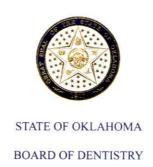
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New hygiene laser advanced procedure information:

The Board has received many questions regarding the laser advanced procedure for hygienists. The statute went into effect July 1, 2023, however, the rules are set to go into effect September 1, 2023. License renewal begins October 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. The Board will have a grace period for lasers advanced procedures through January 1, 2024. This will allow time for hygienists to submit documentation to the Board to have this advanced procedure added to their 2024 license. If you are a hygienist that has been using a laser within the guidelines as listed by the rules in excess of two years, your supervising dentist may sign an affidavit as to your proficiency and you will be grandfathered in. Please fill out the application and submit it as soon as possible. The rules with the additional advanced procedures have been posted on the Boards website since November of 2022, and were on the agenda at the November 2022, January and March Board meetings for discussion and voting also. The Boards duty is to protect the public. Additionally, the Board is committed to continually review all of the statutes and rules regularly as dental practice evolves with new technology and procedures. The Board welcomes any written suggestions.





> Proof of an 8 hour or more course_

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Therapeutic Use of Lasers Application

\$10 check or money order- THE BOARD CANNOT ACCEPT CASH

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY WITH BLUE OR BLACK INK

Dental Hygienist	Dental Hygienist Name		OK RDH #		
Current Mailing A	ddress				
Daytime Phone N	umber	Email Addr	ess	-	
Please see the new Rule	pelow. Your course w	ill have to be approved Board.	by the Allied He	alth Committee and/or the	
(1) Therapeutic Use of I	asers				
(a) A hygienist may a	ply for an Advanc	ed Procedure perm	t for the thera	peutic use of lasers	
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(iv.)		laser pursuant to the	s Rule, at a mi	nimum, the type of	
	laser, settings used and details of procedures performed, must be				
	documented in the patient's record.				

 Copy of Course outline if course has not already been approved by the Board Affidavit by supervising dentist stating hygienist has been using laser for over 2 years
IMPORTANT: Please be aware that the Committee requires the above documentation and if you do not submit the above documentation, there is no guarantee the Committee will be able to make a recommendation to the Board. Your request will be reviewed at the next regularly scheduled Committee meeting, which are typically 1-3 weeks prior to the Board Meetings. You will be notified in writing once the committee has made a recommendation and the Board approves such recommendation.
OR
AFFIDAVIT OF DENTIST
I,
Dentist Name and License Number Printed Clearly Dentist Signature Date
Dental Hygienist Signature
FOR COMMITTEE USE ONLY:
Date Reviewed: Date Notified:

Recommendation: