**02 DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL REGULATION**

**313 STATE BOARD OF DENTAL PRACTICE**

**Chapter 3: QUALIFICATIONS FOR EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT LICENSURE**

**Summary**: This chapter sets forth the qualifications for initial licensure as an expanded function dental assistant.

**I. GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS; APPLICATION; FEES**

1. An applicant seeking licensure to practice under this chapter must submit an application with the appropriate fee, and any other materials required by the Board.
2. An applicant has 90 days after being notified of any additional materials needed to complete the application to submit those materials to the Board. Failure to complete the application within that 90-day period may result in a denial of the application.
3. Verification of passing the jurisprudence examination administered by the Board with a grade of 90 percent. Applicants who do not pass the jurisprudence examination in three attempts may be preliminarily denied licensure.
4. Verification of current certification in BLS. For purposes of meeting the BLS certification requirements, online trainings are not accepted, unless the applicant can verify hands-on participation with the instructor as a component of the training.

**II. SPECIFIC QUALIFICATIONS FOR EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT LICENSURE**

A. Verification of a high school diploma or its equivalent as determined by the Board;

B. Verification of one of the following:

(1) A current certificate as a certified dental assistant from a Board-approved program; or

(2) An active dental hygiene license in good standing issued under the laws of this State or another jurisdiction.

C. Verification of successfully completed training in a school or program in expanded function dental assisting approved by the Board.

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