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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

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

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**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.  
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.  
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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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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-104, **amend**  
 3 (1), (4), (9)(a), and (10)(a); **add** (5.2), (10.5), and (14.5); and **add with**  
 4 **amended and relocated provisions** (5.3) as follows:

5 **12-220-104. Definitions - rules.** As used in this article 220, unless  
 6 the context otherwise requires:

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

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

19 (5.2) "DENTAL HYGIENE LABORATORY WORK ORDER" MEANS THE  
 20 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) A DENTIST WHO PROVIDES INDIRECT SUPERVISION MUST HAVE  
15    AN ACTIVE LICENSE IN GOOD STANDING IN THIS STATE OR IN A  
16    CONTIGUOUS STATE.

17            (10) (a) "Interim therapeutic restoration" or "ITR" means a direct  
18    provisional restoration placed to stabilize a tooth until a licensed dentist  
19    ORDENTAL THERAPIST can assess the need for further definitive treatment.

20            (10.5) "ITINERANT SURGERY" MEANS THE ELECTIVE ORAL AND  
21    MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY PERFORMED IN NONACCREDITED SURGICAL OR  
22    TREATMENT FACILITIES OTHER THAN THE FACILITY OR FACILITIES OWNED  
23    OR LEASED BY THE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE EMPLOYING THE  
24    PRACTITIONER OR SPECIALTY-LEVEL SURGICAL CARE PERFORMED BY A  
25    PRACTITIONER WHO IS NOT A GRADUATE OF AN ACCREDITED SURGICAL  
26    SPECIALTY TRAINING PROGRAM IN A TREATMENT FACILITY.

27            (14.5) (a) "TELEDENTISTRY" MEANS TELEHEALTH METHODOLOGIES

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

12 (b) AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION (14.5), "TELEHEALTH" MEANS A  
13 BROAD VARIETY OF TECHNOLOGIES AND TACTICS TO DELIVER VIRTUAL  
14 MEDICAL, HEALTH, AND EDUCATION SERVICES. "TELEHEALTH" IS NOT A  
15 SPECIFIC SERVICE BUT A COLLECTION OF MEANS TO ENHANCE CARE AND  
16 EDUCATION DELIVERY.

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 dental therapist members, two  
23 MEMBER, THREE dental hygienist members, and two members from the  
24 public at large; EXCEPT THAT THE DENTAL THERAPIST SEAT SHALL REMAIN  
25 OPEN AND A DENTAL THERAPIST MEMBER SHALL NOT BE APPOINTED UNTIL  
26 THERE ARE AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED DENTAL THERAPISTS ACTIVELY  
27 ENGAGED IN CLINICAL PRACTICE IN THIS STATE. The governor shall

1 appoint each member for a term of four years, and each member must  
2 have the qualifications provided in this article 220. A member shall not  
3 serve more than two consecutive terms of four years. Each board member  
4 holds office until the member's term expires or until the governor  
5 appoints a successor.

6 (5) ~~(a)~~ THIS ARTICLE 220 IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1,  
7 2034. Before the repeal, ~~of this article 220 pursuant to subsection (5)(b)~~  
8 ~~of this section~~, all functions of the board are scheduled for review in  
9 accordance with section 24-34-104.

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

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

13 **12-220-106. Powers and duties of board - rules - limitation on**  
14 **authority.** (1) The board shall exercise, in accordance with this article  
15 220, the following powers and duties:

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

18 (VI) REQUIREMENTS FOR JURISPRUDENCE EDUCATION PRIOR TO  
19 INITIAL LICENSURE;

20 (2) The board may recognize those dental specialties defined by  
21 the ~~American Dental Association~~ NATIONAL COMMISSION ON  
22 RECOGNITION OF DENTAL SPECIALTIES AND CERTIFYING BOARDS OR THE  
23 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

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

26 **12-220-108. Attorney general shall represent board and**  
27 **members.** (1) The attorney general of the state of Colorado shall counsel

1 with and advise the board \_\_\_ in connection with ~~its~~ THE BOARD'S duties  
2 and responsibilities ~~under~~ DESCRIBED IN this article 220. If litigation is  
3 brought against the board or any of its individual members \_\_\_\_\_ in  
4 connection with actions taken by the board or any of its members under  
5 this article 220 and the actions are free of malice, fraud, or willful neglect  
6 of duty, the attorney general shall defend the litigation without cost to the  
7 board or to any individual member of the board.

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

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

15 **12-220-201. Grounds for disciplinary action - definition.**

16 (1) The board may take disciplinary action against an applicant or  
17 licensee in accordance with sections 12-20-4.04 and 12-220-202 for any  
18 of the following causes:

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

23 (s) Failing to furnish unlicensed persons with DENTAL laboratory  
24 work orders pursuant to section 12-220-502;

25 (ii) Advertising or otherwise holding oneself out to the public as  
26 practicing a dental specialty in which the dentist has not successfully  
27 completed the education specified for the dental specialty as defined by

1 the ~~American Dental Association~~ NATIONAL COMMISSION ON  
2 RECOGNITION OF DENTAL SPECIALTIES AND CERTIFYING BOARDS OR THE  
3 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION;

4 (oo) Failing to comply with ~~sections 12-220-501 (1)(a)(H)(C) and~~  
5 ~~12-220-503 (1)(g)~~ SECTION 12-220-503 (1)(g) and rules adopted pursuant  
6 to ~~those sections~~ THAT SECTION regarding the application of silver  
7 diamine fluoride; ~~or~~

8 (qq) PRACTICING OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF AN ARTICULATED PLAN  
9 DEVELOPED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 12-220-503 (1)(g)(V) OR  
10 12-220-508 (1)(b), (1)(c)(VII), OR (2);

11 (rr) PURCHASING OR USING AN ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD  
12 PRODUCT THAT DOES NOT INCLUDE INTEGRATION OF A TOOL THAT  
13 FACILITATES DENTISTS' COMPLIANCE WITH PRESCRIPTION DRUG  
14 MONITORING STANDARDS AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 12-30-114 (1)(a)(VI);  
15 OR

