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POLICY/ PROCEDURE COURSE CERTIFICATION FOR MONITORING OF NITROUS OXIDE SEDATION

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 40-15-105

POLICY

S.C. Code Ann. Section 40-15-105 authorizes a dental hygienist or expanded duty dental assistant to monitor nitrous oxide anesthesia (conscious sedation) "upon certification, as provided by the board in regulation, and when under the direct supervision of a licensed dentist." To reasonably assure that dental hygienists or expanded duty dental assistants monitoring nitrous oxide sedation have received appropriate professional training, this Board has been delegated responsibility for reviewing and approving courses and other training.

PROCEDURE

Course sponsors requesting inclusion on the Board approved listing must provide the Board office with documentation of course approval from PACE, CERP or other certifying agency approved by the Board. Sponsors are responsible for maintaining certifying agency approval. Courses not approved by a board approved certifying agency will not be approved by the Board.

Approved by the Board: April 9, 2021