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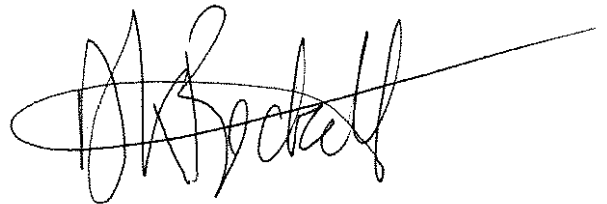
ORDER OF THE MINISTER OF HEALTH

Health Professions Act

I, Daryl Beckett, as delegate of the Minister of Health, order that the amendments to the bylaws of the College of Dental Hygienists of British Columbia, as set out in the schedule to the attached resolution of the board of the College dated October 27, 2012, come into force on November 1, 2012.

October 30, 2012

Date



Daryl Beckett
Director, Professional Regulation
Ministry of Health

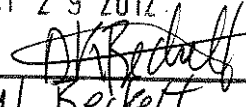
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Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section:- *Health Professions Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 183, s. 19 (3.2) (b)
Other (specify):- *Ministry of Health Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 301, s. 4 (2)

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF THE
COLLEGE OF DENTAL HYGIENISTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
MADE THE 27th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2012**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, in accordance with the authority established in section 19 (1) of the *Health Professions Act*, and subject to filing with the Minister, as required under section 19 (3) of the *Health Professions Act*, the Board amends the Bylaws of the College of Dental Hygienists of British Columbia, as set out in the Schedule attached to this Resolution.

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MINISTRY OF HEALTH
OCT 29 2012
SIGNATURE: 
NAME: <u>Daryl Beckett</u>
TITLE: <u>Director, Professional Regulation</u>

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Heather Biggar
Acting Registrar

SCHEDULE

The Bylaws made by the College of Dental Hygienists of British Columbia under the authority of the *Health Professions Act* are amended as follows:

1 Section 39 (1) is amended by repealing paragraph (d) and substituting the following:

(d) compliance with any requirements set out in section 52 or section 52.1, as applicable, .

2 Section 39 (1) (e) is amended by striking out “an assessment” and substituting “a jurisprudence module” and by striking out “in Form 1”.

3 Section 39 (1) (i) is amended by striking out “search.” and substituting “check in the form required by the *Criminal Records Review Act*.”.

4 Section 39 (3) is amended by striking out “Thereafter, the requirements set out in section 39(1)(d) may be met by an applicant in accordance with Schedule G.”.

5 Section 47 (2) is amended by striking out “(residential care)” and substituting “(365 Day Rule Exempt)” and by repealing paragraph (d) and substituting the following:

(d) proof satisfactory to the registration committee of continued compliance with the continuing education required by these bylaws, and .

6 Section 47 is amended by adding the following subsection:

(7) In this section, “continuing education” means either the continuing competency program set out in section 52 or the quality assurance program set out in section 52.1, as the quality assurance committee determines in respect of each registrant. .

7 Section 52 (1) is amended by striking out “(residential care)” and substituting “(365 Day Rule Exempt)” and by striking out “conditional registrants must” and substituting “conditional registrants, and new graduates not previously registered as dental hygienists in any other jurisdiction, must”.

8 Section 52 (4) is amended by striking out “(residential care)” and substituting “(365 Day Rule Exempt)”.

9 The following section is added:

Quality Assurance Program

52.1 (1) In this section:

“assessment” means the assessment described in paragraph (a) of the definition of QAP;

“continuing competency credit” means a continuing dental hygiene educational activity that has been approved for the purposes of QAP by the quality assurance committee for which a registrant receives credit;

“QAP” means the quality assurance program established by the quality assurance committee in accordance with this section, and consists of

- (a) an individualized assessment process approved by the quality assurance committee,
- (b) an individualized learning plan that includes stated learning goals,
- (c) 75 continuing competency credits consistent with the individualized learning plan and learning goals described in subparagraph (b), and
- (d) any other learning activities as directed by the quality assurance committee in accordance with paragraph (d) of the definition of “QAP cycle”;

“QAP cycle” means each five year period starting on January 1, and continuing in five year cycles thereafter, during which a registrant

- (a) completes the assessment within the first two months of the QAP cycle,
- (b) states the learning goal portion of the registrant’s individualized learning plan within the first year of the QAP cycle,
- (c) acquires 75 continuing competency credits, and
- (d) completes any other learning activities that the registrant is directed by the quality assurance committee to complete within the QAP cycle;

(2) Each registrant described in section 47 (3) must complete the QAP within the QAP cycle.

(3) Despite paragraph (a) of the definition of “QAP cycle” in subsection (1), each first-time registrant who has not been registered with the College in any previous year

- (a) must complete the assessment within 60 days of their date of registration,
- (b) has a QAP cycle that begins on January 1 of the year following the date on which the registrant first registered with the College, and
- (c) is exempt from the assessment requirement during the registrant’s first QAP cycle.

(4) Despite the definitions of “QAP” and “QAP cycle” in subsection (1), the quality assurance committee may modify, in respect of a registrant, one or more of the requirements of the QAP or QAP cycle as necessary to reasonably accommodate the registrant as required by the BC Human

Rights Code or as otherwise required by law.

(5) The quality assurance committee must establish criteria for successful completion of the assessment.

(6) Registrants who satisfy the criteria established under subsection (5) must state learning goals and a learning plan in accordance with the policy for individualized learning goals and individualized learning plans established by the quality assurance committee.

(7) Registrants who do not satisfy the criteria established under subsection (5) may be assigned an assessor appointed under section 26.1 (4) of the Act, who must

(a) assess the registrant's professional practice, and

(b) report to the quality assurance committee in respect of the assessment under paragraph

(a).

(8) Upon receipt of a report described in subsection (7) (b), the quality assurance committee may act under section 26.1 (3) of the Act in respect of that registrant.

(9) The quality assurance committee must establish policies and procedures, consistent with the bylaws, for ensuring compliance of registrants with their individualized learning plans and individualized learning goals.

(10) The quality assurance committee must establish a policy, consistent with the bylaws, governing transfer during the transfer period of registrants from the continuing competency program to the QAP, and must notify each affected registrant of that registrant's transfer date. .