

## Expectations for clinical and ethical practice

# Practice Standard #4

## Applies to Dental Hygienists



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The British Columbia College of Oral Health Professionals (BCCOHP) was created on September 1, 2022 through the amalgamation of four health regulatory colleges: the College of Dental Hygienists of BC, the College of Dental Surgeons of BC, the College of Dental Technicians of BC, and the College of Denturists of BC. All current requirements for standards of clinical and ethical practice issued by the four colleges remain in place upon amalgamation. This document was created by the College of Dental Hygienists of BC and will be updated to reflect the amalgamation.

## PRACTICE STANDARD POLICY # 4

**4.1** Dental hygienists must establish a dental hygiene diagnosis by interpreting the dental hygiene assessment findings and discussing the implications of the findings with the client or the client's representative. In a clinical setting this should include the implications of conditions that are abnormal or unhealthy, and conditions that require special care.

**4.2** Dental hygienists may determine short and long-term dental hygiene prognoses.