

## GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

## Virgin Islands Board of Dental Examiners PO Box 222995 – Christiansted, VI 00822-2995

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## Dear Applicant:

We received your request for dental/dental hygiene licensure requirements in the U.S. Virgin Islands. The following documents are required for licensure and must be submitted for consideration:

- VI Board of Dental Examiners license application;
- Applications are reviewed Quarterly;
- An original recent color photograph of passport size autographed and across the front;
- A non-refundable application fee by certified check, bank money order or U.S. Postal money order in the amount of \$100.00, payable to Government of the Virgin Islands or one time credit card authorization payment;
- Chronology of professional activities from graduation to time of application;
- Proof of graduation from an ADA accredited school of Dentistry (copy of diploma);
- Copy of birth certificate or similar proof of age (must be twenty-one years of age or older) required;
- Two original and currently (dated) character reference letters on official letterhead;
- VI notarized non addiction form, included in application package;
- Official proof of National Board Exam (NBDE) scores sent electronically from the American Dental Association to the Board.
- Successful completion of all sections of the <u>American Dental Examination (ADEX) Clinical Exam</u>; official proof must be sent directly to Board office by mail or electronically.
- Notarized Authorization for Release of Information;
- Licensure History: List all dentist licenses currently and previously held in any US State, Territory, or the District of Columbia. Submit copy (copies) of all current state license(s);
- Primary source verification required for all state licenses <u>currently</u> and <u>previously</u> held; utilize verification form enclosed if needed;
- National Practitioner Data Bank self query;
- Pass the VI Dental license jurisprudence exam;

Mandatory background check by Professional Background Information Services (PBIS).
 Applicant is responsible for contacting PBIS to initiate processing and paying processing fees.
 PBIS contact information is as follows:

Professional Background Information Services 23460,N 19<sup>th</sup> Ave., #225 Phoenix, Arizona 85027 Telephone: 602-861-5867 -Fax: 602-861-9656

## • License by credential candidates must also meet the following criteria:

 Must be actively licensed and practicing for the last Five (5) consecutive years prior to date of application

## • Foreign trained applicants must also submit the following:

- 1. Evidence of having completed either a clinical specialty recognized by the American Dental Association, or a program in clinical dentistry resulting in a doctorate of dental surgery or a doctorate of dental medicine at an accredited school;
- 2. Pass the examination administered by the U.S. Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations of the American Dental Association:
- 3. Pass an examination designed to test the applicant's clinical skills and knowledge administered by a regional testing agency as approved by the board; and
- 4. Pass a jurisprudence examination, approved by the Board, designed to test the applicant's knowledge of the provisions of this subchapter.
- Any foreign documents must be translated to English by an official authority.
- All applicants are required to complete a fingerprinted background check.
- An application is considered complete when all required documents, background information and fees are on file with the Board's office.

## • Residency program candidates must also meet the following:

Must furnish copy of residency program acceptance letter

Additional information may be obtained from the Office of Professional Licensure & Health Planning by emailing  $\,$ .

Sincerely,

VI Board of Dental Examiners



## VIRGIN ISLANDS BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE

Print Full Name		
Last	Name, First Name & Middle Name	
(Please check one)	DENTIST orDENT	TAL HYGIENIST
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Mailing Address		
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Home Phone	Cell Phone	Other
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Dental School	Locati	ion
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If employed, give name	and address of employer	

(If "Yes" attach explanation)				
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Signatures are required) Not fewer than three citizens unrelated to applicant who must be licensed in the profession for which an applicant wishes to be examined or who are members of the staff of the professional school.)

Mail Application to: V.I. Board of Dental Examiners:

VI Department of Health

PO Box 222995

Christiansted, V.I. 00822-2995



## AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

In order for the Virgin Islands Board of Dental Examiners to assess and verify my educational background and professional qualifications, I hereby authorize the Board to:

- make inquiries concerning such information about me to my employers (past and present), hospital(s), institution(s) or organization(s), my references, all governmental agencies and instrumentalities (local, state, federal or foreign);
- authorize the release of such information and copies of related records and documents to the Virgin Islands Board of Dental Examiners;
- authorize the Board to disclose to such persons, employers, hospitals, institutions, organizations, references, governmental agencies and instrumentalities identifying and other information about me sufficient to enable the Board to make such inquiries;
- release from liability all persons who provide information to the Virgin Islands Board of Dental Examiners in good faith and without malice in response to such inquiries.