16 (ss) THE FAILURE OF A PROVIDER PERFORMING ITINERANT ORAL  
17 SURGERY TO PROVIDE REQUIRED FOLLOW-UP CARE, INCLUDING THE  
18 FAILURE TO PROVIDE A CARE PLAN OUTLINING FOLLOW-UP CARE IN A  
19 FACILITY OR TO BE PERFORMED BY A DIFFERENT PROVIDER WITHIN A  
20 REASONABLE DISTANCE FROM THE OFFICE WHERE THE PROCEDURE WILL BE  
21 PERFORMED IF THE ORIGINAL TREATING PROVIDER IS UNAVAILABLE TO  
22 PROVIDE THE FOLLOW-UP CARE. REFERRAL TO AN URGENT CARE CENTER  
23 OR HOSPITAL EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT DOES NOT FULFILL THE  
24 REQUIREMENT FOR FOLLOW-UP CARE AND WOULD BE IN VIOLATION OF THIS  
25 POLICY.

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 SUBMISSION TO A MENTAL OR PHYSICAL EXAMINATION BY THE  
3 QUALIFIED PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATED BY THE BOARD SATISFIES ANY  
4 REQUIREMENT TO NOTIFY THE BOARD OF A PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH  
5 CONDITION THAT MAY IMPACT THE LICENSEE'S ABILITY TO PRACTICE WITH  
6 REASONABLE SKILL AND SAFETY PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-30-108 (1),  
7 12-220-201 (1)(j)(I), OR 12-220-310 (3).

8           (5) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS DESCRIBED IN SECTION  
9 12-30-108 (1), 12-220-201 (1)(j)(I), OR 12-220-310 (3) BEGIN UPON  
10 DISCHARGE OF A LICENSEE ENROLLED IN INPATIENT TREATMENT FOR A  
11 SERIOUS MENTAL HEALTH OR PHYSICAL CONDITION.

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

14           **12-220-302. Persons exempt from operation of this article.**

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

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

21           (f) The practice of dentistry, dental therapy, or dental hygiene by  
22 dentists, dental therapists, or dental hygienists licensed in good standing  
23 by other states or countries while appearing in ACCREDITED OR  
24 BOARD-APPROVED programs of dental education or research, at the  
25 invitation of any group of licensed dentists, dental therapists, or dental  
26 hygienists in this state who are in good standing, so long as the practice  
27 is limited to five consecutive days in a twelve-month period and the name

1 of each person engaging in the practice is submitted to the board, in  
2 ~~writing and on a form~~ A FORMAT approved by the board, at least ten days  
3 before the person performs the practice;

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

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

20 (k) THE PRACTICE OF DENTAL THERAPY BY DENTAL THERAPISTS  
21 LICENSED IN GOOD STANDING BY OTHER STATES WHILE PROVIDING CARE  
22 AS A VOLUNTEER, AT THE INVITATION OF ANY GROUP OF LICENSED  
23 DENTISTS, DENTAL THERAPISTS, OR DENTAL HYGIENISTS IN THIS STATE  
24 WHO ARE IN GOOD STANDING, SO LONG AS THE PRACTICE IS LIMITED TO  
25 FIVE CONSECUTIVE DAYS IN A TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD AND THE NAME OF  
26 EACH PERSON ENGAGING IN THE PRACTICE IS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD,  
27 IN A FORMAT APPROVED BY THE BOARD, AT LEAST TEN DAYS BEFORE THE

1 PERSON PERFORMS THE PRACTICE, AND THE DENTAL THERAPISTS TREAT  
2 PATIENTS ONLY UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST IN  
3 COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 12-220-508; OR

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

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

16 **12-220-303. Ownership of dental or dental hygiene practice -**  
17 **information to be posted - heir to serve as temporary proprietor -**  
18 **limitations - definitions.** (2) (a) The name, license number, ownership  
19 percentage, and other information, as required by the board, of each  
20 proprietor of a dental or dental hygiene practice, including an unlicensed  
21 heir who is the temporary proprietor of the practice, as specified in  
22 subsection (3) of this section, must be IMMEDIATELY AND PUBLICLY  
23 available at the ~~reception desk of the~~ dental or dental hygiene practice  
24 during the practice's hours of operation. The information required by this  
25 subsection (2)(a) must be available in a format approved by the board.

26 (3) (d) The temporary proprietorship of a dental or dental hygiene  
27 practice by an unlicensed heir ~~does~~ MUST not affect the exercise of the

1 independent professional judgment of the licensed dentist or dental  
2 hygienist providing care to patients on behalf of the practice.

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

5 **12-220-304. Names and status under which dental practice**  
6 **may be conducted.** (3) The practice of dentistry, dental therapy, or  
7 dental hygiene by a PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CORPORATION, limited  
8 liability company of licensees, or ~~by a~~ limited liability partnership of  
9 licensees is permitted subject to the limitations and requirements, insofar  
10 as are applicable, set forth in section 12-240-138 relating to a  
11 PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CORPORATION, limited liability company, or  
12 limited liability partnership for the practice of medicine.

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

16 **12-220-305. What constitutes practicing dentistry - rules.**

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

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

23 (b) Is a proprietor of a place where dental operation, oral surgery,  
24 or dental diagnostic or therapeutic services are performed; ~~except that~~  
25 ~~nothing in this subsection (1)(b) prohibits a dental therapist, dental~~  
26 ~~hygienist, or dental assistant from performing those tasks and procedures~~  
27 ~~consistent with section 12-220-501;~~

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

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

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

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

22 (l) Prescribes ionizing radiation or the use of an X ray for the  
23 purpose of taking dental X rays; ~~or roentgenograms; except that nothing~~  
24 ~~in this subsection (1)(l) prohibits these procedures from being delegated~~  
25 ~~to appropriately trained personnel in accordance with this article 220 and~~  
26 ~~rules of the board;~~

