House Bill 3017

Sponsored by Representatives KRUMMEL, KOTEK

SUMMARY

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Requires Oregon Board of Dentistry to adopt rules implementing certification program for certain counselors and health assistants to apply fluoride varnishes to teeth of preschool-age children.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to application of fluoride varnishes for children.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2007 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 679.
 - SECTION 2. (1)(a) The Oregon Board of Dentistry, in consultation with the Department of Human Services, shall adopt rules to implement an educational and training program that leads to certification of counselors and health assistants serving the Women, Infants and Children Program, the Oregon prekindergarten program and federal Head Start grant recipients to apply fluoride varnishes to the teeth of children enrolled in those programs.
 - (b) The rules adopted by the board under this subsection shall include, but are not limited to:
 - (A) Requirements for certification of counselors and health assistants serving the Women, Infants and Children Program, the Oregon prekindergarten program and federal Head Start grant recipients that consists of completion of a fluoride varnish certification class covering the etiology of tooth decay, the mechanism of fluoride in caries prevention and the techniques of fluoride varnish application.
 - (B) A process for verification that any child who is to receive a fluoride varnish applied by a person certified under this section has had an oral health screening by a dentist, qualified dental hygienist or dental assistant or by a nurse trained to perform oral health screenings.
 - (C) A requirement that a person certified under this section may apply fluoride varnishes only at the location of the Women, Infants and Children Program, the Oregon prekindergarten program or the federal Head Start grant recipient that employs the person.
 - (2) The board may establish by rule a fee for certification under the educational and training program described in this section. The fee must not exceed the amount necessary to cover the cost of conducting the program.
 - (3) As used in this section:
 - (a) "Oregon prekindergarten program" has the meaning given that term in ORS 329.170.
 - (b) "Women, Infants and Children Program" means the program established in ORS 409.600.

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