Initial Licensure Examination Requirements	**PGY1** - Beginning January 1, 2007, all applicants for initial licensure must complete an approved clinically-based dental residency program of at least one year's duration. A clinical (practical) examination such as NERB/CDCA will not be accepted for initial licensure after December 31, 2006. Source: New York Code Rules and Regulations, Title 8, Part 61, §61.18. Residency program requirement for dental licensure
Original Licensure Requirements	**New York Statutes, Title VIII, Article 133** **§6604 Requirements for a license as a dentist.** To qualify for a license as a dentist, an applicant shall fulfill the following requirements: 1. Application: file an application with the department; 2. Education: have received an education, including a doctoral degree in dentistry, in accordance with the commissioner's regulations; 3. Experience: have experience satisfactory to the board and in accordance with the commissioner's regulations, provided that such experience shall consist of satisfactory completion of a clinically-based postdoctoral general practice or specialty dental residency program, of at least one year's duration, in a hospital or dental facility accredited for teaching purposes by a national accrediting body approved by the department, provided, further that any such residency program shall include a formal outcome assessment evaluation of the resident's competence to practice dentistry acceptable to the department; 4. Examination: pass a written examination satisfactory to the board and in accordance with the commissioner's regulations; 5. Age: be at least twenty-one years of age; 6. Citizenship or immigration status: be a United States citizen or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States; provided, however, that the board of regents may grant a three year waiver for an alien to practice in an area which has been designated a federal dental health professions shortage area, except that the board of regents may grant an additional extension not to exceed six years to an alien to enable him or her to secure citizenship or permanent resident status, provided such status is being actively pursued; 7. Character: be of good moral character as determined by the department; and 8. Fees: pay a fee of two hundred twenty dollars to the department for admission to a department conducted examination and for an initial license, a fee of one hundred fifteen dollars for each reexamination, a fee of one hundred thirty-five dollars for an initial license for persons not requiring admission to a department conducted examination, and a fee of two hundred ten dollars for each triennial registration period. **New York Code Rules and Regulations, Title 8, Part 61, Dentistry** **§61.1 Professional study of dentistry.** a. To meet the professional education requirement, the applicant shall present evidence of the completion of not less than 60 semester hours of preprofessional education including courses in general chemistry, organic chemistry, biology or zoology and physics and a program of professional education consisting of either: 1. the completion of a program of dental education of not less than four academic years, or the equivalent thereof, registered by the department or accredited by an accrediting organization acceptable to the department; or

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2. the completion of not less than four academic years of dental education satisfactory to the department, culminating in a degree, diploma or certificate in dentistry recognized by the appropriate civil authorities of the country in which the school is located as acceptable for entry into, practice in the country in which the school is located.

b. Where a program of dental education is completed in an unregistered and unaccredited foreign dental school as provided in paragraph (a)(2) of this section, the applicant shall complete not less than two academic years of study satisfactory to the department in a registered or accredited dental school program including such subjects as may be necessary for certification by such registered or accredited school that the candidate has achieved the level of knowledge and clinical proficiency expected of a graduate of the school.

c. Courses failed in a school of dentistry, for which credit has been granted toward meeting the requirements of another school of dentistry may not be counted toward meeting the requirements of this Part.

d. A program of dental education shall be considered completed upon certification of completion by the school in which such program was taken and proof that the applicant has been awarded the appropriate dental degree, diploma or certificate.

a. **§61.2 Licensing examination.**
Individuals, who on or before December 31, 2006 have completed all the education requirements for licensure and by that date have submitted an application for licensure and the required application fee, shall meet the examination requirements of this subdivision. Individuals who do not meet these conditions shall meet the examination requirements of subdivision (b) of this section.

