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JURISPRUDENCE EXAMINATION FOR DENTIST CANDIDATES

INSTRUCTIONS

The successful completion of this examination fulfills the Jurisprudence requirement for the Delaware Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene for **dentist** licensure candidates. This is an "open-book" examination. The answers are in the Board's [License Law](#) and [Rules and Regulations](#), both of which are available on the Board's [website](#).

1. Each question has **one** correct answer.
 - For Multiple Choice questions, enter the letter of the correct answer in the **ANSWER** space following the question.
 - For True/False questions, check the box next to the correct answer.
2. When you have finished the examination, complete the **AFFIDAVIT** *in the presence of a notary*.
3. Mail the completed, signed and notarized exam to the attention of the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene at the address above.

IDENTIFYING AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____ Social Security Number: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Date of Exam: _____

QUESTIONS

1. Vacancies occurring in the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene shall be filled by the

- A. Delaware Dental Hygienists' Association
- B. Delaware State Dental Society
- C. Governor
- D. Division of Professional Regulation
- E. All of the above

ANSWER: _____

2. Which of these is a requirement for appointment to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene?

- A. Resident of Delaware for five years preceding appointment
- B. Officer of a professional association
- C. Faculty member at a dental hygiene or dental school
- D. Licensed professional with a minimum of ten years experience

ANSWER: _____

3. Re-licensure shall be issued upon

- A. Completion of continuing professional education
- B. Certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation
- C. Payment of a fee
- D. All of the above

ANSWER: _____**4. The Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene shall consist of all the following except**

- A. Consumer/public member
- B. Dental assistant
- C. Dental hygienist
- D. Dentist

ANSWER: _____**5. Who appoints the Dental Hygiene Advisory Committee?**

- A. The Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene
- B. The Delaware Dental Hygienists' Association
- C. The Delaware State Dental Society
- D. The Governor
- E. All of the above

ANSWER: _____**6. Who appoints the members of the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene?**

- A. The Governor
- B. The President pro tem of the Senate
- C. The General Assembly with the approval of the Governor
- D. The Division of Professional Regulation

ANSWER: _____**7. You can obtain continuing professional education credits by**

- A. Self study
- B. Attending scientific sessions of professional associations or society meetings
- C. Teaching professional courses or making presentations to dental societies or dental hygiene associations
- D. Publishing an article in a professional journal
- E. All of the above

ANSWER: _____**8. The functions of the Delaware Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene include all of the following except**

- A. Establishing guidelines for professional fees
- B. Granting licenses to practice dentistry and dental hygiene
- C. Establishing rules and regulations affecting the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene
- D. Suspending or revoking licenses or imposing other discipline in appropriate cases

ANSWER: _____

9. Public members of the Delaware Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene have full voting privileges except for

- A. Granting licenses
- B. Adopting rules and regulations
- C. Suspending or revoking licenses
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: _____

10. The certificate to practice dentistry or dental hygiene shall be exposed to public view in the place of business of the licensee.

- True False

11. If a dentist or dental hygienist fails to submit proof of continuing education, his or her license will not be renewed and he or she cannot practice in the State of Delaware.

- True False

12. A dentist or dental hygienist must renew his or her license every

- A. Year
- B. Two Years
- C. Four Years
- D. License is permanent

ANSWER: _____

13. A dental hygienist is required to have 24 hours of continuing education every two years.

- True False

14. A dentist's or dental hygienist's license may be revoked if the license was procured through fraud or misrepresentation.

- True False

15. An applicant for licensure or renewal as a dentist or dental hygienist shall not have a criminal conviction record nor pending criminal charge relating to an offense, the circumstances of which substantially relate to the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene.

- True False

16. A dentist's or dental hygienist's license may be revoked if he or she is guilty of the excessive use or abuse of drugs.

- True False

17. A licensed dentist or dental hygienist who is found to have practiced in an incompetent or grossly negligent manner or who has otherwise been guilty of misconduct or unprofessional conduct may be subject to discipline by the Board.

