RULE-MAKING ORDER

Agency: Department of Health - Dental Quality Assurance Commission

Effective date of rule:
- Permanent Rules
  - 31 days after filing.
  - Other (specify) (If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?
- Yes
- No

Purpose: WAC 246-817-160 Graduates of non-accredited dental schools. The adopted rule amends education requirements for graduates of non-accredited dental schools to clarify that after July 1, 2018, education must contain clinical education and be Commission on Dental Accreditation accredited. The rule also clarifies when examination eligibility will be authorized.

Citation of existing rules affected by this order:
- Repealed: None
- Amended: WAC 246-817-160
- Suspended: None

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 18.32.002 and RCW 18.32.0365

PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)
Adopted under notice filed as WSR 16-12-048 on 05/25/2016 (date).
Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version: None

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WAC 246-817-160  Graduates of nonaccredited schools.  (1) An applicant for Washington state dental licensure, who is a graduate of a dental school or college not accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation shall provide to the Dental Quality Assurance Commission (commission):

(a) Materials listed in WAC 246-817-110 (1) (and) (3), (5) through (8), and (10) through (13);

(b) Official school transcript or diploma with dental degree listed transcribed to English if necessary;

(c) Evidence of successful completion of at least two additional predoctoral or postdoctoral academic years of dental education.

(i) Additional predoctoral or postdoctoral dental education completed prior to July 1, 2018, must be obtained at a dental school approved under WAC 246-817-110(2) in the United States or Canada, approved, conditionally or provisionally, by the Commission on Dental Accreditation.

(ii) Additional predoctoral or postdoctoral dental education completed after July 1, 2018, must be obtained in a dental program in the United States or Canada, approved, conditionally or provisionally, by the Commission on Dental Accreditation and include clinical training; and

(d) An applicant for Washington state dental licensure must provide proof of successful completion of an approved:

(i) Practical/clinical examination; or

(ii) Qualifying postgraduate residency program, approved by or administered under the direction of the commission authorized in RCW 18.32.040.

(2) Upon completion of the requirements in subsection (1)(a) through (c) of this section, an applicant may be eligible to take the practical examination as approved in WAC 246-817-120 (2) through (4).

(a) The commission may issue examination approval up to six months before an applicant has completed the two additional predoctoral or postdoctoral academic years of dental education.

(b) An applicant must provide a letter from the school where the two additional predoctoral or postdoctoral academic years is being obtained indicating expected date of education completion.