTIST CONSISTENT WITH  
6   SECTION 12-220-305 (1)(q) AND PURSUANT TO THE RULES OF THE BOARD  
7   REGARDING TRAINING AND MINIMUM EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS;

8           (c) UTILIZING A LASER FOR DENTAL HYGIENE PURPOSES WITHIN  
9   DEFINED SCOPES OF PRACTICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES OF THE BOARD;

10          (d) (I) PURSUANT TO RULES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD,  
11   ADMINISTERING IMMUNIZATIONS, UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A  
12   LICENSED DENTIST OR THE DELEGATION OF A LICENSED PROFESSIONAL  
13   WHO IS AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER IMMUNIZATIONS AND DELEGATE  
14   TASKS UNDER THIS TITLE 12, TO PATIENTS SIX YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.  
15   THE BOARD MAY ADOPT RULES SPECIFYING THE MINIMUM TRAINING  
16   REQUIREMENTS FOR DENTIST HYGIENISTS TO ADMINISTER IMMUNIZATIONS.

17          (II) A DENTIST HYGIENIST WHO ADMINISTERS IMMUNIZATIONS  
18   SHALL:

19          (A) NOT PROVIDE MEDICAL OR NONMEDICAL EXEMPTIONS FOR ANY  
20   REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS;

21          (B) ENTER ALL IMMUNIZATION-RELATED ADMINISTRATION  
22   INFORMATION INTO THE COLORADO IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION SYSTEM  
23   CREATED PURSUANT TO PART 24 OF ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE 25;

24          (C) DISCLOSE THEIR MEDICAL TRAINING RELATED TO PEDIATRIC  
25   ADMINISTRATION, INCLUDING THE ABILITY TO MANAGE SIDE EFFECTS OR  
26   ADVERSE OUTCOMES, TO PATIENTS AS PART OF THE PATIENT CONSENT  
27   PROCESS;

1           (D) ADMINISTER ONLY RESPIRATORY AND ORAL HEALTH,  
2           INCLUDING HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS, IMMUNIZATIONS; AND

3           (E) DISTRIBUTE IMMUNIZATION EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS AND  
4           RECOMMENDATIONS DEVELOPED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
5           AND ENVIRONMENT TO THEIR PATIENTS.

6           (e) ADMINISTERING NEUROMODULATORS AND DERMAL FILLERS  
7           FOR THERAPEUTIC AND COSMETIC PURPOSES UNDER THE DIRECT  
8           SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, OR THE DELEGATION OF A LICENSED  
9           PHYSICIAN OR OTHER DELEGATED PROFESSIONAL, PURSUANT TO RULES  
10          ADOPTED BY THE BOARD. THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT RULES REGARDING  
11          THE APPROPRIATE EDUCATION AND TRAINING, AS APPLICABLE.

12                         ==  
13           (f) PLACING INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS PURSUANT TO  
14           SECTION 12-220-505.

15           (2) A DENTAL HYGIENIST MAY PERFORM ANY DENTAL TASK OR  
16           PROCEDURE ASSIGNED TO THE DENTAL HYGIENIST BY A LICENSED DENTIST  
17           THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE THE PROFESSIONAL SKILL OF A LICENSED  
18           DENTIST; EXCEPT THAT THE DENTAL HYGIENIST MAY PERFORM THE TASK  
19           OR PROCEDURE ONLY UNDER THE INDIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED  
20           DENTIST OR AS AUTHORIZED IN SECTIONS 12-220-503 AND 12-220-504.

21           **SECTION 24.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-505, **amend**  
22           (1)(b), (1)(d), and (6)(a); and **add** (6)(c) as follows:

23           **12-220-505. Interim therapeutic restorations by dental**  
24           **hygienists - permitting process - rules - subject to review.** (1) Upon  
25           application, accompanied by a fee in an amount determined by the  
26           director, the board shall grant a permit to place interim therapeutic  
27           restorations to any dental hygienist applicant who:

1 (b) Has completed a course developed at the postsecondary  
2 educational level that complies with the rules adopted by the board. The  
3 course must be offered under the direct supervision of a member of the  
4 faculty of a AN ACCREDITED Colorado dental or dental hygiene school.  
5 ~~accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation or its successor~~  
6 ~~agency.~~ All faculty responsible for clinical evaluation of students must be  
7 dentists with a faculty appointment at an accredited Colorado dental or  
8 dental hygiene school.