27 (m) Gives or professes to give interpretations or readings of dental

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

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

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

19 (I) ~~A dental hygienist from performing those tasks and procedures~~  
20 ~~consistent with sections 12-220-501, 12-220-503 (1)(c) and (1)(g), and~~  
21 ~~12-220-504 (1)(c), and in accordance with rules promulgated by the~~  
22 ~~board; or~~

23 (II) ~~A dental therapist from performing those tasks and procedures~~  
24 ~~consistent with sections 12-220-501 (2.5) and 12-220-508 and in~~  
25 ~~accordance with rules promulgated by the board.~~

26 (q) Prescribes, induces, and sets dosage levels for inhalation  
27 anesthesia; ~~except that nothing in this subsection (1)(q) prohibits the~~

1 delegation of monitoring and administration to DENTAL HYGIENISTS AND  
2 appropriately trained UNLICENSED personnel in accordance with this  
3 article 220 and rules of the board, INCLUDING REQUIRING TRAINING;

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

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

15 (t) (I) PURSUANT TO RULES ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD OF  
16 HEALTH CREATED IN SECTION 25-1-103 AND PROVIDED TO THE COLORADO  
17 DENTAL BOARD, ORDERS AND ADMINISTERS IMMUNIZATIONS TO PATIENTS  
18 SIX YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER. THE COLORADO DENTAL BOARD SHALL  
19 ADOPT RULES REGARDING DELEGATION OF IMMUNIZATION  
20 ADMINISTRATION BY A LICENSED DENTIST TO A DENTAL THERAPIST OR  
21 DENTAL HYGIENIST.

22 (II) DENTISTS AND DENTAL HYGIENISTS:

23 (A) ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE MEDICAL EXEMPTIONS FOR  
24 ANY REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS;

25 (B) SHALL ENTER ALL IMMUNIZATION-RELATED ADMINISTRATION  
26 INFORMATION INTO THE COLORADO IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION SYSTEM  
27 CREATED PURSUANT TO PART 24 OF ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE 25; AND

1           (C) WHO ADMINISTER IMMUNIZATIONS SHALL DISCLOSE THEIR  
2           MEDICAL TRAINING RELATED TO PEDIATRIC ADMINISTRATION, INCLUDING  
3           THE ABILITY TO MANAGE SIDE EFFECTS OR ADVERSE OUTCOMES, TO  
4           PATIENTS AS PART OF THE PATIENT CONSENT PROCESS.

5           (u) ORDERS AND ADMINISTERS NEUROMODULATORS AND DERMAL  
6           FILLERS TO DENTAL PATIENTS OF RECORD FOR THERAPEUTIC AND  
7           COSMETIC PURPOSES PURSUANT TO RULES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD  
8           REGARDING REQUIRED TRAINING, ONGOING COMPETENCY, RECORD  
9           KEEPING, AND DELEGATION TO DENTAL HYGIENISTS.

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

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

15           (b) A DENTAL HYGIENIST FROM PERFORMING TASKS AND  
16           PROCEDURES CONSISTENT WITH SECTIONS 12-220-501, 12-220-503, AND  
17           12-220-504 AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD;  
18           OR

19           (c) A DENTAL THERAPIST FROM PERFORMING TASKS AND  
20           PROCEDURES CONSISTENT WITH SECTIONS 12-220-501 AND 12-220-508  
21           AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD.

22           (3) A PROVIDER PERFORMING ITINERANT SURGERY SHALL DEVELOP  
23           AND MAINTAIN A WRITTEN PROTOCOL FOR EMERGENCY FOLLOW-UP CARE  
24           WITH APPROPRIATELY TRAINED PRACTITIONERS FOR ALL PATIENTS  
25           TREATED. THE PLAN SHALL BE PROVIDED TO EACH PATIENT UNDERGOING  
26           TREATMENT AND MUST BE AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY AT THE REQUEST OF  
27           THE BOARD. THE WRITTEN PROTOCOL MUST INCLUDE A PROVISION THAT

1 REQUIRES THE PROVIDER TO INCLUDE IN A PLAN OF CARE FOLLOW-UP  
2 TREATMENT IN A PERMANENTLY ESTABLISHED TREATMENT FACILITY  
3 WITHIN A REASONABLE PROXIMITY OF THE LOCATION WHERE ITINERANT  
4 SURGICAL TREATMENT WAS PERFORMED. THIS FOLLOW-UP TREATMENT  
5 SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE ITINERANT SURGICAL TREATMENT OPERATOR  
6 OR AN APPROPRIATELY TRAINED PRACTITIONER WHO HAS AGREED IN  
7 WRITING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EMERGENCY FOLLOW-UP CARE PLAN FOR  
8 THE ITINERANT SURGICAL TREATMENT OPERATOR. THE APPROPRIATELY  
9 TRAINED PRACTITIONER MUST BE AVAILABLE WHEN THE ITINERANT  
10 SURGICAL OPERATOR IS NOT AVAILABLE.

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

13 **12-220-306. Dentists may prescribe drugs - surgical operations**  
14 **- anesthesia - limits on prescriptions - rules.** (1) (a) A licensed dentist  
15 is authorized to:

16 (III) Administer, pursuant to A PERMIT REQUIRED BY SECTION  
17 12-220-411 AND PURSUANT TO board rules, local anesthesia, analgesia  
18 including nitrous oxide/oxygen inhalation, medication prescribed or  
19 administered for the relief of anxiety or apprehension, minimal sedation,  
20 moderate sedation, deep sedation, or general anesthesia; and

21 (b) A dentist shall not prescribe, distribute, or give to any person,  
22 including ~~the dentist~~ THEMSELF, any habit-forming drug or any controlled  
23 substance, as defined in section 18-18-102 (5) or as contained in schedule  
24 II of 21 U.S.C. sec. 812, other than in the course of legitimate dental  
25 practice and pursuant to the rules ~~promulgated~~ ADOPTED by the board  
26 regarding controlled substance record keeping AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH  
27 THE ELECTRONIC PRESCRIBING OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES AS REQUIRED

1 BY SECTION 12-30-111.

2 (3) A LICENSED DENTIST MAY PRESCRIBE ORDERS  
3 ELECTRONICALLY.