1. Content. The examination shall consist of three parts:
   i. Parts I and II. Designed to sample knowledge from all areas related to dentistry.
   ii. Part III. An examination in clinical dentistry, the scope and content of which shall be determined by the State Board for Dentistry.
2. The department may accept grades acceptable to the State Board for Dentistry on an examination of the National Board Dental Examinations as meeting the requirements of Parts I and II of the licensing examination, and satisfactory performance on the clinical examination administered by the Northeast Regional Board of Dental Examiners or another acceptable clinical testing agency for Part III of the licensing examination.
3. To be admitted to Part III of the dental licensing examination a candidate who possesses acceptable credentials pursuant to section 61.1(a)(2) of this Part shall provide evidence satisfactory to the department of having passed Parts I and II of the dental licensing examination.
4. Special examination conditions.
   i. An applicant who has completed not less than two academic years in a program of dental education registered by the department, or accredited by an accrediting organization acceptable to the department may be admitted to Part I of the examination. Such applicant shall meet all requirements for admission to

	the licensing examination, except for the completion of professional education. ii. An applicant attending a program of dental education registered by the department, or accredited by an accrediting organization acceptable to the department, may be admitted to Parts II and III during the last year of study. 5. Candidates seeking admission to Part III of the dental licensing examination shall be required to show proof of professional liability insurance coverage prior to commencement of the examination. 6. Passing score. The passing score in each subject of each part shall be 75.0, as determined by the State Board for Dentistry. 7. A candidate who fails to pass any subject of Part III shall retain credit for subjects of that Part passed and shall be reexamined in all remaining subjects at each subsequent examination, except that a candidate who fails to pass all subjects during three administrations of Part III shall be required to be examined in the entire Part at a subsequent administration. Before admission to the third administration of Part III may be granted, such candidate shall present evidence satisfactory to the department of the completion of not less than 40 clock hours of instruction acceptable to the State Board for Dentistry in each subject failed twice. Such instruction shall be completed in a dental school registered by the department or accredited by an accrediting organization acceptable to the department and shall be completed subsequent to the second failure. 8. It shall be the responsibility of each candidate to obtain patients for applicable subjects of Part III. 9. In accordance with section 6604(4) of the Education Law, individuals, who on or before December 31, 2006 have completed all the education requirements for licensure and by that date have submitted an application for licensure and the required application fee, may substitute successful completion of a residency program that meets the requirements of section 61.18 of this Part in lieu of successful completion of Part III, the examination in clinical dentistry. b. Individuals who do not meet the conditions prescribed in the opening paragraph of subdivision (a) of this section shall meet the examination requirements of this subdivision. 1. Content. The examination shall consist of two parts designed to sample the knowledge from all areas related to dentistry. 2. The department may accept grades acceptable to the State Board for Dentistry on an examination of the National Board Dental Examinations as meeting the requirements of Parts I and II of the licensing examination. 3. Special examination conditions. i. An applicant who has completed not less than two academic years in a program of dental education registered by the department, or accredited by an accrediting organization acceptable to the department may be admitted to Part I of the examination. Such applicant shall meet all requirements for admission to

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the licensing examination, except for the completion of professional education.

ii. An applicant attending a program of dental education registered by the department, or accredited by an accrediting organization acceptable to the department, may be admitted to Part II during the last year of study.

4. Passing score. The passing score in each subject of each part shall be 75.0, as determined by the State Board for Dentistry.

§61.18 Residency program requirement for dental licensure.

a. Definitions. As used in this section:

1. Acceptable national accrediting body means until December 31, 2006 the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, and thereafter it means an organization accepted by the department as a reliable authority for the purpose of accreditation of dental residency programs, applying its criteria for granting accreditation in a fair, consistent, and nondiscriminatory manner, such as the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, its successors, or an equivalent organization as determined by the department.

2. Competent to practice dentistry means the level of knowledge and skills necessary to perform safely and independently the practice of dentistry consistent with the definition of the practice of dentistry in section 6601 of the Education Law.

b. Residency program. To be acceptable to the department for purposes of licensure under section 6604 of the Education Law, a residency program shall meet the requirements of this section.

1. The residency program shall be a postdoctoral dental residency program in either general dentistry, or a specialty of dentistry as defined in paragraph (2) of this subdivision, of at least one year's duration in a hospital or facility accredited for teaching purposes by an acceptable national accrediting body, which is completed successfully by the applicant prior to the submission to the department of the application for licensure.

