



Vermont Secretary of State
Office of Professional Regulation
Dental Therapy
VT State Jurisprudence Exam

Directions and Information:

1. This is an Open Book examination.
2. Once you have completed the exam and answer sheet please upload only the answer sheet to your online application.
3. If you receive **more than** six incorrect, you will need to retake the exam.

Vermont State Jurisprudence Exam Study Material References

The Vermont State Jurisprudence Exam has questions from the following references:

<https://sos.vermont.gov/dental-examiners/statutes-rules-resources/>

Dental Therapy State Examination Answer Sheet

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Today's Date: _____

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1. Title 26 Vermont Statutes Annotated (V.S.A.) Chapter 12 pertains to:
 - a. dental hygienists and dental therapists
 - b. dentists
 - c. dental assistants
 - d. all of the above

2. Dental renewals are due by _____ 30th, odd years.
 - a. June
 - b. April
 - c. March
 - d. September

3. According to the rules established by the Board of Dental Examiners, which types of dental assistants are registered?
 - a. traditional & certified
 - b. expanded function & certified
 - c. non-traditional
 - d. traditional, certified & expanded function

4. The license of a dentist practicing in Vermont must be:
 - a. carried with them at all times
 - b. displayed in each room of his/her practice
 - c. displayed in public view in his/her place of business
 - d. both B & C

5. According to Vermont Statutes, the Board of Dental Examiners is comprised of:
 - a. 2 dentists, 2 hygienists, 1 assistant, and 2 public members
 - b. 4 dentists, 4 hygienists, 2 assistants, and 1 public member
 - c. 6 dentists, 2 hygienists, 1 assistant, and 2 public members
 - d. 8 dentists, 4 hygienists, 2 assistants, and 1 public member

6. Any applicant applying for a dental license regardless of route to licensure must have graduated from a school of dentistry, dental college, or postgraduate specialty program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation.
 - a. true
 - b. false
7. A dentist, a dental therapist, a dental hygienist, or a dental assistant, who fails to renew a license or registration is an unlicensed practitioner and is subject to discipline until reinstated by the Board of Dental Examiners.
 - a. true
 - b. false
8. A dental therapist may supervise
 - a. only hygienists and dentists
 - b. only dental therapists
 - c. dental assistants and hygienists directly to the extent permitted in the collaborative agreement
 - d. none of the above
9. Members of the Board of Dental Examiners may not:
 - a. hold office in his/her state or local professional organizations
 - b. be on the faculty of any dental, dental therapist, dental hygiene or dental assisting school
 - c. be retired from the practice of dentistry
 - d. both A & C
10. The current length of the appointment term for a dentist to the Board of Dental Examiners is:
 - a. two years
 - b. three years
 - c. five years
 - d. seven years

11. A dental hygienist, with endorsement to administer local anesthesia, may do so:

- a. under general supervision
- b. under direct supervision
- c. without supervision
- d. with another hygienist present

12. Dental assistants may proscribe for the following procedures:

- a. mouth guards
- b. dentures
- c. bridges
- d. none of the above

14. A dental hygienist may qualify for local anesthesia privileges if he or she has:

- a. satisfactorily completed a course in local anesthesia of at least 24 hours of clinical and didactic instruction from a CODA accredited program
- b. successfully completed the CDCA/NERB local anesthesia exam
- c. submitted a certificate of course completion to the Board of Dental Examiners for its review
- d. all of the above

15. The Board of Dental Examiners has the power and the duty to:

- a. investigate all complaints and charges
- b. issue subpoenas and hold hearings
- c. set standards for anesthesia administration
- d. all of the above

16. A dental hygienist may perform:

- a. duties taught in the normal educational curriculum for dental hygienists
- b. expanded dental functions, without additional training or certification
- c. local anesthesia, without additional training or certification
- d. any and all duties assigned by the dentist

17. A dental assistant must register with the Secretary of State's Office within:

- a. 7 days from the first day of employment
- b. 30 days from the first day of employment
- c. 6 months from the first day of employment
- d. 1 year from the first day of employment

18. A dentist who employs a dental assistant, is responsible for:

- a. the professional acts of the dental assistant
- b. confirming the dental assistant is registered with the Board of Dental Examiners
- c. conduct of the dental assistant, while not working
- d. both A & B

19. A dental assistant may provide dental oral prophylaxis:

- a. if they have completed an accredited course in expanded functions
- b. if the dentist trains them in dental prophylaxis
- c. if they have been in practice for at least three years
- d. never, because it is not within their scope of practice

20. Direct supervision of a dental assistant means that the dentist must be:

- a. available by phone
- b. within 15 minutes of travel to the assistant's location
- c. readily available at the dental facility
- d. within two blocks of the dental facility

21. The Board of Dental Examiners will issue a radiographic endorsement to a traditional dental assistant who:

- a. is at least 18 years of age
- b. who has successfully completed a radiology course from a CODA accredited program
- c. has documented 6 months lawful employment as a dental assistant
- d. all of the above

22. Abandonment of a patient is:

- a. acceptable if the patient has not paid for services
- b. grounds for professional discipline
- c. acceptable upon proper written notice
- d. both A & C

23. The Board of Dental Examiners is obliged to comply with the:

- a. laws of professional regulation
- b. Open Meeting Law
- c. Public Records Act
- d. all of the above

24. A supervising dentist shall refer patients to another dentist or specialist to provide any necessary services needed by a patient that are beyond the scope of practice of the dental therapist and which the supervising dentist is unable to provide.

- a. true
- b. false

25. The performance of any intraoral tasks by a dental assistant shall be under:

- a. the direct supervision of a dentist
- b. the indirect supervision of a dentist
- c. under the general supervision of a dentist
- d. none of the above