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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1999 No. 3460**

**The Dental Auxiliaries (Amendment) Regulations 1999**

**Amendment of regulation 23**

6. In regulation 23 (dental hygienists), after paragraph (3) insert—

“(4) A dental hygienist shall be permitted to place a temporary dressing in a tooth, under the direction of a registered dentist, where a filling has fallen out during the course of dental work being carried out by the dental hygienist under the provisions of this regulation, provided that the dental hygienist—

- (a) advises the patient to make an appointment with his dentist as soon as is reasonably practical after the dental work has taken place; and
- (b) informs the patient’s dentist as soon as reasonably practical after it has taken place.”.