

## SEALANT APPLICATION - SETTINGS AND SUPERVISION LEVELS BY STATE\*

**GEN. SUPERVISION  
WITH EXAM**

**GEN. SUPERVISION  
WITHOUT EXAM**

**DIRECT ACCESS**

**DIRECT SUPERVISION**

	OFFICE	SETTINGS	OFFICE	SETTINGS	OFFICE	SETTINGS	OFFICE	SETTINGS
AL							✓	✓
AK			✓	✓		✓-collaborative practice		
AR		✓					✓	
AZ			✓	✓		✓-Affiliated Practice		
CA			✓-except with new patient	✓	✓-if RDHAP	✓-in public health setting		
CO					✓	✓		
CT			✓			✓ -public and private		
DC			✓	✓				
DE	✓	✓						
FL							✓	✓
GA							✓	✓
HI		✓				✓-Settings only	✓	

\* Dental hygienists can apply sealants in all states. Chart describes parameters of application.

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<b>ID</b>			✓	✓				
<b>IL</b>	✓	✓						
<b>IN</b>							✓	✓
<b>IA</b>	✓	✓		✓-under public health supervision				
<b>KS</b>	✓	✓				✓-extended permit RDH		
<b>KY</b>	✓	✓						
<b>LA</b>		✓-Public schools or federal or state institutions. -dentist has authorized procedures					✓	
<b>ME</b>			✓		✓-independent practice RDH	✓		
<b>MD</b>			✓	✓				
<b>MA</b>	✓	✓						
<b>MI</b>			✓	✓		✓ RDH with designation of grantee status		

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<b>MN</b>			✓			✓		
<b>MS</b>							✓	✓
<b>MO</b>	✓	✓				✓-with Medicaid children only		
<b>MT</b>			✓	✓		✓-RDH must have authorized limited access permit		
<b>NE</b>			✓	✓				
<b>NV</b>			✓			✓		
<b>NH</b>			✓	✓		✓-With a DDS prescription in collaborative practice		
<b>NJ</b>							✓-supervision, written order in public health setting	✓
<b>NM</b>			✓	✓				
<b>NY</b>			✓	✓-all settings				
<b>NC</b>		✓-if public health dental hygienist					✓	

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<b>ND</b>	✓	✓						
<b>OH</b>	✓	✓						
<b>OK</b>	✓	✓				✓-one time per patient		
<b>OR</b>			✓-unless new patient	✓		✓-limited access permit		
<b>PA</b>	✓-private dental office			✓-public settings		✓-public health dental hygienist		
<b>RI</b>			✓	✓				
<b>SC</b>				✓			✓	
<b>SD</b>	✓	✓						
<b>TN</b>		✓					✓-some procedures	
<b>TX</b>	✓	✓				✓-one time per patient; schools, nursing homes		
<b>UT</b>	✓	✓						
<b>VT</b>	✓	✓				✓-public health RDH		

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<b>VA</b>	✓	✓						
<b>WA</b>	✓					✓		
<b>WV</b>							✓	✓
<b>WI</b>	✓	✓				✓		
<b>WY</b>							✓	✓

*Source: This chart is based on governmental affairs staff interpretation of language in each state's statute/rules.*

**Direct Supervision** means a dentist must be present.

**General Supervision** means a dentist must authorize, but need not be present. In some states general supervision does not require a prior dental exam, but may require a dentist's diagnosis or treatment plan.

**Direct Access** means a dentist need not specifically authorize.



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