4 **SECTION 12.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-310, **amend**  
5 (1)(a), (1)(b)(IV), (2)(b), and (5); and **add** (2)(d) and (4.5) as follows:

6 **12-220-310. Dentist peer health assistance program - fees -**  
7 **rules.** (1) (a) ~~Effective July 1, 2004, as a condition of renewal in this~~  
8 ~~state, every~~ AN APPLICANT FOR A DENTIST LICENSE OR A dentist applying  
9 to renew OR REINSTATE the dentist's license must, AT THE TIME OF  
10 APPLICATION, pay to the administering entity that has been selected by the  
11 board pursuant to subsection (1)(b) of this section ~~an amount~~ A FEE not to  
12 exceed fifty-nine dollars per year, which maximum amount may be  
13 adjusted on January 1, 2005, and annually thereafter by the board to  
14 reflect changes in the United States department of ~~labor,~~ LABOR'S bureau  
15 of labor statistics consumer price index, OR A SUCCESSOR INDEX, for  
16 Denver-Aurora-Lakewood for all urban consumers or goods. ~~or its~~  
17 ~~successor index.~~ The fee shall be used to support designated providers  
18 that have been selected by the board to provide assistance to dentists  
19 needing help in dealing with physical, emotional, or psychological  
20 problems that may be detrimental to their ability to practice dentistry. The  
21 fee ~~shall~~ MUST not exceed one hundred dollars per year per licensee.

22 (b) The board shall select one or more peer health assistance  
23 programs as designated providers. To be eligible for designation by the  
24 board, a peer health assistance program must:

25 (IV) Monitor the status of a dentist who has been referred for  
26 treatment, INCLUDING PROVIDING TRAINING AND CALIBRATION TO  
27 DENTISTS PROVIDING PRACTICE MONITORING SERVICES;

1           (2) (b) Notwithstanding sections 12-220-201 and 24-4-104, the  
2 board may immediately suspend the license of ~~any~~ A dentist who is  
3 referred to a peer health assistance program by the board and who fails to  
4 attend or complete the program. If the dentist objects to the suspension,  
5 the dentist may submit a ~~written~~ request to the board, IN A FORMAT  
6 APPROVED BY THE BOARD, for a formal hearing on the suspension within  
7 ten days after receiving notice of the suspension, and the board shall grant  
8 the request. In the hearing, the dentist bears the burden of proving that the  
9 dentist's license should not be suspended.

10           (d) A DENTIST MAY SELF-REFER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PEER  
11 HEALTH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OR MAY BE REFERRED BY THE BOARD. A  
12 DENTIST WHO SELF-REFERS TO THE PEER HEALTH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
13 MAY DO SO CONFIDENTIALLY AND WITHOUT DIRECT NOTIFICATION TO THE  
14 BOARD. SUCH SELF-REFERRAL TO THE PEER HEALTH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
15 SATISFIES BOARD NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN SECTION  
16 12-220-207 AND SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION; EXCEPT THAT THE PEER  
17 HEALTH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SHALL REPORT KNOWLEDGE OF A  
18 DENTIST'S VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE 220 OR RULES OF THE BOARD,  
19 EXCLUDING OMISSIONS SOLELY RELATED TO VIOLATIONS OF SECTION  
20 12-220-201 (1)(e) OR (1)(f).

21           (4.5) BEFORE THE RENEWAL OF A PEER ASSISTANCE VENDOR  
22 CONTRACT, THE BOARD SHALL CONDUCT A REVIEW OF THE SERVICES  
23 PROVIDED UNDER THE CONTRACT AND NEEDS AMONG THE LICENSEE  
24 COMMUNITY, WHICH MUST INCLUDE A PROCESS TO RECEIVE INPUT FROM  
25 STAKEHOLDERS AND THE PUBLIC.

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

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

3           **12-220-402. Dentist academic license.** (1) (a) A dentist who is  
4       employed at an accredited school or college of dentistry in this state and  
5       who practices dentistry in the course of the dentist's employment  
6       responsibilities must either ~~make written~~ FILE AN application to the board  
7       for an academic license in accordance with this section, IN A FORMAT  
8       APPROVED BY THE BOARD, or otherwise become licensed pursuant to  
9       sections 12-220-401 and 12-220-403, as applicable.

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

13           **12-220-405. Application for dental hygienist license - fee.**  
14       (1) Every person who desires to qualify for practice as a dental hygienist  
15       within this state must file with the board:

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

18           **SECTION 15.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-406, **amend**  
19       (1) as follows:

20           **12-220-406. Dental hygienist examinations - license.** (1) Every  
21       applicant for dental hygiene licensure must submit to the board proof that  
22       the applicant successfully completed the following:

23           (a) An examination administered by the Joint Commission on  
24       National Dental Examinations; ~~and~~

25           (b) An examination designed to test the applicant's clinical skills  
26       and knowledge, which must be administered by a regional testing agency  
27       composed of at least four states or an examination of another state, or a

1 methodology adopted by the board by rule that is designed to test the  
2 applicant's clinical skills and knowledge; AND

3 (c) A JURISPRUDENCE EXAMINATION APPROVED BY THE BOARD  
4 AND DESIGNED TO TEST THE APPLICANT'S KNOWLEDGE OF THIS ARTICLE  
5 220.

6 **SECTION 16.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-407.2,  
7 **amend** (1)(a) introductory portion and (1)(b) as follows:

8 **12-220-407.2. Application for dental therapist license - fee -**  
9 **rules.** (1) Effective May 1, 2023, every person who desires to qualify for  
10 practice as a dental therapist within this state must file with the board:

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

13 (b) Satisfactory proof that the applicant:

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

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

23 **SECTION 17.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-407.5,  
24 **amend** (1) as follows:

25 **12-220-407.5. Dental therapist examinations - license.**

26 (1) Every applicant for a dental therapy license must submit to the board  
27 proof that the applicant successfully completed:

- 1 (a) A clinical examination for dental therapy that:
- 2 (a) (I) Is designed to test the applicant's clinical dental therapy
- 3 skills and knowledge;
- 4 (b) (II) Includes dental therapy restorative and dental hygiene
- 5 clinical skill evaluation; and
- 6 (c) (III) Is administered by a regional testing agency composed of
- 7 at least four states or an examination of another state; AND
- 8 (b) A JURISPRUDENCE EXAMINATION APPROVED BY THE BOARD
- 9 AND DESIGNED TO TEST THE APPLICANT'S KNOWLEDGE OF THIS ARTICLE
- 10 220.

