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Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Board of Dentistry, Department of Health Professions
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	18VAC60-20-10 et seq.
Regulation title	Regulations Governing Dental Practice
Action title	Protocol for remote supervision for dental hygienists in Department of Health clinics
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Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

Chapter 102 of the 2012 Acts of the Assembly requires the Board of Dentistry to adopt the protocol of the Department of Health (VDH) for remote supervision by a dentist of the practice of a dental hygienist employed by VDH. Section 220 of 18VAC60-20, relating to the practice of dental hygienists, has been amended to incorporate the VDH protocol by reference.

Statement of final agency action

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On September 7, 2012, the Board of Dentistry amended 18VAC60-20-10 et seq., Regulations Governing Dental Practice.

Family impact

Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.

There is no impact on the institution of the family and family stability.