Services, Locations and Populations RDHAP under SB 68

The following services may be rendered under the permit:

- Oral health promotion, disease prevention education, and oral systemic health education
- Removal of calcareous deposits, accretions, and stains from the surfaces of teeth
- Application of topical preventive or prophylactic agents, including: Silver Diamine Fluoride, fluoride varnishes, and pit and fissure sealants
- Polishing and smoothing restorations
- Removal of marginal overhangs
- Preliminary charting and triage to formulate a dental hygiene assessment and dental hygiene treatment plan
- Exposure and development of radiographs
- Use of local periodontal therapeutic agents;
- Nonsurgical periodontal therapy, with or without the administration of local anesthesia
- Screening for oral cancer
- Writing prescriptions for:
- fluoride that is applied or provided to a patient or chlorhexidine or a similar antibacterial rinse.

The above services may be rendered to a patient who is unable to receive dental treatment because of age, infirmity, or disability and is:

- A resident in a senior center, including a hospital, long-term care facility, adult foster home, residential care facility, or adult congregate living facility
- A resident in a health care facility, including a mental health residential program or facility for individuals with developmental or other disabilities;
- Held in a local correctional facility for juveniles or adults
- Enrolled in a nursery school, day care program, vocational training facility, primary school, secondary school, private school, or public charter school;
- Entitled to benefits under 42 U.S.C. 1786 (Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children)
- Homebound
- A member of a population that the Board of Dental Examiners determines is underserved

A licensed dental hygienist who provides services under an advanced practice permit, shall maintain professional liability insurance and provide the patient, or the parent or legal guardian of the patient with:

- A written notice that the treatment provided will be limited to preventive services and non-surgical periodontal therapy and will not include comprehensive oral health care services
- A written recommendation that the patient be examined by a licensed dentist for comprehensive oral health care services
- Assistance in obtaining a referral to a licensed dentist for further planning and treatment, including a written description of methods for obtaining a referral and a list of licensed dentists in the patient's community or other resources for finding a licensed dentist.

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