9 (d) Furnishes, supplies, constructs, reproduces, or repairs any  
10 prosthetic denture, bridge, appliance, or other structure to be worn in the  
11 human mouth or upon the jaws, maxillofacial area, or adjacent and  
12 associated structures other than on the written DENTAL laboratory work  
13 order of a duly licensed and practicing dentist;

14 (6) (a) A dentist shall not supervise more than five full-time  
15 equivalent dental hygienists who place interim therapeutic restorations  
16 under telehealth supervision unless granted a waiver by the board  
17 pursuant to subsection (6)(b) of this section. ~~For purposes of patient~~  
18 ~~referral for follow-up care,~~ A dentist who supervises a dental hygienist  
19 who provides interim therapeutic restorations under telehealth supervision  
20 must have an active license in good standing issued by the board. ~~and a~~  
21 ~~physical practice location in Colorado or within reasonable proximity of~~  
22 ~~the location where the interim therapeutic restoration is placed~~ BEFORE  
23 PROVIDING INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS, A DENTAL HYGIENIST  
24 SHALL CONFIRM IN COMMUNICATION TO THE SUPERVISING DENTIST A  
25 REFERRAL FOR FOLLOW-UP CARE TO A LICENSED DENTIST WITHIN  
26 REASONABLE PHYSICAL PROXIMITY TO THE LOCATION WHERE THE INTERIM  
27 THERAPEUTIC RESTORATION IS PLACED.

1 (c) A DENTIST SHALL NOT SUPERVISE, IN AGGREGATE, MORE THAN  
2 FIVE FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT DENTAL HYGIENISTS OR DENTAL THERAPISTS  
3 PERFORMING PROCEDURES PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (6)(a) OF THIS  
4 SECTION AND SECTION 12-220-508, AND LIMITS ON SUPERVISION OF  
5 DENTAL THERAPISTS MUST REMAIN CONSISTENT WITH SECTION 12-220-508  
6 (3).

7 **SECTION 25.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-508, **amend**  
8 (1)(a) introductory portion, (1)(a)(VIII), (2)(a)(VI), and (3)(a); and **add**  
9 (1)(c)(IX) and (3)(d) as follows:

10 **12-220-508. Practice of dental therapy - supervision**  
11 **requirement - rules.** (1) (a) A dental therapist may perform the  
12 following tasks and procedures under the direct supervision of a ~~licensed~~  
13 dentist WITH AN ACTIVE LICENSE IN GOOD STANDING:

14 (VIII) Repair defective prosthetic devices.

15 (c) A dental therapist licensed pursuant to this article 220 may  
16 perform the following tasks under the indirect supervision of a licensed  
17 dentist, regardless of the number of hours the dental therapist has  
18 practiced:

19 (IX) DIRECTING DENTAL ASSISTANTS TO ASSIST IN ACTIVITIES  
20 THAT ARE WITHIN THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE FOR A DENTAL THERAPIST  
21 UNDER DIRECT AND INDIRECT SUPERVISION OF THE DENTAL THERAPIST  
22 ONLY; EXCEPT THAT DENTAL ASSISTANTS SHALL NOT PERFORM ACTIVITIES  
23 DISALLOWED UNDER SECTION 12-220-501 (3)(a).

24 (2) (a) An articulated plan between a dental therapist and a dentist  
25 must include:

26 (VI) CONSISTENT WITH DENTAL ASSISTANTS' SCOPE OF PRACTICE,  
27 policies for supervising dental assistants and working with dental

1     hygienists and other dental practitioners and staff.

2             (3) (a) Except as provided in subsection (3)(b), ~~or~~ (3)(c), OR (3)(d)  
3     of this section, a dentist may not simultaneously supervise more than  
4     three full-time or full-time-equivalent dental therapists.

5             (d) A DENTIST SHALL NOT SUPERVISE IN AGGREGATE MORE THAN  
6     FIVE FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT DENTAL HYGIENISTS OR DENTAL THERAPISTS  
7     PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION AND SECTION 12-220-505 (6)(a), AND LIMITS  
8     ON SUPERVISION OF DENTAL THERAPISTS MUST REMAIN CONSISTENT WITH  
9     THIS SUBSECTION (3).

10            **SECTION 26.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-34-104, **repeal**  
11     (26)(a)(I); and **add** (35)(a)(VI) as follows:

12            **24-34-104. General assembly review of regulatory agencies**  
13     **and functions for repeal, continuation, or reestablishment - legislative**  
14     **declaration - repeal.** (26) (a) The following agencies, functions, or both,  
15     are scheduled for repeal on September 1, 2025:

16            (I) ~~The Colorado dental board created in article 220 of title 12;~~

17            (35) (a) The following agencies, functions, or both, are scheduled  
18     for repeal on September 1, 2034:

19            (VI) THE COLORADO DENTAL BOARD CREATED IN ARTICLE 220 OF  
20     TITLE 12.

21            **SECTION 27. Repeal of relocated provisions.** In Colorado  
22     Revised Statutes, **repeal** 12-220-104 (11).

23            **SECTION 28. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
24     takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
25     ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except  
26     that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V  
27     of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this

1     act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take  
2     effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
3     November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
4     official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.