11 **SECTION 18.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-409, **add** (6)

12 as follows:

13 **12-220-409. Inactive dental, dental therapist, or dental**

14 **hygienist license - rules.** (6) THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT RULES THAT

15 ALLOW AN EXPEDITED, TEMPORARY LICENSURE DURING PUBLIC HEALTH

16 EMERGENCIES AND ACUTE WORKFORCE SHORTAGES FOR A DENTIST,

17 DENTAL HYGIENIST, OR DENTAL THERAPIST WHO HAS MAINTAINED A

18 LICENSE IN GOOD STANDING WITH NO PAST DISCIPLINARY HISTORY PRIOR

19 TO OBTAINING AN INACTIVE LICENSE. THE RULES MUST ADDRESS:

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

25 **SECTION 19.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-410, **add** (7)

26 as follows:

27 **12-220-410. Retired dental, dental therapist, and dental**

1     **hygienist licenses - rules.** (7) 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 20. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-411, amend**  
13     **(1) and (5)(a) as follows:**

14            **12-220-411. Anesthesia and sedation permits - dentists, dental**  
15     **therapists, and dental hygienists - training and experience**  
16     **requirements - office inspections - rules.** (1) (a) Upon application in a  
17     form and manner determined by the board and payment of the applicable  
18     fees established by the board, the board may issue an anesthesia or  
19     sedation permit to a licensed dentist or a local anesthesia permit to a  
20     dental therapist or dental hygienist in accordance with this section.

21            (b) THE BOARD SHALL DESIGN AND IMPLEMENT AN EXPEDITED  
22     APPLICATION AND PERMITTING PROCESS FOR A DENTIST WHO HAS  
23     COMPLETED AN ACCREDITED RESIDENCY PROGRAM IN GENERAL  
24     ANESTHESIA OR A POSTDOCTORAL TRAINING PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES  
25     COMPREHENSIVE AND APPROPRIATE TRAINING NECESSARY TO ADMINISTER  
26     AND MANAGE MODERATE SEDATION OR DEEP SEDATION AND GENERAL  
27     ANESTHESIA ACCORDING TO INDUSTRY-ACCEPTED STANDARDS.

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

4           (a) Designation of qualified ANESTHESIA inspectors who are  
5           experts in dental outpatient deep sedation/general anesthesia and  
6           moderate sedation; HAVE MORE THAN FIVE YEARS OF EXPERIENCE  
7           PROVIDING ANESTHESIA SERVICES AND HOLD AN ACTIVE ANESTHESIA  
8           PERMIT TO PROVIDE EITHER DENTAL OUTPATIENT DEEP  
9           SEDATION/GENERAL ANESTHESIA OR MODERATE SEDATION. AN  
10           ANESTHESIA INSPECTOR WHO HOLDS AN ACTIVE ANESTHESIA PERMIT TO  
11           PROVIDE MODERATE SEDATION MAY ONLY PROVIDE OFFICE ANESTHESIA  
12           INSPECTIONS FOR PROVIDERS WHO REQUEST MODERATE SEDATION  
13           PRIVILEGES FOR BOTH INITIAL AND RENEWAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS. AN  
14           ANESTHESIA INSPECTOR WHO HOLDS AN ACTIVE ANESTHESIA PERMIT TO  
15           PROVIDE DEEP SEDATION/GENERAL ANESTHESIA MAY PROVIDE OFFICE  
16           ANESTHESIA INSPECTIONS FOR ANY LEVEL OF SEDATION FOR BOTH INITIAL  
17           AND RENEWAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS. AN ANESTHESIA INSPECTOR SHALL  
18           COMPLETE AN ANESTHESIA INSPECTOR CALIBRATION PROGRAM CREATED  
19           AND UPDATED BY THE BOARD ONCE EVERY FIVE YEARS. THE ANESTHESIA  
20           INSPECTOR RECERTIFICATION MAY BE COMPLETED IN CONJUNCTION WITH  
21           AN ANESTHESIA PERMIT RENEWAL.

22           **SECTION 21.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-412, **amend**  
23           (1) as follows:

24           **12-220-412. Change of address - duplicate licenses and**  
25           **certificates.** (1) ~~Every~~ A person licensed under this article 220, upon  
26           changing the licensee's place of business OR CONTACT INFORMATION, shall  
27           furnish to the board the licensee's new mailing address AND EMAIL

1 ADDRESS within thirty days after the change.

2 **SECTION 22.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-501, **amend**  
3 (1)(a), (3)(a)(VI), (3)(b) introductory portion, and (3)(b)(III); and **repeal**  
4 (2) as follows:

5 **12-220-501. Tasks authorized to be performed by dental**  
6 **therapists, dental hygienists, or dental assistants - rules.**

7 (1) (a) ~~(f)~~ Except as provided in subsection (1)(a)(H) of this section, The  
8 responsibility for dental diagnosis, dental treatment planning, or the  
9 prescription of therapeutic measures in the practice of dentistry remains  
10 with a licensed dentist and may not be assigned to ~~any~~ A dental therapist,  
11 ~~or~~ dental hygienist, OR DENTAL ASSISTANT.

