

**TITLE 16. DENTAL HYGIENE BOARD OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**

**PROPOSED LANGUAGE**

**LEGEND**

<b><u>Underlined</u></b>	<b>Indicates proposed regulatory language.</b>
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Adopt Section 1118 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR)  
to read as follows:

**§1118 Registered Dental Hygienists in Alternative Practice, Performance of Soft  
Tissue Curettage and Administration of Local Anesthesia**

A licensed registered dental hygienist in alternative practice (RDHAP) may perform soft  
tissue curettage and administer local anesthesia in accordance with the provisions of  
this section. The RDHAP shall:

- (a) Consult with a California licensed dentist to authorize the use of soft tissue curettage  
or local anesthesia for each patient to be treated by the RDHAP in local anesthesia  
or soft tissue curettage. The consultation shall be documented in the patient's chart  
and include, without limitation, the date of consultation, name of consulting dentist,  
and the consulting dentist's California license number.
- (b) Have the physical presence on the premises of one additional individual trained in  
basic life support and qualified to administer cardiopulmonary resuscitation during an  
emergency when soft tissue curettage or local anesthesia administration will take  
place. For the purpose of section 1926.01(b) "immediately available" means physical  
presence.
- (c) Have access to portable oxygen administration equipment to assist with  
administration of basic life support.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 1905 and 1906, Business and Professions Code.  
Reference cited: Section 1926.01, Business and Professions Code.