

21 NCAC 16I .0206 CONTINUING EDUCATION ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH

(a) Every two calendar years, each dental hygienist shall complete one clock hour of continuing education on substance abuse and mental health. To count toward this requirement, the course shall be:

- (1) designed to address relevant issues for dental professionals, including substance abuse, chemical dependency, impairment, and mental health disorders; and
- (2) offered by a Board-approved sponsor as set out in Rule .0202(b) of this Section.

(b) The continuing education requirement set out in Paragraph (a) of this Rule may be completed through a self-study course that satisfies Subparagraphs (a)(1) and (2) of this Rule. The dental hygienist shall pass a test administered by the self-study course sponsor and obtain a certificate of completion from the sponsor.

(c) Every two calendar years, a dental hygienist may apply one clock hour of a course meeting the requirements of this Rule toward the total number of continuing education hours required pursuant to Rule .0201(a) of this Section.

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