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

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

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

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

23 ~~(D) Repealed.~~

24 (2) Except as provided in subsection (1) of this section, a dental  
25 hygienist may perform any dental task or procedure assigned to the  
26 hygienist by a licensed dentist that does not require the professional skill  
27 of a licensed dentist; except that the dental hygienist may perform the task

1 ~~or procedure only under the indirect supervision of a licensed dentist or~~  
2 ~~as authorized in sections 12-220-503 and 12-220-504.~~

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

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

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

9 (III) Gathering and assembling information, including but not  
10 limited to fact-finding and patient history, oral inspection, and  
11 RECORDING OF dental and periodontal charting AS DICTATED BY A  
12 LICENSEE;

13 **SECTION 23.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 12-220-502  
14 as follows:

15 **12-220-502. Construction of dental devices by unlicensed**  
16 **technician.** (1) (a) A licensed dentist who uses the services of an  
17 unlicensed technician for the purpose of constructing, altering, repairing,  
18 or duplicating ~~any denture, bridge, splint, or orthodontic or prosthetic~~  
19 ~~appliance~~ A LABORATORY-FABRICATED INTRAORAL OR MAXILLOFACIAL  
20 DENTAL PROSTHESIS, PRODUCT, OR APPLIANCE shall furnish the unlicensed  
21 technician with a ~~written or electronic~~ DENTAL laboratory work order in  
22 a form ~~approved by~~ THAT COMPLIES WITH RULES OF the board, which form  
23 shall be dated and signed by the dentist for each separate and individual  
24 piece of work. The dentist shall make the DENTAL laboratory work order  
25 in a ~~reproducible~~ DOCUMENTED form, and the dentist and the unlicensed  
26 technician shall each retain a copy ~~in a permanent file for two years~~ AS A  
27 PERMANENT PART OF THE PATIENT RECORD. THE LABORATORY

1     TECHNICIAN SHALL RETAIN A COPY OF THE DENTAL LABORATORY WORK  
2     ORDER IN A FILE FOR A MINIMUM OF TWO YEARS. The permanent files of  
3     the licensed dentist and the unlicensed technician must be open to  
4     inspection at any reasonable time by the board or its duly constituted  
5     agent. The licensed dentist that furnishes the DENTAL laboratory work  
6     order must have appropriate training, education, and experience related  
7     to the prescribed treatment and is responsible for directly supervising all  
8     intraoral treatment rendered to the patient.

9           (b)     IF A PATIENT'S CARE REQUIRES THAT MULTIPLE  
10     LABORATORY-FABRICATED INTRAORAL OR MAXILLOFACIAL DENTAL  
11     PROSTHESES OR APPLIANCES BE FABRICATED AT THE SAME TIME, IT IS  
12     PERMISSIBLE TO INCORPORATE THOSE PRODUCTS OR APPLIANCES INTO A  
13     SINGLE DENTAL LABORATORY WORK ORDER.

14           ~~(b)~~ (c) An unlicensed technician that possesses a valid DENTAL  
15     laboratory work order may provide extraoral construction, manufacture,  
16     fabrication, supply, or repair of identified dental and orthodontic devices  
17     but shall not provide intraoral service in a human mouth except under the  
18     direct supervision of a licensed dentist in accordance with section  
19     12-220-501 (3)(d).

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

24           (3) If an unlicensed technician fails to have in the technician's  
25     possession a DENTAL laboratory work order signed by a licensed dentist  
26     with each denture, bridge, splint, or orthodontic or prosthetic appliance  
27     in the technician's possession, the absence of the DENTAL laboratory work

1 order is prima facie evidence of a violation of this section and constitutes  
2 the practice of dentistry without an active license in violation of, and  
3 subject to the penalties specified in, section 12-220-211.

4 **SECTION 24.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-503, **amend**  
5 (1) introductory portion, (1)(d)(II), (1)(d)(IV), (1)(d)(V), (1)(f), (1)(g)(I),  
6 (1)(g)(III)(A), (1)(g)(III)(B), (1)(g)(III)(C), (1)(g)(IV) introductory  
7 portion, (2), and (4); **repeal** (1)(g)(II)(A); and **add** (1)(d)(VI), (1)(e.5),  
8 (1)(g)(V), and (1)(h) as follows:

9 **12-220-503. What constitutes practicing unsupervised dental**  
10 **hygiene - rules.** (1) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS  
11 SECTION, unless licensed to practice dentistry, ~~a person~~ AN INDIVIDUAL is  
12 deemed to be practicing unsupervised dental hygiene when the ~~person~~  
13 INDIVIDUAL, within the scope of the ~~person's~~ INDIVIDUAL'S education,  
14 training, and experience:

15 (d) Gathers and assembles information, including but not limited  
16 to:

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

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

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

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

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

8 (f) Performs dental hygiene assessment, dental hygiene diagnosis,  
9 and dental hygiene treatment planning FOR HARD AND SOFT TISSUE for  
10 dental hygiene services as described in this section and identifies dental  
11 abnormalities for ~~immediate~~ referral to a dentist OR APPROPRIATE  
12 SPECIALIST; or

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

27 (II) A dental hygienist shall not prescribe, administer, or dispense

1 the following:

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

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

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

9 (B) Topical anti-carries treatments, ~~as follows, all using sodium~~  
10 ~~fluoride unless otherwise indicated: Toothpastes: 1.1% or less (or~~  
11 ~~stannous fluoride 0.4%); topical gels: 1.1% or less (or stannous fluoride~~  
12 ~~0.4%); oral rinses: 0.05%, 0.2%, 0.44%, or 0.5%; oral rinse concentrate~~  
13 ~~used in periodontal disease: 0.63% stannous fluoride; fluoride varnish:~~  
14 ~~5%; silver diamine fluoride: 38%; and prophy pastes containing~~  
15 ~~approximately 1.23% sodium fluoride and used for polishing procedures~~  
16 ~~as part of professional dental prophylaxis treatment INCLUDING SODIUM~~  
17 ~~FLUORIDE, STANNOUS FLUORIDE, SILVER DIAMINE FLUORIDE, OTHER~~  
18 ~~SILVER FLUORIDES, HYDROXYAPATITE REGENERATION MEDICAMENTS~~  
19 ~~USED FOR REPAIRING CAVITIES, AND ALTERNATIVES FOR STRENGTHENING~~  
20 ~~TEETH AND PREVENTING AND ARRESTING TOOTH DECAY. THE BOARD MAY~~  
21 ~~ADOPT RULES THAT IDENTIFY SAFE PRESCRIBING ALTERNATIVES TO SILVER~~  
22 ~~DIAMINE FLUORIDE AS A TREATMENT FOR STRENGTHENING TEETH AND~~  
23 ~~PREVENTING TOOTH DECAY.~~

