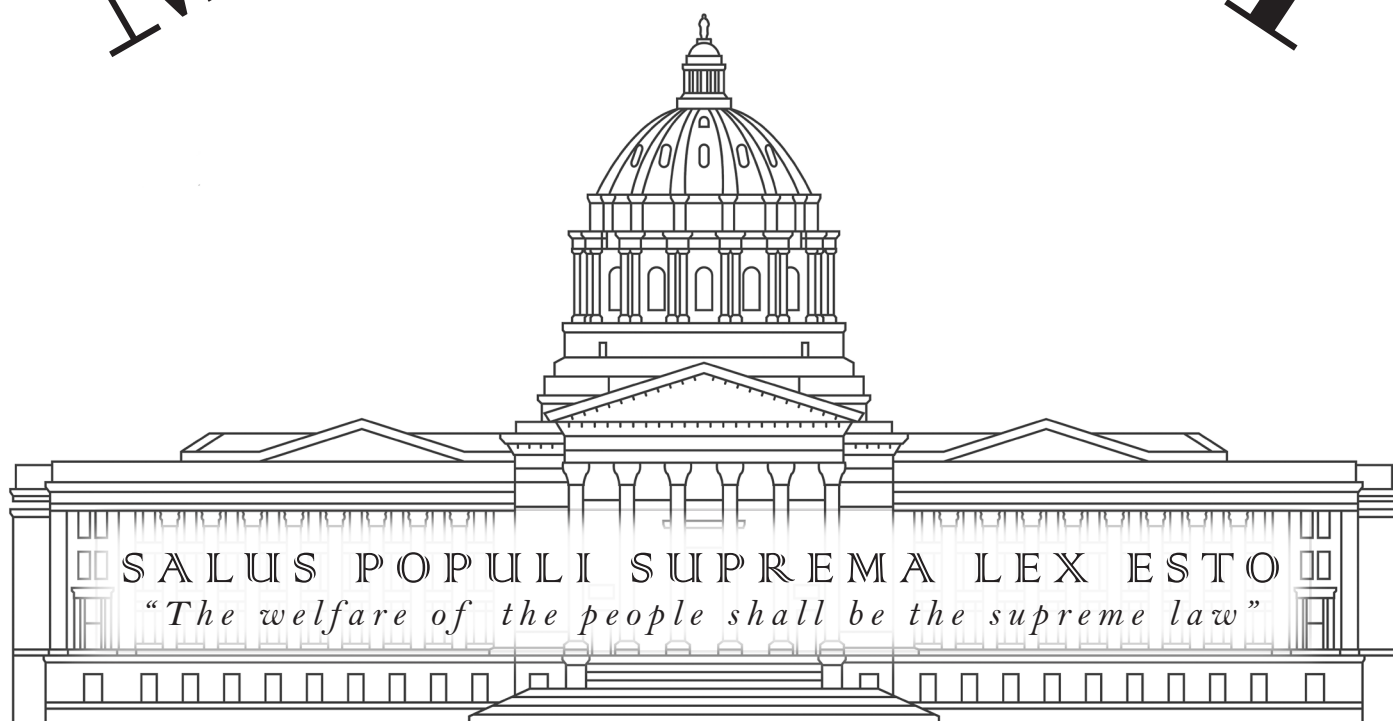


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**TITLE 20 – DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
AND INSURANCE
Division 2110 – Missouri Dental Board
Chapter 2 – General Rules**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2110-2.131 Definition of a Public Health Setting. The board is amending section (1).

PURPOSE: This amendment expands the list of public health settings in which a dental hygienist may practice pursuant to section 332.311.2, RSMo.

(1) For the purposes of section 332.311, RSMo, only the term “public health setting” is defined as a location where dental services authorized by section 332.311, RSMo, are performed so long as the delivery of services are sponsored by *[a governmental health entity which includes] any of the following entities:*

- (A) Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services;
- (B) Missouri Department of Social Services;
- (C) Missouri Department of Mental Health;
- (D) Missouri Office of State Courts Administrator;
- [(B)](E) A county health department;
- [(C)](F) A city health department operating under a city charter;
- [(D)](G) A combined city/county health department; *[or]*
- [(E)](H) A nonprofit community health center qualified as exempt from federal taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code including a community health center that receives funding authorized by sections 329, 330, and 340 of the United States Public Health Services Act[.];
- (I) A public or private elementary or secondary school; or
- (J) Missouri Special Olympics.

AUTHORITY: section 332.311.2, RSMo 2016. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 110-2.131. Emergency rule filed March 15, 2002, effective March 25, 2002, expired Sept. 20, 2002. Original rule filed March 15, 2002, effective Aug. 30, 2002. Moved to 20 CSR 2110-2.131, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed Aug. 23, 2018, effective Feb. 28, 2019. Amended: Filed June 4, 2026.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Missouri Dental Board, PO Box 1367, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by facsimile at (573) 751-8216, or via email at dental@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *Missouri Register*. No public hearing is scheduled.

**TITLE 20 – DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND
INSURANCE
Division 4240 – Public Service Commission
Chapter 4 – Standards of Conduct**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 4240-4.010 Gratuities. The Public Service Commission is amending section (3).

