

**3100.3300 EXAMINATION OF DENTISTS.**

Subpart 1. **Scope.** The act provides that the examination of applicants for a license to practice dentistry in this state shall be sufficiently thorough to test the fitness of the applicant to practice dentistry.

Subp. 2. **National board examination.** An applicant must pass a national board examination. At the discretion of the board, a dentist who has lawfully practiced dentistry in another state for five years may be exempted from taking a national board examination.

Subp. 3. **Additional written examination content.** An applicant shall be examined for general knowledge of the act, the rules of the board, and the Minnesota Professional Firms Act. Additional written theoretical examinations may be administered by the board for licensure.

Subp. 4. **Diagnosis and treatment examination.** A dentist applicant may be examined in oral diagnosis and treatment planning. The examination shall be formulated to test the applicant's ability to recognize and institute treatment of common oral pathologic conditions as well as to test knowledge, understanding, and judgment relative to all types of dental health service.

Subp. 4a. **Additional education for two failed clinical examinations.** When an applicant fails twice any part of the clinical examination required by Minnesota Statutes, section 150A.06, subdivision 1, the applicant may not take it again until the applicant successfully completes additional education provided by an institution accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation. The education must cover all of the subject areas failed by the applicant in each of the two clinical examinations. The applicant may retake the examination only after the institution provides to the board information specifying the areas failed in the previous examinations and the instruction provided to address the areas failed, and certifies that the applicant has successfully completed the instruction. The applicant must take the additional instruction required in this subpart each time the applicant fails the clinical examination twice.

Subp. 5. **Examination for continued licensure.** The board may administer any other examination it deems necessary to determine qualification for continued licensure.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 150A.04; 150A.06; 150A.08; 150A.09; 150A.10; 150A.11; 214.06*

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