24 (C) Topical anti-infectives, ~~as follows: Chlorhexidine gluconate~~  
25 ~~rinses: 0.12%; chlorhexidine gluconate periodontal chips for subgingival~~  
26 ~~insertion into a periodontal pocket/sulcus; tetracycline impregnated fibers;~~  
27 ~~inserted subgingivally into a periodontal pocket/sulcus; doxycycline~~

1 ~~hyclate periodontal gel, inserted subgingivally into a periodontal~~  
2 ~~pocket/sulcus; and minocycline hydrochloride periodontal powder,~~  
3 ~~inserted subgingivally into a periodontal pocket/sulcus~~ INCLUDING  
4 CHLORHEXIDINE GLUCONATE RINSE, PERIODONTAL CHIPS, PERIODONTAL  
5 GELS, PERIODONTAL POWDERS, AND IMPREGNATED FIBERS FOR  
6 PERIODONTAL TREATMENT; and

7 (IV) A dental hygienist may prescribe and apply silver diamine  
8 fluoride AND OTHER SILVER FLUORIDES upon completion of a  
9 postsecondary course or continuing education course developed at the  
10 postsecondary level that satisfies the requirements established by the  
11 board and provides instructions on the use and limitations of applying  
12 silver diamine fluoride. A dental hygienist may complete the course  
13 described in this subsection (1)(g)(IV) through:

14 (V) A DENTAL HYGIENIST MAY PRESCRIBE, DISPENSE, AND  
15 ADMINISTER NONNARCOTIC ANALGESICS, ANTI-INFLAMMATORIES, AND  
16 ANTIBIOTICS WITHIN THE PARAMETERS OF A WRITTEN ARTICULATED PLAN,  
17 WITH THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE SUPERVISING DENTIST, AND UPON  
18 COMPLETION OF A POSTSECONDARY COURSE OR CONTINUING EDUCATION  
19 COURSE DEVELOPED AT THE POSTSECONDARY LEVEL THAT SATISFIES THE  
20 REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD AND THAT PROVIDES  
21 INSTRUCTION ON THE USE AND LIMITATIONS OF NONNARCOTIC  
22 ANALGESICS, ANTI-INFLAMMATORIES, AND ANTIBIOTICS.

23 (h) DIRECTS DENTAL ASSISTANTS TO ASSIST IN ACTIVITIES THAT  
24 ARE WITHIN THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE FOR A DENTAL HYGIENIST UNDER  
25 DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A DENTAL HYGIENIST ONLY; EXCEPT THAT DENTAL  
26 ASSISTANTS SHALL NOT PERFORM ACTIVITIES DISALLOWED UNDER SECTION  
27 12-220-501 (3)(a).

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

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

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

27 **SECTION 25.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 12-220-504,

1 as follows:

2 **12-220-504. What constitutes practicing supervised dental**  
3 **hygiene - rules.** (1) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 12-220-501 (3), unless  
4 licensed to practice dentistry, a person who performs any of the following  
5 tasks under the supervision of a licensed dentist is deemed to be  
6 practicing supervised dental hygiene:

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

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

9 ~~(c) Administering local anesthesia under the indirect supervision~~  
10 ~~of a licensed dentist pursuant to rules of the board, including minimum~~  
11 ~~education requirements and procedures for local anesthesia~~  
12 ~~administration; or~~

13 ~~=====~~

14 ~~(e) Repealed.~~

15 (f) PLACING INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS PURSUANT TO  
16 SECTION 12-220-505; AND

17 (g) ADMINISTERING AND MONITORING INHALATION ANESTHESIA  
18 UNDER THE INDIRECT SUPERVISION OF A DENTIST CONSISTENT WITH  
19 SECTION 12-220-305 (1)(q) AND PURSUANT TO THE RULES OF THE BOARD  
20 REGARDING TRAINING AND MINIMUM EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS;

21 (h) UTILIZING A LASER FOR DENTAL HYGIENE PURPOSES WITHIN  
22 DEFINED SCOPES OF PRACTICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES OF THE BOARD;

23 (i) (I) PURSUANT TO RULES ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD OF  
24 HEALTH CREATED IN SECTION 25-1-103 AND PROVIDED TO THE COLORADO  
25 DENTAL BOARD, ADMINISTERING IMMUNIZATIONS, UNDER THE DIRECT  
26 SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST OR THE DELEGATION OF A LICENSED  
27 PHYSICIAN, PHARMACIST CERTIFIED IN IMMUNIZATION, OR OTHER

1 DELEGATED PROFESSIONAL, TO DENTAL PATIENTS OF RECORD IF THE  
2 PATIENTS ARE SIX YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.

3 (II) DENTISTS AND DENTAL HYGIENISTS:

4 (A) ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE MEDICAL EXEMPTIONS FOR  
5 ANY REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS;

6 (B) SHALL ENTER ALL IMMUNIZATION-RELATED ADMINISTRATION  
7 INFORMATION INTO THE COLORADO IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION SYSTEM  
8 CREATED PURSUANT TO PART 24 OF ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE 25; AND

9 (C) WHO ADMINISTER IMMUNIZATIONS SHALL DISCLOSE THEIR  
10 MEDICAL TRAINING RELATED TO PEDIATRIC ADMINISTRATION, INCLUDING  
11 THE ABILITY TO MANAGE SIDE EFFECTS OR ADVERSE OUTCOMES, TO  
12 PATIENTS AS PART OF THE PATIENT CONSENT PROCESS.

13 (j) ADMINISTERING NEUROMODULATORS AND DERMAL FILLERS FOR  
14 THERAPEUTIC AND COSMETIC PURPOSES UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION  
15 OF A LICENSED DENTIST, OR THE DELEGATION OF A LICENSED PHYSICIAN OR  
16 OTHER DELEGATED PROFESSIONAL, PURSUANT TO RULES ADOPTED BY THE  
17 BOARD. THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT RULES REGARDING THE APPROPRIATE  
18 EDUCATION AND TRAINING, AS APPLICABLE.