PURPOSE: This amendment removes an old date and simplifies the reporting requirement.

(3) All companies, corporations, or individuals and any representative subject to the jurisdiction of this commission, and the members and employees of the commission shall immediately file with *[the chairman and each member of]* the commission~~[, from and after March 18, 1976.]~~ a report of any direct or indirect gratuities, meals, services, gifts, or travel given or received and the identity and value of same and the purpose for which given or received, which is not permitted by this rule.

AUTHORITY: section 386.040, RSMo [1986] 2016. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 240-4.010. Original rule filed May 2, 1973, effective June 1, 1973. Amended: Filed Nov. 7, 1984, effective Feb. 11, 1985. Moved to 20 CSR 4240-4.010, effective Aug. 28, 2019. Amended: Filed June 11, 2026.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file comments in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Missouri Public Service Commission, Nancy Dippell, Secretary of the Commission, PO Box 360, Jefferson City, MO 65102. To be considered, comments must be received at the commission’s offices on or before August 14, 2026, and should include a reference to Commission Case No. OX-2026-0335. Comments may also be submitted via a filing using the commission’s electronic filing and information system at https://psc.mo.gov/General/Submit_Comments. A public hearing regarding this proposed amendment is scheduled for August 20, 2026, at 10 a.m., in Room 310 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison St., Jefferson City, MO. Interested persons may appear at this hearing to submit additional comments and/or testimony in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment and may be asked to respond to commission questions. Any persons with special needs as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing at one (1) of the following numbers: Consumer Services Hotline 1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline 1-800-829-7541.

**TITLE 20 – DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND
INSURANCE
Division 4240 – Public Service Commission
Chapter 4 – Standards of Conduct**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 4240-4.015 General Definitions. The Public Service Commission is amending the rule purpose and sections (4), (6), (7), and (9).

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the rule citations in the rule and the rule purpose from 4 CSR 240 to the current rule locations in 20 CSR 4240, makes a grammatical change, and updates the definition of "commission staff" to reflect current agency organizational structure and make the definition consistent with other commission rules.

PURPOSE: This rule sets forth the definitions of certain terms used in rules [4 CSR 240-4.017] 20 CSR 4240-4.017 through [4 CSR 240-4.050] 20 CSR 4240-4.050.

(4) Commission staff – *[Commission employees who report to the Staff Director] All personnel employed by the commission whether on a permanent or contractual basis who are not members of the general counsel division, administration division, technical advisory staff, personal advisors, or who are not law judges.*

(6) *Ex parte* communication – Any communication outside of the case process between a member of the office of the commission and any party, or the agent or representative of a party, regarding any substantive issue in, or likely to be in, a case or noticed case. *Ex parte* communications shall not include a communication regarding general regulatory policy allowed under section 386.210.4, RSMo, communications listed in [4 CSR 240-4.040] 20 CSR 4240-4.040, communications made thirty (30) days or more after the commission issues a final determination in a case, or communications that are *de minimis* or immaterial. *Ex parte* communications shall not include communications listed in 20 CSR 4240-4.040.

(7) Extra-record communication – Any communication outside of the case process between a member of the office of the commission and any person not a party to a case or noticed case regarding any substantive issue in, or likely to be in, that case or noticed case. Extra-record communications shall not include communications regarding general regulatory policy allowed under section 386.210.4, RSMo, communications with members of the general assembly or other government officials allowed under section 386.210.5, RSMo, communications listed in [4 CSR 240-4.040] 20 CSR 4240-4.040, communications made thirty (30) days or more after the commission issues a final determination in a case, communications between the office of the commission and commission employees who are not commission staff, or communications that are *de minimis* or immaterial. **Extra-record communications shall not include communications listed in 20 CSR 4240-4.040.**

(9) Noticed case – Any case for which a notice of a case has been filed in compliance with [4 CSR 240-4.017] 20 CSR 4240-4.017. **Any such filing shall be in compliance with 20 CSR 4240-4.017.**

AUTHORITY: section 386.410, RSMo 2016. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 240-4.015. Original rule filed Nov. 28, 2016, effective July 30, 2017. Moved to 20 CSR 4240-4.015, effective Aug. 28, 2019. Amended: Filed June 11, 2026.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE TO SUBMIT

COMMENTS: Anyone may file comments in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Missouri Public Service Commission, Nancy Dippell, Secretary of the Commission, PO Box 360, Jefferson City, MO 65102. To be considered, comments must be received at the commission's offices on or before August 14, 2026, and should include a reference to Commission Case No. OX-2026-0335. Comments may also be submitted via a filing using the commission's electronic filing and information system at https://psc.mo.gov/General/Submit_Comments. A public hearing regarding this proposed amendment is scheduled for August 20, 2026, at 10 a.m., in Room 310 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison St., Jefferson City, MO. Interested persons may appear at this hearing to submit additional comments and/or testimony in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment and may be asked to respond to commission questions. Any persons with special needs as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing at one (1) of the following numbers: Consumer Services Hotline 1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline 1-800-829-7541.

