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I work as a Dental Assistant with kids. A lot of times when I see kids (like in the photos in Dr. Pham's presentation) where I work at, it is a case of neglect and because we are healthcare workers, we are mandated to contact DHS. I hope that this was considered in both of those cases, there may be more going on than dental problems.

I think that lowering standards does not help to hire, pay to train and then maintain employees long-term. This isn't customer service its providing healthcare. We have to educate and provide services to patients to improve their oral health. And taking time to train people that re not certified and may not be motivated to work in the dental field long-term is a waste of resources.

Thanks