

New Hampshire Board of Dental Examiners
Declaratory Ruling: Use of Silver Diamine Fluoride

This declaratory ruling is issued to the Petitioner with respect to the particular circumstances and facts discussed herein and represents a holding of the Board on those circumstances and facts for Petitioner only.

BACKGROUND

On March 7, 2016, Robert Keene, DMD appeared before the Board of Dental Examiners ("Board") seeking an answer regarding the use of Silver Diamine Fluoride ("SDF"). The Board considered his appearance and his submitted documents as a petition for declaratory ruling, pursuant to Den 214.01. On March 7, 2016, the Board voted to issue the following declaratory ruling.

FACTS AND LAW

Den 402.01 (a)(6) provides as follows:

Den 402.01 Hygienists' Duties: A dental hygienist shall perform the following duties:

(a) Under general supervision, as defined in Den 101.11 and arranged by degree of supervision in Den 302.02:

(6) Apply topical preventive or prophylactic agents such as non-prescription antimicrobial agents;

Dr. Keene asked the Board to approve the use of SDF by anyone presently qualified to administer fluoride. He presented documentation referencing clinical trials which document the arrest and prevention of dental caries by SDF.

DECLARATORY RULING

At its March 7, 2016 meeting, the Board voted that Silver Diamine Fluoride is included in those substances listed in Den 402.01(a)(6).

Voted as approved by the Board on April 4, 2016.

Signature: 
Constance N. Stratton, Executive Director
Authorized Representative for the Board