



April 24, 2024

Ms. Casey Nichols Executive Director and Board Members
Texas State Board of Dental Examiners
1801 Congress Avenue, Suite 8.600
Austin, TX 78701
Re: Proposed Rule 115.10 Administration of Local Infiltration of Anesthesia by Dental Hygienists

Dear Ms. Nichols and Board Members of the TSBDE,

The Texas Society of Periodontists board has reviewed 3/22/2024 proposed rules regarding §115.10 Administration of Local Infiltration of Anesthesia by Dental Hygienists. We appreciate the opportunity to review and provide our input regarding the most recent version of the rule.

We are submitting this letter to support the updated proposed rule. Specifically, we appreciate the change of continuing education requirement in line item (f)(1) to a proposed 2 hours from the original 6-hour requirement every 2 years.

We believe the proposed rule preserves the value of maintaining the TSBDE's mission to prioritize the health, safety, and superior quality dental care for the public. We appreciate the TSBDE's consideration and efforts in creating this new rule.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Sara A. Bender'.

Sara A. Bender, DDS, MS

President, Texas Society Periodontists