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Hygiene Duty Table

	RDH	RDHEF
Anesthetic, local admin with BDB recognized course	D	D
Arch wires- place and ligate	G	G
Arch wires-remove	G	G
Bands, size to tooth ortho or other	G	G
Bands, check for looseness ortho or other	G	G
Bands, remove ortho or other	G	G
Bands, cement ortho or other	D	D
Bite registrations-diagnostic	G	G
Bite Registration-with final impression	G	G
Cement removal subg with floss or hand instrument	G	G
Cement removal suprag with floss or hand instrument	G	G
Cement removal with ultrasonic scaler ortho or other	G	G
Cord placement for gingival retraction	D	D
Coronal polishing of teeth absent of calculus	G	G
Crowns- temporary size stainless steel / prefabricated	G	G
Crowns-temporary cementation and removal	G	G
Crowns-temporary intra oral fabrication	G	G
Curing restorative materials with a light	D	D
Curing ortho materials with a light	G	G
Endodontic-dry canals with absorbent points	N	N
Endodontic-make cast patterns for post and cores	N	N
Endodontic-trial fit filling points	N	N
Etching for bonded restorations	D	D
Exam w/mirror-chart lesions, fillings & missing teeth	G	G
Exam-chart perio, extra-oral,occlusion class, myofunct	G	G
Fluoride application after scale and polish	G	G
Impressions-space maintainer, ortho appliance	G	G
Impressions-whitening trays, sport guards	G	G
Impressions for cast restorations	N	N
Impressions for diagnostic and opposing models	G	G
Impressions for occlusal guards &/or TMJD appliance	G	G
Impressions for temporary crowns and bridges	G	G
Irrigate subgingivally with antimicrobials or antibiotic	G	G

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Ligature tie removal	D	D
Liners placed on sound dentin	N	D
Matrices- hold anterior	D	D
Matrices- Place wedge or remove	D	D
Nitrous oxide and oxygen administration w/certification	D	D
Nitrous oxide sedation assist	D	D
Oral exfoliative cytology	G	G
Orthodontic appliances, examine	G	G
Orthodontic procedures, take intraoral measurements	G	G
Orthodontic retainers&head gear-seat, adjust, instruct use	D G	D G
Orthodontic separators- place elastic	G	G
Orthodontic separators- place other than elastic	G	G
Orthodontic separators-remove	G	G
Periodontal dressing, place	G	G
Periodontal dressing, remove	G	G
Periodontal soft tissue curettage	G	G
Post extraction dressing, place	G	G
Post extraction dressing, remove	G	G
Post extraction or periodontal surgery suture placement	N	N
Post extraction or periodontal surgery suture removal	G	G
Pulp vitality testing-electronic only	N	D
Radiographic equipment operation with approved course	G	G
Restoration fillings, contour & polish	N	D
Restorations, permanent-place or carve	N	N
Rootplaning and subgingival scaling	G	G
Rubber dam placement and removal	G	G
Scanning for final crowns or bridges	N	N
Scanning for ortho models or opposing models	G	G
Screening for oral health	G	G
Sealants, pit and fissure-air abrasion preparation	N	D
Sealants, pit and fissure-fissurotomy with handpiece	N	N
Sealants, pit and fissure-place with etch and bond	G	G

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Sealants, pit and fissure—remove with scaler	G	G
Stain removal	G	G
Temporary sedative dressings placement ie. treat dry socket	D	D
Topical agents ie desensitizing varnishes or gels	G	G
Topical agents in conjunction to prophylaxis	G	G
Whitening Agents-application to vital teeth in office	G	G

* WITH APPROPRIATE TRAINING AND/OR CERTIFICATION.

N-Not permitted

D-Direct supervision (supervising dentist must be present, on the premises, and available to assist if necessary)

G-General supervision (as long as a work order has been given, the supervising dentist does not necessarily have to be on premises during the procedure)

RDH-Registered Dental Hygienist

RDHEF- Registered Dental Hygienist with Certification

All procedures performed by a dental auxiliary must be directed by a work order from the supervising dentist. This implies that the dentist has examined the patient and is aware of their current condition.

Direct supervision is defined as supervision where the dentist is in the office and has seen the patient.

Indirect (or general) supervision is where the dentist is in the office, or has examined the patient within the last 3 years and has given a work order for an allowed procedure. They must be available for contact or have arranged for another dentist to cover for them.

In practical terms this means a task assigned to general/indirect supervision can be performed without the dentist being in the office if that dentist has examined the patient within 2 years. The dentist who gave the work order can pass the coverage responsibility to another dentist if they have done the exam. New patients cannot be seen without the dentist's presence and a dentist cannot give a work order without seeing a patient.

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