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Section XIV 2. of the *Bylaw for Registration and Certification of Dental Assistants* confers upon the MDA Board the ability to enumerate additional activities that a Registered Dental Assistant may perform on an approved roster.

The MDA Board has accepted a recommendation by the Scope of Practice Committee that Registered Dental Assistants, listed on the Preventative Scaling Roster, be allowed to increase the sub-gingival scaling depth, for the removal of calculus, from 2mm to a maximum depth of 3mm. This change is effective immediately and pertains only to those listed on the Preventative Scaling Roster. This change will be reflected in an amendment to Schedule E of the Bylaw - *Additional Authorized Activities for a Registered Dental Assistant on the Preventative Scaling Roster*.

It is important to remember that an RDA performing an activity authorized on the preventative scaling roster, must limit his or her dental assisting activities to situations under the effective supervision, control, and delegation of a licensed MDA dentist.

Please feel free to reach out to myself or Dr. Chris Cottick, MDA President, for any questions on the matter.

Respectfully,

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