2. The accredited residency program in a specialty of dentistry shall be in the specialty of endodontics, oral and maxillofacial surgery, orthodontics and dentofacial orthopedics, pediatric dentistry, periodontics, prosthodontics, oral and maxillofacial pathology, oral and maxillofacial radiology, dental anesthesiology, dental public health, orofacial pain, oral medicine, or another specialty of dentistry, as determined by the department.

3. The accredited residency program shall include a formal written outcome assessment which is acceptable to the department, which shall include a written statement by the residency program director attesting that the applicant has successfully completed the accredited residency program as defined in this section, and is, in the director's judgment, competent to practice general dentistry or a specialty of dentistry.

c. A residency program that has not met the requirements of this section shall not be acceptable to the department for purposes of licensure under this section. A formal written outcome assessment shall not be acceptable to the department for purposes of licensure under this section if it does not meet the requirements of paragraph (b)(3) of this section.

d. In accordance with subdivision (5) of section 6605 of the Education Law, not later than 60 days after entry into an acceptable residency program, and annually thereafter for the duration of such residency program, the dental resident shall register on a form acceptable to the department and pay to the

	department a residency registration fee in the amount prescribed for limited permit fees in subdivision (4) of section 6605 of the Education Law.
License by Credential/ Endorsement	New York Code Rules and Regulations, Title 8, Part 61, Dentistry **§61.4 License as a dentist by endorsement.** a. For endorsement of a dental license issued by another jurisdiction of the United States or a Canadian province the applicant shall submit satisfactory evidence of: 1. having met all requirements of section 59.6 of this Subchapter; and 2. lawful and reputable practice in dentistry or not less than eight months during the two years next preceding the filing of the application.

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	§59.6 License by endorsement. An applicant for endorsement of a license issued by another jurisdiction shall establish that the applicant: meets all requirements of section 6506 (6) of the Education Law; has had satisfactory professional experience of at least two years following initial licensure, unless a different period is provided in the regulations pertaining to a particular profession; and has not attempted unsuccessfully a licensing examination used by the State of New York either prior to or after making application for licensure by endorsement, unless such applicant has later passed a comparable licensing examination.
Specialty Practice	Rules of the Board of Regents § 29.5 Special provisions for the professions of dentistry and dental hygiene. Unprofessional conduct in the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene shall include all conduct prohibited by Sections 29.1 and 29.2 of this Part except as provided in this section, and shall also include the following: a. Failing to comply with a signed agreement to practice dentistry in New York State in an area designated by the Commissioner of Education as having a shortage of dentists or refusing to repay dental education costs in lieu of such required service, or failing to comply with any provision of a written agreement with the State or any municipality within which the licensee has agreed to provide dental service, or refusing to repay funds in lieu of such service as consideration of awards made by the State or any municipality thereof for his or her professional education in dentistry, or failing to comply with any agreement entered into to aid his or her dental education. **b. Claiming professional superiority or special professional abilities, attainments, methods or resources, except that a practitioner who has completed a program of specialty training approved by the Board of Regents in a specialty recognized as such by the Board of Regents, or who can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the department the completion of the substantial equivalent of such a program, may advertise or otherwise indicate the specialty. A practitioner who has completed all of the requirements for specialty qualification except an examination may advertise or otherwise indicate the additional training which has been acquired. The phrase practice limited to shall be deemed a claim of special professional abilities, and may be used only by dentists who have completed specialty training satisfactory to the department or dentists who have restricted their practice to a dental specialty prior to January 1, 1979. This subdivision shall apply in addition to Section 29.1(b)(12)(i)(f) of this Part.**
Continuing Education	New York Statutes, Title VIII, Article 133 **§6604-A Mandatory continuing education for dentists.** 1. a. Each dentist, licensed pursuant to this article, required to register triennially with the department to practice in this state shall comply with the provisions of the mandatory continuing education requirements, except as set forth in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this subdivision. Dentists who do not satisfy the mandatory continuing education requirements shall not practice until they have met such requirements and have been issued a registration or conditional registration certificate. b. Dentists shall be exempt from the mandatory continuing education requirement for the triennial registration period during which they are first licensed. In accordance with the intent of this section, adjustments to the mandatory continuing

education requirement may be granted by the department for reasons of health, certified by a physician, for extended active duty with the armed forces of the United States, or for other good cause acceptable to the department which may prevent compliance.

