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DENTAL HYGIENE
PROGRAM POLICIES
1.1 Dental Hygiene Mission, Vision and Core Values

Mission
The Dental Hygiene Program endeavors for excellence by preparing oral health professionals intellectually and practically for a broad and robust career in dental hygiene.

Vision
In the context of the University of New England’s Vision, the dental hygiene program aspires to be a national leader in dental hygiene education by offering opportunities that are student centered and interprofessional and endeavors to be authentic and professional in all relationships. The program will give our students a broad and diverse experience.

Core Values
The Dental Hygiene Program has identified a set of core values that set the tenor of what the program does and guides our daily interactions:

• Student Centeredness
The dental hygiene program puts students learning, aspirations, needs and success at the center of what we do to exemplify academic excellence.

• Critical Thinking
Critical thinking is fundamental to problem solving, implementing the dental hygiene process of care, and ethical decision making. Therefore, critical thinking is focal to learning the profession of dental hygiene and applying evidenced-based care to all people.

• Experiential Learning
Learning by doing in a real-world environment is exciting and engaging for the student. The Dental Hygiene Program is committed to providing the most dynamic learning possible by being part of inter and interprofessional health care teams.

• Interprofessional Education
The dental hygiene program supports and participates in IPE. We believe IPE serves to give students and faculty experiences in collaboration, teamwork and inclusion.

• Lifelong Learning
Learning throughout life is paramount for keeping pace with the ever-changing world of technology, health care and one’s understanding of the world we live in for civic, personal, social or employment aims.

• Professional and Ethical Behavior
Using guides and codes to mentor students and demonstrate professional behaviors, faculty are authentic, kind, respectful and honest in all interactions. We believe teaching and learning by example builds integrity within the Program.

The core values listed above guide the work of faculty and supportive professional staff in our interaction with students and give our decision-making meaning.
1.2 Dental Hygiene Learning Outcomes and Program Goals

Learning Outcomes
The Dental Hygiene Program faculty will immerse students in educational experiences that prepares the student to achieve the following learning outcomes:

1. Provide the public with compassionate and competent dental hygiene care founded on evidenced-based scientific knowledge as an essential component of comprehensive interprofessional health care and community-based health care.
2. Demonstrate effective decision-making skills through the use of the critical thinking process.
3. Explore the complexities of ethical decision-making as it relates to professional expectations and social responsibility.
4. Commit to leadership, scholarship, and life-long learning to respond to an ever-changing healthcare environment and growing profession.
5. Utilize oral healthcare technology (Health Informatics) to enhance patient care and communication abilities in the professional and practical arenas.
6. Successfully gain access to dental hygiene licensure in the state of choice by completing the national and regional board examinations.

Faculty will participate in leadership and scholarship with the vision of national engagement as an overarching goal.

The Dental Hygiene Program Goals
The dental hygiene program strives to:

1. Be a national leader in dental hygiene education.

2. Offer opportunities to students that are student centered, interprofessional, leadership forward, and diversely experiential in clinical and community settings.

3. Be authentically honest and professional in all relationships.
1.3 Technical Standards

Introduction
Technical standards are the nonacademic functional abilities that are essential for the delivery of effective and safe dental hygiene care. The technical standards listed below identify the skills and behaviors necessary to successfully complete the dental hygiene curriculum and adequately prepare our students for the practice of dental hygiene.

Technical standards review is conducted annually for students.

The Dental Hygiene Program's technical standards are as follows, which a student must meet with or without reasonable accommodations:

Motor Skills / Manual Dexterity
Students must have full manual dexterity including adequate functioning of arms, wrists, hands and fingers. Appropriate psychomotor skills, manual dexterity and motor movement skills are necessary to render clinical dental hygiene treatment while possessing the physical strength to move oneself into a position that will enable the student to provide appropriate dental hygiene care.

The student must be able to:
- Use personal protective devices (tolerate face mask/shield, safety eyewear, surgical gloves and laboratory coat).
- Function in an environment where latex is present.
- Carry out OSHA infection control procedures using cleaners and chemicals.
- Perform dental hygiene procedures (scaling, polishing, x-rays) and manipulate dental materials Access a patient from a seated or standing position.
- Operate switches, knobs, levers in operation of the dental chair and accessory equipment in all clinics and laboratory settings.
- Exhibit sufficient motor function to elicit information from a patient by palpation, auscultation, percussion, and other diagnostic modalities.
- Perceive and interpret tactile vibrations appropriately.
- Manipulate small objects and materials, paying close attention to fine detail. Perform basic life support including CPR.
- Transfer and position patients with disabilities.

Sensory Skills / Observation Skills
A functional use of all senses is required. Visual acuity and intellectual ability are necessary to acquire information from documents such as charts, radiographs, small print, handwritten notations and computer images. Appropriate depth perception with vision from a distance of 18” with or without corrective lenses is essential.

A student must be able to:
- Observe demonstrations at a distance and close at hand.
- Perform procedures in the classroom, clinic area and laboratory setting.
- See fine detail, focus at several distances, discern variations in color, shape and texture in order to differentiate abnormal from normal.
- Discern tactile sensations to perceive and interpret information associated with clinic procedures visually assess, bimanually palpate hard and soft anatomic structures.
- Develop reasonable skills of percussion and auscultation.

**Intellectual Skills / Conceptual and Cognitive Skills**

Consistent, accurate and quick integration of information is required especially in an emergency situation.

