

DENTAL BOARD[650]

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b.”

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code sections 147.76, 153.33 and 153.38, the Dental Board hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 20, “Dental Assistants,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The purpose of the proposed amendment is to clarify supervision requirements in an accredited dental assisting program. The proposed rule establishes the supervision criteria that must be met when students practice clinical skills as part of their regular course of instruction.

Any interested person may make written comments on the proposed amendment on or before March 30, 2016. Such written materials should be directed to Phil McCollum, Associate Director, Iowa Dental Board, 400 S.W. Eighth Street, Suite D, Des Moines, Iowa 50309; or sent by e-mail to phil.mccollum@iowa.gov.

There will be a public hearing on March 30, 2016, at 2 p.m. in the Board office, 400 S.W. Eighth Street, Suite D, Des Moines, Iowa, at which time persons may present their views orally or in writing. The Board does not intend to grant waivers under the provisions of these rules.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 153.38 and 153.39.

The following amendment is proposed.

Adopt the following **new** rule 650—20.17(153):

650—20.17(153) Students enrolled in dental assisting programs. Students enrolled in an accredited dental assisting program are not considered to be engaged in the unlawful practice of dental assisting provided that such practice is in connection with their regular course of instruction and meets the following:

1. The practice of clinical skills on peers enrolled in the same program must be under the direct supervision of a program instructor with an active Iowa dental assistant registration, Iowa dental hygiene license, Iowa faculty permit, or Iowa dental license;
2. The practice of clinical skills on members of the public must be under the direct supervision of a dentist with an active Iowa dental license;
3. The practice of clinical skills involving expanded function procedures must be under the direct supervision of a dentist with an active Iowa dental license.