

AN ACT

ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions relating to services performed by dental hygienists.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. That § 36-6A-40 be amended to read as follows:

36-6A-40. Any licensed dentist, public institution, or school authority may use the services of a licensed dental hygienist. Such licensed dental hygienist may perform those services which are educational, diagnostic, therapeutic, or preventive in nature and are authorized by the Board of Dentistry, including those additional procedures authorized by subdivision 36-6A-14(10). Such services may not include the establishment of a final diagnosis or treatment plan for a dental patient. Such services shall be performed under supervision of a licensed dentist.

As an employee of a public institution or school authority, functioning without the supervision of a licensed dentist, a licensed dental hygienist may only provide educational services.

A dental hygienist may perform preventive and therapeutic services under general supervision if all individuals treated are patients of record of a licensed dentist and all care rendered by the hygienist is completed under the definition of patient of record. A dental hygienist may perform preventive and therapeutic services under collaborative supervision if the requirements of § 36-6A-40.1 are met. However, no dental hygienist may perform preventive and therapeutic services under collaborative supervision for more than thirteen months for any person who has not had a complete evaluation by a dentist, unless employed by Delta Dental Plan of South Dakota, a nonprofit dental service corporation organized under chapter 58-39, providing services through written agreement with the Indian Health Service or a federally recognized tribe in South Dakota. The exemption for a dental hygienist employed by Delta Dental Plan of South Dakota providing services through written agreement with the Indian Health Service or a federally recognized tribe in South Dakota expires on June 30, 2016.

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I certify that the attached Act
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SENATE as Bill No. 172

Secretary of the Senate
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President of the Senate

Attest:

Secretary of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Attest:

Chief Clerk

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By _____
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The attached Act is hereby
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Governor

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA,
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Office of the Secretary of State

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Secretary of State

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