19 (k) PRESCRIBING, DISPENSING, AND ADMINISTERING NON-OPIOID  
20 ANALGESIC DRUGS AND ANTIBIOTIC DRUGS UNDER A WRITTEN  
21 ARTICULATED PLAN AND WITH THE AUTHORITY OF A SUPERVISING  
22 LICENSED DENTIST.

23 (2) A DENTAL HYGIENIST MAY PERFORM ANY DENTAL TASK OR  
24 PROCEDURE ASSIGNED TO THE DENTAL HYGIENIST BY A LICENSED DENTIST  
25 THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE THE PROFESSIONAL SKILL OF A LICENSED  
26 DENTIST; EXCEPT THAT THE DENTAL HYGIENIST MAY PERFORM THE TASK  
27 OR PROCEDURE ONLY UNDER THE INDIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED

1 DENTIST OR AS AUTHORIZED IN SECTIONS 12-220-503 AND 12-220-504.

2 **SECTION 26.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-505, **amend**  
3 (1)(b), (1)(d), and (6)(a); and **add** (6)(c) as follows:

4 **12-220-505. Interim therapeutic restorations by dental**  
5 **hygienists - permitting process - rules - subject to review.** (1) Upon  
6 application, accompanied by a fee in an amount determined by the  
7 director, the board shall grant a permit to place interim therapeutic  
8 restorations to any dental hygienist applicant who:

9 (b) Has completed a course developed at the postsecondary  
10 educational level that complies with the rules adopted by the board. The  
11 course must be offered under the direct supervision of a member of the  
12 faculty of ~~a~~ AN ACCREDITED Colorado dental or dental hygiene school.  
13 ~~accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation or its successor~~  
14 ~~agency.~~ All faculty responsible for clinical evaluation of students must be  
15 dentists with a faculty appointment at an accredited Colorado dental or  
16 dental hygiene school.

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

22 (6) (a) A dentist shall not supervise more than five full-time  
23 equivalent dental hygienists who place interim therapeutic restorations  
24 under telehealth supervision unless granted a waiver by the board  
25 pursuant to subsection (6)(b) of this section. ~~For purposes of patient~~  
26 ~~referral for follow-up care,~~ A dentist who supervises a dental hygienist  
27 who provides interim therapeutic restorations under telehealth supervision

1 must have an active license in good standing issued by the board. ~~and a~~  
2 ~~physical practice location in Colorado or within reasonable proximity of~~  
3 ~~the location where the interim therapeutic restoration is placed~~ BEFORE  
4 PROVIDING INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS, A DENTAL HYGIENIST  
5 SHALL CONFIRM IN COMMUNICATION TO THE SUPERVISING DENTIST A  
6 REFERRAL FOR FOLLOW-UP CARE TO A LICENSED DENTIST WITHIN  
7 REASONABLE PHYSICAL PROXIMITY TO THE LOCATION WHERE THE INTERIM  
8 THERAPEUTIC RESTORATION IS PLACED.

9 (c) A DENTIST SHALL NOT SUPERVISE, IN AGGREGATE, MORE THAN  
10 FIVE FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT DENTAL HYGIENISTS OR DENTAL THERAPISTS  
11 PERFORMING PROCEDURES PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (6)(a) OF THIS  
12 SECTION AND SECTION 12-220-508, AND LIMITS ON SUPERVISION OF  
13 DENTAL THERAPISTS MUST REMAIN CONSISTENT WITH SECTION 12-220-508  
14 (3).

15 **SECTION 27.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-508, **amend**  
16 (1)(a) introductory portion, (1)(a)(VIII), (2)(a)(VI), and (3)(a); and **add**  
17 (1)(c)(IX) and (3)(d) as follows:

18 **12-220-508. Practice of dental therapy - supervision**  
19 **requirement - rules.** (1) (a) A dental therapist may perform the  
20 following tasks and procedures under the direct supervision of a ~~licensed~~  
21 dentist WITH AN ACTIVE LICENSE IN GOOD STANDING:

22 (VIII) Repair defective prosthetic devices.

23 (c) A dental therapist licensed pursuant to this article 220 may  
24 perform the following tasks under the indirect supervision of a licensed  
25 dentist, regardless of the number of hours the dental therapist has  
26 practiced:

27 (IX) DIRECTING DENTAL ASSISTANTS TO ASSIST IN ACTIVITIES

1 THAT ARE WITHIN THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE FOR A DENTAL THERAPIST  
2 UNDER DIRECT AND INDIRECT SUPERVISION OF THE DENTAL THERAPIST  
3 ONLY; EXCEPT THAT DENTAL ASSISTANTS SHALL NOT PERFORM ACTIVITIES  
4 DISALLOWED UNDER SECTION 12-220-501 (3)(a).

5 (2) (a) An articulated plan between a dental therapist and a dentist  
6 must include:

7 (VI) CONSISTENT WITH DENTAL ASSISTANTS' SCOPE OF PRACTICE,  
8 policies for supervising dental assistants and working with dental  
9 hygienists and other dental practitioners and staff.

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

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

18 **SECTION 28.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-34-104, **repeal**  
19 (26)(a)(I); and **add** (35)(a)(VI) as follows:

20 **24-34-104. General assembly review of regulatory agencies**  
21 **and functions for repeal, continuation, or reestablishment - legislative**  
22 **declaration - repeal.** (26) (a) The following agencies, functions, or both,  
23 are scheduled for repeal on September 1, 2025:

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

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

27 (VI) THE COLORADO DENTAL BOARD CREATED IN ARTICLE 220 OF

1 TITLE 12.

2 **SECTION 29. Repeal of relocated provisions.** In Colorado  
3 Revised Statutes, **repeal** 12-220-104 (11).

4 **SECTION 30. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
5 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
6 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except  
7 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V  
8 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this  
9 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take  
10 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
11 November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
12 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.