

DENTAL ASSISTING PROGRAM

CONSIDER A NEW CAREER AS A DENTAL ASSISTANT!

Do you have an interest in serving patients, using technical/medical and administrative skills? Do you want to be an important part of a dental team? Train to become a Dental Assistant, which could be a first step on a pathway to becoming a Certified Dental Assistant or Dental Hygienist.

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The 80 hour Dental Assisting Program prepares students for entry level positions in one of the fastest growing health care positions – Dental Assisting. The purpose of this course is to familiarize the student with all areas of pre-clinical dental assisting and provide training in the professional skills required to function as an assistant in the dental practice. This course which includes lectures and labs covers key areas and topics. Administrative aspects include introduction to the dental office; the legal aspects of dentistry; policies and guidelines. Clinical aspects include introduction to oral anatomy; dental operatory; dental equipment, introduction to tooth structure; primary and permanent teeth; the oral cavity and related structures; proper patient positioning; dental hand-pieces; sterilization; and other areas. In addition to the opportunity to gain an entry-level administrative job, this course is ideal for students interested in pursuing a future formal Dental Hygienist program.

An optional 40 hour clinical externship rotation is available for no additional fee. To be eligible for the clinical rotation, students must successfully complete the 80 hour program, provide a resume, and may be required to complete a drug screening, background check and/or medical exam and proof of immunization. **Textbook and materials are included.** Background check and drug screening are additional cost. Students are also required to purchase scrubs.

CED 1265 A1: Tuesday and Thursday, 6:00pm-9:30pm, and two Saturdays (10/21 and 11/18) 9:00am-2:30pm.

October 10 - December 19 for 22 sessions. Bring lunch on Saturdays.

Clinical Externship: 40 hours (optional) to begin after December 19 course completion.

Fee: \$1,350



CERTIFICATION

The Dental Assistant National Board offers a three-part Certified Dental Assistant (CDA) exam. Students who complete this program may take two of DANB's Certified Dental Assistant exams: Radiation Health and Safety (RHS) and Infection Control (ICE). With 3,500 hours of experience and CPR and Basic Life Support (BLS) the applicant can sit for the DANB General Chairside exam and earn DANB CDA certification. Students must have a HS diploma or equivalent (or diploma earned outside the U. S., consult <http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/dent/dentcdalic.htm>), a current government-issued photo ID, and disclosure of a Social Security number and any felony conviction in the last five years to take DANB exams. **The cost of certification exams is not included.**

In order to complete the NYS Professional Dental Assisting exam and apply for licensing in New York State, students must gain 200 hours of relevant work experience and complete an accredited course (24 credit hours) through a NY State Education Office of Professions approved program; program entry requires Dental Assistant employment by a dentist (DDS) who will act as a preceptor. See www.op.nysed.gov/prof/dent/denasst.htm for further information.



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