- True False

18. The employment and duties of dental hygienists include all of the following except

- A. Performing prophylactic measures including application of chemicals to the teeth
- B. Making instrumental examinations of the teeth for cavities
- C. Establishing an office for the practice of dental hygiene
- D. Removing calculus deposits, plaque, accretions and stains from all surfaces of the teeth
- E. Assembling all necessary information for use by the dentist in diagnosis and treatment planning

ANSWER: _____

19. The practice of dentistry is defined as all of the following *except*

- A. Being a proprietor of a place for performing dental operations
- B. Accepting fees for dental operations
- C. Diagnosing or treating diseases or lesions of teeth, jaws or oral tissues
- D. Reviewing insurance claims related to the practice of dentistry
- E. Using the word "Dentist," Dental Surgeon," "D.D.S.," or "D.M.D." in connection with his or her name

ANSWER: _____**20. If a consumer wishes to have the Board consider a complaint against a licensed dentist or dental hygienist, the consumer should make the complaint in writing addressed to the**

- A. Delaware State Dental Society
- B. Delaware Dental Hygienists' Association
- C. Division of Professional Regulation
- D. Better Business Bureau

ANSWER: _____**21. A licensed dentist may be subject to a \$5,000 fine by the Board if the Board finds that he or she has engaged in a single act of consumer fraud or deception.**

- True False

22. All licensed dentists are required by statute to carry malpractice insurance.

- True False

23. There is a limit on the number of hours in practice management or personal self-improvement that may be submitted for license renewal.

- True False

24. For any dentist administering anesthesia, an anesthesia permit is required for all of the following *except*

- A. Local anesthesia
- B. Conscious sedation
- C. Deep sedation
- D. General anesthesia

ANSWER: _____**25. If any adverse occurrences occur as a result of the administration of conscious sedation or general anesthesia, the dentist is required to report this occurrence within 30 days to the**

- A. Delaware State Dental Society
- B. Division of Professional Regulation
- C. Delaware Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene
- D. Malpractice insurer

ANSWER: _____**26. Members of the Delaware State Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene are appointed for terms of four years.**

- True False

27. Which of the following is not required for the general supervision by a dentist of a licensed dental hygienist?

- A. If the dentist is not to be present, the patient must be notified as soon as it is known that the dentist will not be present and given the option to reschedule to a time when the dentist will be present in the office.
- B. The patient must be offered a discount on any fee because the dentist is not present.
- C. The dentist is required to review the treatment records of each patient prior to and following the patient treatment.
- D. Patients for whom it is medically or dentally contraindicated may not be scheduled when the dentist is not present.
- E. A second office employee must be present in the treatment facility at all times when patient care is performed.

ANSWER: _____

28. How many hours of continuing education is a dentist required to complete every two years?

- A. 24
- B. 36
- C. 40
- D. 50

ANSWER: _____

29. If an applicant fails the practical examination once, how many more times is he or she allowed to retake the examination *without* having to provide evidence of mitigating circumstances to the satisfaction of the Board?

- A. One
- B. Two
- C. Three
- D. Unlimited times

ANSWER: _____

30. The practical test in dentistry and dental hygiene and its methods of administration are validated as to content and scoring by a member of the faculty of an accredited school of dentistry who cannot be licensed to practice dentistry in Delaware.

- True
- False

AFFIDAVIT OF APPLICANT

I, _____, do hereby certify under oath the following:

I understand that this is an open-book examination and that the only authorized sources of assistance for completing this examination are the License Law and Rules and Regulations of the Delaware Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene.

I have read the Delaware License Law and Rules and Regulations in its entirety and have completed this examination without the aid or assistance of any individual or other unauthorized source.

I further understand that in accordance with 24 Del.C. § 1122(d), which states: *Where the Board has found to its satisfaction that an applicant has been intentionally fraudulent, or that false information has been intentionally supplied, the Board shall deny the application and report its findings to the Attorney General for further action.*

Witnessed my signature, the _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Notary Public: _____

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My Commission Expires: _____