c. A licensed dentist not engaged in public practice as an individual practitioner, a partner of a partnership, a shareholder of a professional service corporation, or an employee of such practice units, shall be exempt from the mandatory continuing education requirement upon the filing of a statement with the department declaring such status. Any licensee who returns to the public practice of dentistry during the triennial registration period shall notify the department prior to reentering the profession and shall meet such mandatory continuing education requirements as shall be prescribed by regulation of the commissioner.

2. During each triennial registration period an applicant for registration shall complete a minimum of sixty hours of acceptable formal continuing education, a maximum of eighteen hours of which may be self-instructional coursework as approved by the department. Beginning with the first registration renewal period for any dentist occurring on or after January first, two thousand two, and before the occurrence of the second registration renewal period following that date, a dentist shall have completed on a one-time basis, as part of the sixty hours of acceptable formal continuing education required by this section, no fewer than two hours of coursework and training regarding the chemical and related effects and usage of tobacco and tobacco products and the recognition, diagnosis, and treatment of the oral health effects, including but not limited to cancers and other diseases, caused by tobacco and tobacco products, provided that any dentist who provides written proof satisfactory to the department that the dentist has completed, at any time subsequent to the effective date of this section, an approved mandatory continuing education course of not less than two hours in the same or substantially similar subject matter shall be deemed to have met this requirement, and further provided that dentists who are exempt from the mandatory continuing education requirement for the triennial registration period during which they are first licensed shall also be exempt from this requirement for that period. Any dentist whose first registration date following the effective date of this section occurs less than three years from such effective date, but on or after January first, nineteen hundred ninety-eight and before July first, two thousand eight, shall complete continuing education hours on a prorated basis at the rate of one and one-quarter hours per month for the period beginning January first, nineteen hundred ninety-seven up to the first registration date thereafter. For any registration period beginning before July first, two thousand eight and ending on or after such date, each dentist shall complete continuing education hours on a pro rata basis at a rate of one and one-quarter hours per month for the period ending June thirtieth, two thousand eight and at a rate of one and two-thirds hours per month for the period beginning July first, two thousand eight up to the first registration date thereafter. A licensee who has not satisfied the mandatory continuing education requirements shall not be issued a triennial registration certificate by the department and shall not practice unless and until a conditional registration certificate is issued

as provided in subdivision three of this section. The individual licensee shall determine the selection of courses or programs of study pursuant to subdivision four of this section.

3. The department, in its discretion, may issue a conditional registration to a licensee who fails to meet the continuing education requirements established in subdivision two of this section but who agrees to make up any deficiencies and take any additional education which the department may require. The fee for such a conditional registration shall be the same as, and in addition to, the fee for the triennial registration. The duration of such conditional registration shall be determined by the department. Any licensee who is notified of the denial of registration for failure to submit evidence, satisfactory to the department, of completion of required continuing education and who practices dentistry without such registration, may be subject to disciplinary proceedings pursuant to section sixty-five hundred ten of this title.
4. As used in this section, "acceptable formal continuing education" shall mean formal programs of learning which contribute to professional practice and which meet the standards prescribed by regulations of the commissioner. To fulfill the mandatory continuing education requirement, programs must be taken from sponsors having at least one full-time employee and the facilities, equipment, and financial and physical resources to provide continuing education courses, approved by the department, pursuant to the regulations of the commissioner.
5. The mandatory continuing education fee shall be forty-five dollars, shall be payable on or before the first day of each triennial registration period, and shall be paid in addition to the triennial registration fee required by section six thousand six hundred four of this article.
6. On or after the effective date of this subdivision, and no later than the end of the first registration period commencing on or after such date during which he or she is required to comply with the continuing education requirements of this section, each dentist shall have completed on a one-time basis, as part of the mandatory hours of acceptable formal continuing education required by this section, no fewer than three hours in a course approved by the department in dental jurisprudence and ethics, which shall include the laws, rules, regulations and ethical principles relating to the practice of dentistry in New York state, provided that postgraduate dental students enrolled in New York state dental residency programs may satisfy the requirements of this subdivision by taking such an approved course during the period of their dental residency prior to their initial licensure.

