

WAC 246-817-310 Patient record retention and accessibility requirements. (1) A licensed dentist shall keep readily accessible patient records for at least six years from the date of the last treatment.

(2) A licensed dentist shall respond to a written request from a patient to examine or copy a patient's record within fifteen working days after receipt. A licensed dentist shall comply with chapter 70.02 RCW for all patient record requests.

(3) A licensed dentist shall comply with chapter 70.02 RCW and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, 45 C.F.R. destruction and privacy regulations.

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