Signature		Date	
Print Name			
Subscribed and sworn to before me this	day of	20	
Notary Public		_	
My Commission Expires		-	



## **VERIFICATION OF LICENSURE**

APPLICANT IS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THIS SECTION OF THE FORM AND MAIL TO EACH STATE BOARD IN WHICH HE/SHE ARE NOW OR HAVE EVER BEEN LICENSED TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY. IF NEEDED, YOU MAY MAKE ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THIS FORM.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am being considered for Dental/Dental Hygiene licensure in the Territory of the U.S. Virgin Islands. The V.I. Board of Dental Examiners requires that this form be completed by each state in which, I am now or have ever been licensed to practice my profession. Enclosed is my authorization for release of information. <u>Please mail this form directly to: VI Board of Dental Examiners at PO Box 222995- Christiansted, VI 00822-2995.</u>

Applicant's Signature	Date
Print Name	
	My License No. in your State:
	E COMPLETED AND SIGNED BY AN OFFICIAL OF THE STATE BOARD CTLY TO THE VI BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS.
State of:	
Full Name of Licensee:	
License No.:	Issuance Date:
	license for the last five (5) consecutive years? (If NO, furnish details).  YES
Is license current and in goo	d standing? If No furnish details

Has any disciplinary action ever been taken against the above named Dentist/Dental Hygienist? If		
YES, furnish details.		
Comments, if any:		
	Signed:	
BOARD SEAL	Title:	
	State Board:	
		Date:

## LICENSURE HISTORY

STATE	LICENSE #	DATES	CURRENT STATUS



### **GOVERNMENT OF**

## THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH VIRGIN ISLANDS BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS PO BOX 222995 – CHRISTIANSTED, VI 00822-2995 Ph. 340-718-1311 XT 3647 (STX) 340-774-7477 XT 5694 (STT)

## **NOTARIZED NON-ADDICTION AFFIDAVIT**

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# VIRGIN ISLANDS BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS <u>JURISPRUDENCE EXAM</u>

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	Т	or	F	1."Dental assistant" means a person who ma as authorized by this subchapter under direct		•
	Т	or	F	2. "Dental hygiene" or "practice of supervis dentistry that includes the rendering of educ- services in general, but specifically, diagnos related intraoral or extra-oral procedure requ	ational, preventive ar is, scaling, root plani	nd therapeutic dental ng, curettage and any
	Т	or	F	3. "Direct supervision" means the supervision not require the presence of the dentist in the dentist's presence on the premises and availate evaluation.	room where perform	ed but require the
	Т	or	F	4. The Board has the duty of determining a and fitness for the practice of dentistry or de unprofessional, improper, incompetent, unla practice of dentistry or dental hygiene, and discharge this duty in accordance with this s	ntal hygiene, of proc wful, fraudulent, dec of enforcing this subc	eeding against the eptive or unlicensed

T or F	<ul> <li>5. An applicant for a license to practice dentistry who is a graduate of a foreign dental school not accredited by the joint commission on dental accreditation shall: <ul> <li>Present evidence of having completed either a clinical specialty recognized by the American Dental Association, or a program in clinical dentistry resulting in a doctorate of dental surgery or a doctorate of dental medicine at an accredited dental school;</li> <li>Pass the examination administered by the U.S. Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations of The American Dental Association;</li> <li>Pass an examination designed to test the applicant's clinical skills and knowledge administered by a regional testing agency as approved by the Board; and</li> <li>Pass a jurisprudence examination, approved by the Board, designed to test the applicant's knowledge of the provisions of this subchapter.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
T or F	6. License Requirements. Every person who desires to practice dental hygiene in this Territory shall file with the Board an application for a license on a form provided by the Board, verified by the oath of the applicant, and accompanied by a reasonable fee as established by the regulations of the Board.
T or F	7. Three members of the Board constitute a quorum.
T or F	8. The Board may issue a license to practice dental hygiene, by credentials, without a practical or clinical examination to an applicant who is duly licensed by a clinical examination as a dental hygienist under the laws of a state or territory of the United States.
T or F	9. Licenses must be renewed or reinstated pursuant to a schedule established by the Board by regulations. The Board may by regulations establish renewal fees, delinquency fees and continuing education requirements for renewal and reinstatement. If a person fails to renew the license pursuant to the schedule established by the Board, the license expires. Any person whose license has expired and continues to practice is subject to the penalties provided in this subchapter.
T or F	10. Any dentist or dental hygienist who wishes to retire from the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene shall meet all requirements for retirement as set forth in regulations by  Board and the committee. The licensee shall notify the Board in writing before the expiration of the licensee's current license, and the Board shall acknowledge and record the receipt of notice. If, within a period of three years from the date of retirement, the dentist or dental hygienist wishes to resume practice, the applicant shall so notify the Board in writing and give proof of completing all requirements as prescribed by regulations of the Board to reactivate the license. The Board may reactivate the license and the licensee may resume the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene in accordance with the regulations of the Board.
T or F	11. Ownership of dental practice - limitations. Only a dentist licensed to practice dentistry in the Territory pursuant to this subchapter may be the proprietor of a dental practice in the Territory. A corporate entity that has a dental practice or dental office in the Territory must be owned by a dentist licensed pursuant to this subchapter who owns at least a majority interest in that corporate entity.