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§61.15 Continuing education for dentists.

a. As used in this section, acceptable accrediting agency shall mean an organization accepted by the department as a reliable authority for the purpose of accreditation at the postsecondary level, applying its criteria for granting accreditation in a fair, consistent and nondiscriminatory manner, such as an agency recognized for this purpose by the United States Department of Education.
b. Applicability of requirement.
    1. Each licensed dentist, required under article 130 of the Education Law to register with the department to practice in New York State, shall comply with the mandatory continuing

education requirements as prescribed in subdivision (c) of this section, except those licensees exempt from the requirement or who obtain an adjustment to the requirement pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subdivision.

2. Exemptions and adjustments to the requirement.
   i. Exemptions. The following licensees shall be exempt from the continuing education requirements, as prescribed in subdivision (c) of this section:
      a. licensees for the triennial registration period during which they are first licensed to practice dentistry in New York State, exclusive of those first licensed to practice dentistry in New York State pursuant to an endorsement of a license of another jurisdiction; and
      b. licensees who are not engaged in the practice of dentistry, as evidenced by not being registered to practice in New York State, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c)(2) of this section to meet the education requirements for the resumption of practice after a lapse in practice for a licensee who has not lawfully practiced continuously in another jurisdiction throughout such lapse period.
   ii. Adjustments to the requirement. An adjustment to the continuing education requirement, as prescribed in subdivision (c) of this section, shall be made by the department, provided that the licensee documents good cause that prevents compliance, which shall include, but not be limited to, any of the following reasons: poor health certified by a physician; or a specific physical or mental disability certified by an appropriate health care professional; or extended active duty with the Armed Forces of the United States; or extreme hardship which in the judgment of the department make it impossible for the licensee to comply with the continuing education requirements in a timely manner.

c. Mandatory continuing education requirement.
   1. Basic requirements.
      i. During each triennial registration period, meaning a registration period of three years' duration, which ends prior to July 1, 2008, an applicant for registration shall complete at least 45 hours of formal continuing education acceptable to the department, as defined in paragraph (4) of this subdivision, provided that no more than 15 hours of such continuing education shall consist of self-study courses.
      ii. Any licensed dentist whose registration period begins prior to July 1, 2008 and continues after July 1, 2008, shall complete continuing education hours on a prorated basis at the rate of one and one-quarter hours of acceptable formal continuing education per month for each month from the beginning of that registration period through June 30, 2008 and at the

