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An Act To Improve Efficiencies in Dental Offices

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §1094-D, as amended by PL 2007, c. 620, Pt. C, §9, is further amended to read:

§ 1094-D. Definitions

As used in this subchapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, "expanded function dental assistant" means an individual who holds a current valid certification under this subchapter to perform reversible intraoral procedures authorized by this subchapter under the direct supervision of a licensed dentist and under an assignment of duties by a dentist. As used in this subchapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, "reversible intraoral procedures" means placing and removing rubber dams and matrices; placing and contouring amalgam, composite and other restorative materials; applying sealants; supra gingival polishing and scaling; and other reversible procedures defined by the board not designated by this chapter to be performed only by licensed dentists, dental hygienists or independent practice dental hygienists.

SUMMARY

This bill allows expanded function dental assistants to perform supra gingival scaling under the direct supervision of a dentist.