	12. Practicing without a license; penalty.
	<ul> <li>Any person who practices dentistry or who attempts to practice dentistry</li> </ul>
	without first complying with the provisions of this subchapter or without
	being the holder of a license entitling the practitioner to practice
	dentistry in the Territory is guilty of a misdemeanor for the first offense.
	Subsequent offenses constitute a misdemeanor. Each occurrence of
	practicing dentistry or attempting to practice dentistry without
	complying with this subchapter constitutes a separate violation.
	Any person who practices as a dental hygienist or who attempts to
	practice as a dental hygienist without first complying with the
T or F	provisions of this subchapter and without being the holder of a license
1 01 1	entitling the practitioner to practice as a dental hygienist in the Territory
	is guilty of a misdemeanor for the first offense. Subsequent offenses
	constitute a felony. Each occurrence of practicing as a dental hygienist
	or attempting to practice as a dental hygienist without complying with
	this subchapter constitutes a separate violation.
	A person or entity that functions or attempts to function as a dental
	practice without first complying with the provisions of this chapter is
	guilty of a misdemeanor. A subsequent offense constitutes a felony.
	Each occurrence of noncompliance with this chapter constitutes a
	separate violation.
	13. Practicing without a license; penalty.
	Any person who practices dentistry or who attempts to
	practice dentistry without first complying with the
	provisions of this subchapter or without being the holder of
	a license entitling the practitioner to practice dentistry in
	the Territory is guilty of a misdemeanor for the first
	offense. Subsequent offenses constitute a felony. Each
	occurrence of practicing dentistry or attempting to practice
	dentistry without complying with this subchapter
	constitutes a separate violation.
	Any person who practices as a dental hygienist or who
	attempts to practice as a dental hygienist without first
	complying with the provisions of this subchapter and
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	practitioner to practice as a dental hygienist in the Territory
	is guilty of a misdemeanor for the first offense. Subsequent
	offenses constitute a felony. Each occurrence of practicing
	as a dental hygienist or attempting to practice as a dental
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	subsequent offense constitutes a felony. Each occurrence of
	noncompliance with this chapter constitutes a separate
1	violation.

T or F	14. The Board may summarily suspend a license prior to a formal hearing when it determines such action is required due to imminent threat to public health and safety. The Board may summarily suspend a license by means of a vote conducted by telephone conference call or other electronic means if a simple majority of the membership determines such prompt action is required. Proceedings for a formal hearing must be instituted simultaneously with the summary suspension.
T or F	15. Procedures for enforcement of disciplinary action. The Board may commence legal action to enforce the provisions of this subchapter and may exercise full discretion and authority with respect to disciplinary actions.
T or F	16. Professional Misconduct. The Board may refuse to license, otherwise restrict a license, or suspend or revoke a license that has been issued by the Board and may fine, censure or reprimand a licensee upon satisfactory proof that the applicant for or holder of the license is guilty of unprofessional or dishonorable conduct.
T or F	17. Professional Misconduct. The Board may in its discretion and for good cause shown, for protection of the public, for the purpose of rehabilitation of the licensee or both, place the licensee on probation on such terms and conditions as it determines. Upon expiration of the term of probation, further proceedings may be abated by the Board if the holder of the license furnishes the Board with evidence that the licensee is competent to practice, is of good moral character and has complied with the terms of probation.

## **MULTIPLE CHOICE:**

### 18. Direct supervision means

- the supervision of those tasks or procedures that require the presence of the dentist in the room where performed.
- the supervision of those tasks or procedures that do not require the presence of the dentist in
  the room where performed but require the dentist's presence on the premises and availability
  for prompt consultation, treatment and evaluation.
- The supervision of those tasks or procedures that do not require the presence of the dentist in the room where performed but require the dentist's knowledge of what is to be done.

### 19. Indirect supervision means

- a. The supervision of those tasks or procedures that do not require the presence of the dentist in the office or on the premises at the time such tasks or procedures are being performed, but do require that the tasks be performed with the prior knowledge and consent of the dentist
- b. The supervision of those tasks or procedures that do not require the dentist in the room where performed but require the dentist's knowledge of what is to be done
- c. The supervision of those tasks or procedures that do not require the presence of the dentist in the room where performed but require the dentist's presence on the premises and availability for prompt consultation, treatment and evaluation.

#### 20. Inactive licenses must be:

- reactivated or permanently retired within two years of having been placed in inactive status.
- reactivated or permanently retired within six years of having been placed in inactive status.
- reactivated or permanently retired within five years of having been placed in inactive status.