**TITLE 20 – DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND
INSURANCE
Division 4240 – Public Service Commission
Chapter 4 – Standards of Conduct**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 4240-4.017 General Provisions. The Public Service Commission is amending subsections (1)(B) and (1)(C) and adding a new subsection (1)(E).

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the rule citations in the rule from 4 CSR 240 to the current rule locations in 20 CSR 4240 and updates the nomenclature of the staff assisted rate case procedure. The amendment also exempts communications cases from the requirement to file a sixty- (60-) day notice before filing a case.

(1) Any person that intends to file a case shall file a notice with the secretary of the commission a minimum of sixty (60) days prior to filing such case. Such notice shall detail the type of case and issues likely to be before the commission and shall include a summary of all communication regarding substantive issues likely to be in the case between the filing party and the office of the commission that occurred in the ninety (90) days prior to filing the notice. The filing of such notice shall initiate a new noticed case and be assigned an appropriate case designation and number. If the expected case filing is subsequently made, it shall be filed in the noticed case. If the expected case filing is not made within one hundred eighty (180) days, the noticed case shall close.

(B) This section shall not apply to small formal complaints under commission rule [4 CSR 240-2.070] 20 CSR 4240-2.070 or [small utility rate cases under commission rule 4 CSR 240-3.050] the staff assisted rate case procedure under commission rule 20 CSR 4240-10.075.

(C) This section shall not apply to formal complaints under section 386.390, RSMo, or commission rule [4 CSR 240-2.070] 20 CSR 4240-2.070. However, formal complaints shall include, contemporaneous with the filing initiating the complaint, a summary of any communication regarding substantive issues likely to be in the case between the filing party and the office of the commission that occurred in the sixty (60) days prior to

filing the complaint.

(E) This section shall not apply to the commission's communications cases under Chapters 20 CSR 4240-28, 20 CSR 4240-29, 20 CSR 4240-31, 20 CSR 4240-34, or 20 CSR 4240-36, unless otherwise ordered by the commission.

AUTHORITY: section 386.410, RSMo 2016. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 240-4.017. Original rule filed Nov. 28, 2016, effective July 30, 2017. Moved to 20 CSR 4240-4.017, effective Aug. 28, 2019. Amended: Filed June 11, 2026.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file comments in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Missouri Public Service Commission, Nancy Dippell, Secretary of the Commission, PO Box 360, Jefferson City, MO 65102. To be considered, comments must be received at the commission's offices on or before August 14, 2026, and should include a reference to Commission Case No. OX-2026-0335. Comments may also be submitted via a filing using the commission's electronic filing and information system at https://psc.mo.gov/General/Submit_Comments. A public hearing regarding this proposed amendment is scheduled for August 20, 2026, at 10 a.m., in Room 310 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison St., Jefferson City, MO. Interested persons may appear at this hearing to submit additional comments and/or testimony in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment and may be asked to respond to commission questions. Any persons with special needs as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing at one (1) of the following numbers: Consumer Services Hotline 1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline 1-800-829-7541.

TITLE 20 – DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INSURANCE

Division 4240 – Public Service Commission Chapter 4 – Standards of Conduct

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 4240-4.040 Communications [t]That [a]Are [n]Not Ex Parte or Extra-Record Communications. The Public Service Commission is amending section (1).

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the rule citations in the rule from 4 CSR 240 to the current rule locations in 20 CSR 4240.

(1) In accordance with section 386.210.3, RSMo, no communication shall be prohibited by, or subject to, the disclosure and notice requirements of rule [4 CSR 240-4.020] **20 CSR 4240-4.020** or [4 CSR 240-4.030] **20 CSR 4240-4.030**, if those communications are made before an evidentiary hearing has been scheduled in the case and are –

AUTHORITY: section 386.410, RSMo 2016. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 240-4.040. Original rule filed Nov. 28, 2016, effective July

30, 2017. Moved to 20 CSR 4240-4.040, effective Aug. 28, 2019. Amended: Filed June 11, 2026.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

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TITLE 20 – DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INSURANCE

Division 4240 – Public Service Commission Chapter 28 – Communications

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 4240-28.012 Annual Reports, Statements of Revenue, and Assessments. The Public Service Commission is amending subsection (2)(B).

PURPOSE: This amendment updates the rule citations in the rule from 4 CSR 240 to the current rule locations in 20 CSR 4240.

(2) Assessments – Information about assessments may be found on the commission's website or as otherwise indicated below.

(B) Missouri USF assessment. Any company required to submit an annual report to the commission is subject to the Missouri USF assessment. This assessment is based on a factor applied to a company's net jurisdictional revenue as defined and explained in [4 CSR 240-31] **20 CSR 4240-31**. Information about the Missouri USF assessment is posted on the Missouri USF administrator's website, www.missouri-usf.com.

AUTHORITY: sections 386.040, 386.250, 386.310, 392.450, and 392.461, RSMo 2016. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 240-28.012. Original rule filed April 12, 2018, effective Dec. 30, 2018. Moved to 20 CSR 4240-28.012, effective Aug. 28, 2019. Amended: Filed June 11, 2026.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state