		rate of one and two-thirds hours of acceptable formal continuing education per month for each month of that registration period from July 1, 2008 through the end of that registration period.
	iii.	During each triennial registration period, meaning a registration period of three years' duration, beginning on or after July 1, 2008, an applicant for registration shall complete at least 60 hours of formal continuing education acceptable to the department, as defined in paragraph (4) of this subdivision, provided that no more than 18 hours of such continuing education shall consist of self-study courses, and 42 must be in-person course credits.
	iv.	Beginning with the first registration period for a licensed dentist that occurs on or after January 1, 2002 in which completion of acceptable formal continuing education is required, and before the occurrence of the succeeding registration renewal period following that date, a licensed dentist shall be required to have completed on a one-time basis, as part of the formal continuing education required in this paragraph, no fewer than two (2) hours of formal continuing education acceptable to the department, as defined in paragraph (4) of this subdivision, regarding the chemical and related effects and usage of tobacco and tobacco products and the recognition, diagnosis, and treatment of the oral health effects, including but not limited to cancers and other diseases, caused by tobacco and tobacco products. A licensee returning to the practice of dentistry after a lapse in practice, as prescribed in paragraph (2) of this subdivision, shall be subject to the requirements of this subparagraph and shall complete such formal continuing education in the registration period prescribed in this subparagraph. A dentist must also complete three (3) credit hours of CPR/ACLS/PALS education and three (3) hours of mandated reporting of child abuse and maltreatment. A licensed dentist shall be deemed to have met the requirements of this subparagraph if the licensee provides to the department satisfactory documentation that the licensee has completed on or after January 1, 1997 and prior to the registration period prescribed in this subparagraph in which such formal continuing education is required to be completed, formal continuing education acceptable to the department, as defined in paragraph (4) of this subdivision, of not less than two hours in the same or substantially similar subject matter as that prescribed in this subparagraph.
	v.	No later than the end of the first registration period for a licensed dentist beginning on or after January 1, 2008 in which completion of acceptable formal continuing education is required, a licensed dentist shall be required to have completed on a one-time basis, as part of the mandatory hours of acceptable

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continuing education required in this paragraph, no fewer than three (3) hours in a course approved by the department in dental jurisprudence and ethics, which shall include the laws, rules, regulations and ethical principles relating to the practice of dentistry in New York State.

a. As used in this section, jurisprudence shall mean the application of the principles of law and justice as they relate to the practice of dentistry. A dental mandatory continuing education course in jurisprudence shall be based upon the laws of New York State.
b. As used in this section, ethics shall mean the principles of conduct relating to dental practice. A dental mandatory continuing education course in ethics shall be based upon ethical principles, such as those of the New York State Dental Association as established pursuant to section 5 of chapter 987 of the Laws of 1971, or of another dental association approved by the department, or the substantial equivalent thereof, as determined by the department.
c. Standards for approval of coursework or training. Coursework or training shall include, but need not be limited to, the core elements specified in a syllabus prepared and provided by either a non-profit dental education entity, which has been incorporated or chartered by the New York State Board of Regents for the purpose of providing dental education, or by the New York State Dental Association, which syllabus has been approved by the department. Such non-profit entity shall have knowledge and expertise in New York State Dental Association ethics or the substantial equivalent, as determined by the department.
d. A postgraduate dental student enrolled in a New York State dental residency program in accordance with section 61.18 of this Part may satisfy the requirements of this subparagraph by taking an approved dental jurisprudence and ethics course during the period of his or her dental residency prior to initial licensure.

2. Requirement for lapse in practice. A licensee returning to the practice of dentistry after a lapse in practice, as evidenced by not being registered to practice in New York State shall submit an application for renewal of registration on a form prescribed by the commissioner and evidence of acceptable continuing education as defined in paragraph (4) of this subdivision and in accordance with subparagraph (i) or (ii) of this paragraph as applicable:
   i. such licensee who has been lawfully practicing in another jurisdiction and submits such application,

shall submit satisfactory evidence of three years of acceptable continuing education completed within the three years immediately preceding the submission of such application. Such continuing education shall be completed at a rate of one and one-quarter hours for each month of such three year period prior to July 1, 2008 and one and two-thirds hours for each month on or after July 1, 2008; or

ii. such licensee who has not been practicing in another jurisdiction and submits such application, shall submit satisfactory evidence of three years of acceptable continuing education completed within the 12 months immediately preceding the submission of such application. Such continuing education shall be completed at a rate of one and one-quarter hours for each month of such three-year period prior to July 1, 2008 and one and two-thirds hours for each month on or after July 1, 2008.

