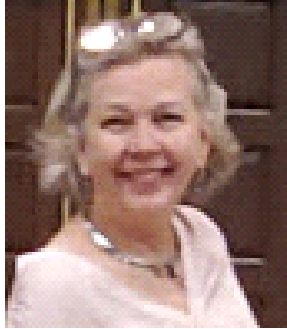


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PRESIDENT
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Greetings to All Texas Dental Assistants Association!

Dear Members,

The time has come to say Good-Bye to 2022 and Hello to 2023. There is good news in the fact that TDAA has gained new members. The sad news is that many dental assistants allowed their Texas RDA to expire, which probably exasperates the fact that there is a nationwide shortage of dental assistants, especially in Texas. However, many dental assistant schools are graduating a higher number of students and placement agencies are staying very busy. Please check the expiration date of your Texas RDA today.

The TDAA Board will be meeting virtually in January to discuss future plans for our Annual meeting in May (in addition to other topics) in San Antonio. Please save the date: May 4-6, 2023 at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center and join Dental Assistants from across the state. We will publish specific events for our Annual Session in the next newsletter—so stay tuned.

Thank you everyone for all the contributions you have made to our association. I look forward to many new years with all of you.

Best Regards,
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Congratulations!

Happy Birthday



Congrats to the Grads!!! Tip of the hat to the HCC Dental Assistant Graduates!! Best of the luck to each of you.

Happy Birthday to all the those who have celebrated a birthday since our last correspondence.



**Please keep the following
in your thoughts and Prayers**

Lori Linger 's father dealing with heart issues

Edith Kendall had issues with her heart, now dealing shingles

Loss of Betty Doss in December



How Well Do You Know TSBDE Rules?

Scoring: 13-15 Correct: Great Job
 9-12 Correct: Need to Study
 6-8 Correct: uh-oh

Question 1. How many hours of CE does a dental assistant need every year if he/she has Texas RDA and Nitrous Oxide certification?

- A. 6 hours of CE (Continuing Education)
- B. 9 hours of CE
- C. 12 hours of CE
- D. 15 hours of CE

Question 2. How many times must a dental assistant take the Human Trafficking prevention Course approved by Texas Health and Human Services Commission?

- A. Once
- B. Twice
- C. Every year
- D. Every 2 years

Question 3. How many hours of CE does a dental assistant need of “live” or “in person” courses covering dental assistant duties every year?

- A. None, he/she can take self-study courses and meet TSBDE requirements
- B. 3 hours of continuing education courses
- C. 6 hours of continuing education courses
- D. 12 hours of continuing education courses

Question 4. Direct Supervision of dental assistants is defined as:

- A. The dentist is responsible for supervising, but may or may not be present on the premises
- B. The dentist is responsible for supervising, but is in the building consulting with another dentist in another office down the hall
- C. The dentist is responsible for supervising, but is physically present in the treatment room
- D. The dentist is responsible for supervising, but is physically present in the office

Question 5. A dentist who delegates the provision of interim treatment of a minor emergency condition to a dental assistant must schedule a follow-up appoint with the patient within:

- A. 2-5 days
- B. 7-10 days
- C. 30 days
- D. 3 months

Question 6. True or False: A dental assistant registration expired for one year or more may not be renewed.

- A. True
- B. False

Question 7. A dental assistant shall display a current registration certificate, in each office where he/she exposes x-rays as delegated by a dentist and photocopies are acceptable.

- A. True
- B. False

Question 8. Initial registration periods of dental assistants will range from 18 months to:

- A. 24 months
- B. 30 months
- C. 45 months
- D. 60 months

Question 9. TSBDE approved Nitrous Oxide courses for dental auxiliaries are valid for how many years from the date of course completion to satisfy the requirements for nitrous oxide monitoring registration.

- A. 1 year
- B. 2 years
- C. 3 years
- D. 5 years

Question 10. An individual whose application for dental assistant registration/certification is denied is not eligible to file another application for registration until the expiration of _____ from the date of denial.

- A. 1 year
- B. 2 years
- C. 5 years
- D. 10 years

Question 11. True or False: A Texas-licensed dentist may delegate the application of pit and fissure sealants to a dental assistant if the dental assistant has at least one year of experience and been trained on the procedure by a dentist.

- A. True
- B. False

Question 12. True or False: A Texas-licensed dentist may delegate coronal polishing on a child and bill insurance as a prophylaxis if the dental assistant has met all the requirements set in TSBDE Rule 114.5

- A. True
- B. False

Question 13. True or False: The TSBDE shall not accept or approve specific continuing education courses for requirements related to the issuance or renewal of dental assisting registrations unless the continuing education was offered by providers approved by the Board.

- A. True
- B. False

Question 14. True or False: The dentist must induce (begin) the nitrous oxide/oxygen inhalation sedation and at least one member of the assistant staff should be present during the administration of nitrous oxide/oxygen inhalation sedation in nonemergency situations.

- A. True
- B. False

Question 15. True or False: Extracted teeth may be returned to a patient, but must be rendered non-biohazardous.

- A. True
- B. False

Quiz Answers (on a different page please)

1. A- Rule 114.12 (a)
2. D-Rule 114.12 (c)
3. B-Rule 114.12 (a)
4. D-Rule 114.1 (c) (2)
5. C- Rule 114.1 (e) (2)
6. A- Rule 114.2 (d)(3)
7. B-Rule 114.2 (g)
8. B-Rule 114.2 ©
9. D-Rule 114.4 (h)
- 10.A-Rule 114.6 (i)
- 11.B-Rule 114.3 (d)
- 12.B-Rule 114.5 ©
- 13.A-Rule 104.2 (a)
- 14.A-Rule 110.3 (3)(4)
- 15.A-Rule 108.24 (g)