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30.28 Accreditation.

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31.1 (1) have successfully completed a postdoctoral specialty program accredited by the

31.2 Commission on Dental Accreditation, or have announced a limitation of practice before

31.3 1967;

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31.5 Dentistry, or provide evidence of having passed a clinical examination for licensure required

31.6 for practice in any state or Canadian province, or in the case of oral and maxillofacial

31.7 surgeons only, have a Minnesota medical license in good standing;

31.8 (3) have been in active practice or a postdoctoral specialty education program or United

31.9 States government service at least 2,000 hours in the 36 months prior to applying for a

31.10 specialty license;

31.11 (4) if requested by the board, be interviewed by a committee of the board, which may

31.12 include the assistance of specialists in the evaluation process, and satisfactorily respond to

31.13 questions designed to determine the applicant's knowledge of dental subjects and ability to

31.14 practice;

31.15 (5) if requested by the board, present complete records on a sample of patients treated

31.16 by the applicant. The sample must be drawn from patients treated by the applicant during

31.17 the 36 months preceding the date of application. The number of records shall be established

31.18 by the board. The records shall be reasonably representative of the treatment typically

31.19 provided by the applicant for each specialty area;

31.20 (6) at board discretion, pass a board-approved English proficiency test if English is not

31.21 the applicant's primary language;

31.22 (7) pass all components of the National Board Dental Examinations;

31.23 (8) pass the Minnesota Board of Dentistry jurisprudence examination;

31.24 (9) abide by professional ethical conduct requirements; and

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32.16 (c) The application must include:

32.17 (1) a completed application furnished by the board;

31.28 (2) a nonrefundable fee; and

31.29 (3) a copy of the applicant's government-issued photo identification card.

32.1 (d) A specialty dentist holding one or more specialty licenses is limited to practicing in
32.2 the dentist's designated specialty area or areas. The scope of practice must be defined by
32.3 each national specialty board recognized by the Commission on Dental Accreditation.

32.4 ~~(e) A specialty dentist holding a general dental license is limited to practicing in the~~
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32.8 ~~(f)~~ (c) All specialty dentists who have fulfilled the specialty dentist requirements and
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32.11 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 150A.06, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

32.12 Subd. 8. **Licensure by credentials; dental assistant.** (a) Any dental assistant may, upon
32.13 application and payment of a fee established by the board, apply for licensure based on an
32.14 evaluation of the applicant's education, experience, and performance record in lieu of
32.15 completing a board-approved dental assisting program for expanded functions as defined
32.16 in rule, and may be interviewed by the board to determine if the applicant:

32.17 (1) has graduated from an accredited dental assisting program accredited by the
32.18 Commission on Dental Accreditation ~~and~~ or is currently certified by the Dental Assisting
32.19 National Board;

32.20 (2) is not subject to any pending or final disciplinary action in another state or Canadian
32.21 province, or if not currently certified or registered, previously had a certification or
32.22 registration in another state or Canadian province in good standing that was not subject to
32.23 any final or pending disciplinary action at the time of surrender;

32.24 (3) is of good moral character and abides by professional ethical conduct requirements;

32.25 (4) at board discretion, has passed a board-approved English proficiency test if English
32.26 is not the applicant's primary language; and

32.27 (5) has met all expanded functions curriculum equivalency requirements of a Minnesota
32.28 board-approved dental assisting program.

32.29 (b) The board, at its discretion, may waive specific licensure requirements in paragraph
32.30 (a).

33.1 (c) An applicant who fulfills the conditions of this subdivision and demonstrates the
33.2 minimum knowledge in dental subjects required for licensure under subdivision 2a must
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33.5 required for licensure under subdivision 2a, the application must be denied. If licensure is
33.6 denied, the board may notify the applicant of any specific remedy that the applicant could
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