3. Proration. If a registration period is less than three years in duration, a licensed dentist shall complete acceptable formal continuing education at the rate of one and one-quarter hours of continuing education per month for any part of such registration period on or before June 30, 2008 and at the rate of one and two-thirds hours of continuing education per month for any part of such registration period from July 1, 2008 through the end of such registration period.
4. To be acceptable to the department, formal continuing education shall be formal courses of learning which contribute to professional practice in dentistry:
   i. in any one or more of the following curricular areas: basic and clinical dental sciences; or behavioral science; or pharmacology of new and developing drugs; or drug interactions; or public health issues; or infection control; or sterile procedures; or legal and regulatory issues; or patient counseling; or other topics which contribute to the professional practice in dentistry as such practice is defined in section 6601 of the Education Law; or other matters of health care, law, and ethics which contribute to the health and welfare of the public; and
   ii. obtained from a sponsor approved by the department pursuant to subdivision (h) of this section, provided that for courses taken on or after January 1, 2000, a sponsor that is deemed approved pursuant to paragraph (h)(2) of this section shall have at least one full-time employee of any kind, meaning an employee who works at least 30 hours per week, which fact shall be verified by the licensee prior to taking the course and attested to in his or her records as prescribed in subdivision (f) of this section.

d. Renewal of registration. At each reregistration, licensed dentists shall certify to the department that they have either complied with the continuing education requirements, as prescribed in subdivision (c) of this section; or are subject to an exemption or adjustment to such

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continuing education requirements, as prescribed in subdivision (b) of this section.

e. Conditional registration.
    1. The department shall issue a conditional registration to a licensee who attests to or admits to noncompliance with the continuing education requirements of this section, provided that such licensee meets the following requirements:
        i. the licensee agrees to remedy such deficiency within the conditional registration period;
        ii. the licensee agrees to complete the continuing education requirement for any months of the conditional registration period prior to July 1, 2008 at the rate of one and one-quarter hours of acceptable formal continuing education per month and at the rate of one and two-thirds hours per month for the period beginning July 1, 2008 through the end of such conditional registration period; and
        iii. the licensee agrees to complete additional continuing education during such conditional registration period, which the department may require to ensure the licensee's proper delivery of dental care consistent with the licensee's practice of dentistry.
    2. The duration of such conditional registration shall not exceed one year and shall not be renewed or extended.

f. Licensee records. Each licensee subject to this section shall maintain, or ensure access by the department to, a record of completed continuing education, which includes: the title of the program; the number of hours completed; the sponsor's name and any identifying number; attendance verification; the date and location of the program; and a statement attesting to the fact that for courses taken on or after January 1, 2000 from a sponsor that is deemed approved pursuant to paragraph (h)(2) of this section, the licensee, prior to taking the course, has verified that the sponsor has at least one full-time employee of any kind, meaning an employee who works at least 30 hours per week, and indicating the reasonable basis for this determination. Such records shall be retained for at least six years from the date of completion of the program and shall be available for review by the department in the administration of the requirements of this section.

g. Measurement of continuing education study. Continuing education credit shall be granted only for formal programs of learning that meet the requirements set forth in subdivision (c) of this section. A minimum of 50 minutes of study shall equal one hour of continuing education credit. For credit-bearing university or college courses, each semester-hour of credit shall equal 15 hours of continuing education credit, and each quarter-hour of credit shall equal 10 hours of continuing education credit.

h. Sponsor approval.
    1. To be approved by the department, sponsors of continuing education to licensed dentists shall meet the requirements of either paragraph (2) or (3) of this subdivision.
    2. The department shall deem approved as a sponsor of continuing education to licensed dentists:
        i. a sponsor of continuing education that is approved by the American Dental Association Continuing

