

4715-11-02**Certified dental assistant; functions.**

(A) A licensed dentist may assign to certified dental assistants under his direct supervision and full responsibility those basic remediable intra-oral dental tasks and/or procedures as defined in rule 4715-11-01.

(B) A licensed dentist may assign to currently certified dental assistants under his direct supervision and full responsibility the following dental tasks and/or procedures in addition to those basic remediable intra-oral dental tasks and/or procedures as defined in rule 4715-11-01:

(1) "Coronal polishing" - Upon receipt of a certificate from the board authorizing the certified dental assistant to engage in coronal polishing activities, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 4715.39, the certified dental assistant may perform polishing of the enamel and restorations on the anatomical crowns of human teeth by utilizing only a combination of a polishing agent, a slow speed hand piece, a prophyl angle and a rubber cup. This in no way authorizes the mechanical removal of calculus. Nothing in this rule authorizes a certified dental assistant to perform a complete oral prophylaxis; and

(2) The polishing is performed only after a dentist has evaluated the patient and any calculus detected on the teeth to be polished has been removed by the dentist or dental hygienist; and

(3) The dentist supervising the assistant supervises not more than two dental assistants engaging in coronal polishing activities at any given time.

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