

South Dakota State Board of Dentistry's
Local Anesthetic Reversal Agent Declaratory Ruling

Understanding that SDAR 20:43:04:06 authorizes a dental hygienist to “administer local anesthesia under direct supervision of a dentist after providing documentation to the board showing successful passage of a course that has been approved by the board on local anesthesia from an accredited dental or dental hygiene school.”

Realizing that although it would have the reverse effect, administering a local anesthetic reversal agent would be an identical procedure to administering local anesthesia, involving identical instrumentation, technique and supplies.

Be it resolved, that the South Dakota State Board of Dentistry determines that SDAR 20:43:04:06 would authorize dental hygienists already properly trained, qualified and licensed with the South Dakota State Board of Dentistry to administer local anesthesia, to administer a local anesthetic reversal agent under the same circumstances and level of supervision required for local anesthesia.

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