

TENNESSEE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

**POLICY STATEMENT ON USE OF LASERS FOR DEBRIDEMENT AND
BACTERIAL REDUCTION BY DENTAL HYGIENISTS**

The position of the Tennessee Board of Dentistry is that the use of lasers for debridement and bacterial reduction by licensed dental hygienists is permitted after successful completion of a course which should include didactic and hands-on training.

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