	Education Recognition Program, or the Dental Society of the State of New York, or an equivalent organization determined by the State Board for Dentistry to have equivalent standards for approving sponsors of continuing education for professionals regulated by title VIII of the Education Law, including a standard that is equivalent to the standard prescribed in clause (3)(ii)(f) of this subdivision, provided that such sponsor shall also meet the requirements of clause (3)(ii)(g) of this subdivision as verified by the licensee in accordance with the requirements of subparagraph (c)(4)(ii) of this section; or ii. a postsecondary institution for courses in programs that are registered pursuant to Part 52 of this Title or in equivalent programs that are accredited by an acceptable accrediting agency, which registration standards include a standard that is equivalent to the standard prescribed in clause (3)(ii)(f) of this subdivision, provided that such sponsor shall also meet the requirements of clause (3)(ii)(g) of this subdivision as verified by the licensee in accordance with the requirements of subparagraph (c)(4)(ii) of this section. 3. Department review of sponsors. i. The department shall conduct a review of sponsors that apply for approval to offer continuing education to licensed dentists and that are not deemed approved pursuant to the requirements of paragraph (2) of this subdivision. ii. Organizations desiring to offer continuing education based upon a department review under this paragraph shall submit, with the fee as set forth in subdivision (i) of this section, an application for advance approval as a sponsor at least 90 days prior to the date for the commencement of such continuing education that documents that the organization: a. will offer courses of study in any one or more of the following curricular areas: basic and clinical dental sciences; or behavioral science; or pharmacology of new and developing drugs; or drug interactions; or public health issues; or infection control; or sterile procedures; or legal and regulatory issues; or patient counseling; or other topics which contribute to the professional practice of dentistry as such practice is defined in section 6601 of the Education Law; or other matters of health care, law, and ethics which contribute to the health and welfare of the public; b. is an organized educational entity, including but not limited to, a college of dentistry accredited by an acceptable accrediting agency; or a national, State, or local dental

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	association; or a hospital or health maintenance organization; c. provides course instructors who are qualified to teach the courses which will be offered, including but not limited to, faculty of a college of dentistry accredited by an acceptable accrediting agency; or instructors who are authorities in the health sciences specially qualified, in the opinion of the State Board for Dentistry, to conduct such courses; d. has a method of assessing the learning of participants, and describes such method; e. will maintain records for at least six years from the date of completion of course- work, which shall include, but shall not be limited to, the name and curriculum vitae of the faculty, a record of attendance of licensed dentists in such coursework, an outline of the course of instruction, date and location of the coursework, and the number of hours for completion of the coursework. In the event an approved sponsor discontinues operation, the governing body of such sponsor shall notify the department and shall transfer all records as directed by the department; f. for an organization initially approved or reapproved by the department as a sponsor on or after September 3, 1999, has the facilities, equipment and financial and physical resources to provide continuing education courses, meaning facilities shall be appropriate to accomplish the educational method being used and the stated educational objectives, equipment shall be adequate and in such condition that instruction can proceed effectively, and financial and physical resources shall be sufficient to fund and support the services necessary to manage the continuing education programs; and g. for an organization initially approved or reapproved by the department as a sponsor on or after September 3, 1999, has at least one full-time employee of any kind, meaning an employee who works at least 30 hours per week. iii. Sponsors that are approved by the department pursuant to the requirements of this paragraph shall be approved for a three-year term. iv. The department may conduct site visits of or request information from a sponsor approved pursuant to the requirements of this paragraph to ensure compliance with such requirements, and a sponsor shall cooperate with the department in permitting such site visits and in providing such information.

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	v. A determination by the department that a sponsor approved pursuant to the requirements of this paragraph is not meeting the standards set forth in this paragraph shall result in the denial or termination of the approved status of the sponsor. i. Fees. 1. At the beginning of each registration period, a mandatory continuing education fee of $45 shall be collected from licensees engaged in the practice of dentistry in New York State, except for those exempt from the requirement pursuant to subparagraph (b)(2)(i) of this section. This fee shall be in addition to the registration fee required by section 6604 of the Education Law. 2. Licensees applying for a conditional registration, pursuant to the requirements of subdivision (e) of this section, shall pay a fee that is the same as and in addition to, the fee for the triennial registration required by section 6604 of the Education Law. In addition, such licensees shall pay the $45 mandatory continuing education fee. 3. Organizations desiring to offer continuing education to licensed dentists based upon a department review, pursuant to paragraph (h)(3) of this section, shall submit an application fee of $900 with its application for the issuance of a permit from the department to become an approved sponsor of a formal continuing education program. Application for a three-year renewal of the permit shall be accompanied by a fee of $900.

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