The student must:
- Possess the ability to learn, interpret, integrate, analyze and synthesize data
- Possess the intellectual abilities required to carry out reasoning, analysis, problem – solving, critical thinking, self-evaluation and lifelong learning
- Be able to comprehend three dimensional and spatial relationships

**Communication Skills**

A student must:
- Communicate effectively with patients, colleagues, faculty and guests in verbal, nonverbal, and written form.
- Possess sufficient command of the English language in order to retrieve information from lectures, textbooks, and exams.
- Be able to obtain an accurate medical/dental history.
- Be able to accurately record findings in patients’ records.

**Technological Skills**

- A Student must:
- Be able to maintain Electronic Health Record (EMR/HER)
- Navigate Web-based management electronic systems for patient disease risk management, student grading, and communication.
- Be proficient with word processing software.

**Behavioral / Social / Mental / Emotional Skills**

High levels of emotional and mental stability are required on a daily basis.

A student must:
- Demonstrate Emotional Intelligence.
- Demonstrate respect and caring for patients, peers, staff, and faculty.
- Interact with peers, patients, staff and faculty in an emotionally stable, professional, and ethical manner.
- Demonstrate respect for the diversity of cultures among clinical patients, college personnel and peers.
• Demonstrate a team approach in carrying out responsibilities in all settings.
  Endure physically taxing workloads.
• Function effectively under stress.
• Adapt to changing environments by displaying flexibility.
• Display compassion, integrity, concern for others, respect, strong interpersonal skills.
• Be tactful and congenial.
• Be able to accept criticism and respond by appropriate modification of behavior. Be able to interrelate among colleagues, staff, and patients with honesty, integrity, professionalism and nondiscrimination.
• Exercise good judgment.
• Promptly complete responsibilities attendant to the diagnosis and care of patients, and the development of mature, sensitive, and effective relationships with patients.
• Respect the confidentiality of patient privacy.

Other Skills

Students must demonstrate the ability to arrive at their clinical assignments on time and meet the programmatic requirements in a timely, professional and competent manner.

Students will be required to sign a document to attest that with proper training there would be no reason why the student would not be capable of performing the technical standards expected of a student in the UNE Dental Hygiene Program as outlined above, with or without reasonable accommodations.

Accreditation

The University of New England is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Inc., which accredits schools and colleges in six New England states. The Commission on Dental Accreditation accredits the Dental Hygiene Program.

Professionalism

Professionalism is inherent to the practice of dental hygiene. The public has an expectation of what the dental hygienist’s behavior should be, and therefore it is reasonable that the dental hygienist would behave in such a manner and conform to technical and ethical standards of the dental hygiene profession. Professionalism, generally, is defined as exhibiting a courteous, conscientious, and businesslike manner to all patients, peers and faculty. Other characteristics of the professional dental hygienist are being clean, neat, health and prevention orientated, detail conscious, and motivated by service. It is important to realize that professionalism is a mandatory skill that is continually evaluated during your time here as a student (see section 3.28 of the Dental Hygiene Program Policy & Procedures Manual).
1.4 Competencies

**PROFESSIONALISM AND ETHICS**

1. Apply a professional code of ethics in all endeavors.
2. Adhere to state and federal laws, recommendations and regulations in the provision of dental hygiene care.
3. Provide dental hygiene care to promote patient/client health and wellness using critical thinking and problem solving in the provision of evidence-based practice.
4. Assume responsibility for dental hygiene actions and care based on accepted scientific theories and research as well as the accepted standard of care.
6. Advance the profession through service activities and affiliations with professional organizations.
7. Provide quality assurance mechanisms for health services.
8. Communicate effectively with individuals and groups from diverse populations both in writing and verbally.
9. Provide accurate, consistent and complete documentation for assessment, diagnosis, planning, implementation and evaluation of dental hygiene services.
10. Provide care to all patients using an individualized approach that is humane, empathetic, and caring.
11. Pursue continuing education courses and/or higher education that demonstrate a commitment to lifelong learning.

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

1. Provide community oral health services in a variety of settings.
2. Provide screening, referral and education services that facilitate public access to the health care system.
3. Respond to patient or community requests for information about contemporary dental problems.
4. Promote the dental hygiene profession by actively participating in the membership, leadership and/or service in professional organizations.
5. Assess and evaluate community based oral disease prevention strategies that aim to improve the oral health of the public.

**HEALTH PROMOTION AND DISEASE PREVENTION**

1. Evaluate and utilize methods to ensure the health and safety of the patient and the dental hygienist in the delivery of dental hygiene.
2. Evaluate factors that can be used to promote patient adherence to disease prevention and/or health maintenance strategies.
3. Provide educational methods using appropriate communication skills and educational strategies to promote optimal health.
4. Promote preventive health behaviors by personally striving to maintain oral and general health.
5. Identify individual and population risk factors and develop strategies that promote health related quality of life.
PATIENT CARE

1. Assessment
   a. perform a comprehensive examination using clinical, radiographic, periodontal, dental charting, and other data collection procedures to assess the patient's needs
   b. Recognize predisposing and etiologic risk factors that require intervention to prevent disease
   c. Obtain, review and update a complete medical and dental history
   d. Recognize health conditions and medications that impact overall patient care
   e. Identify patients at risk for a medical emergency and manage the patient in a manner that prevents an emergency

2. Diagnosis
   a. Use assessment findings, etiologic factors and clinical data in determining a dental hygiene diagnosis
   b. Identify patient needs and significant findings that impact the delivery of dental hygiene services
   c. Obtain the proper consultations as indicated

3. Planning
   a. Establish a planned sequence of care based on the dental hygiene diagnosis; identified oral conditions; potential problems; etiologic and risk factors; and available treatment modalities
   b. Prioritize the care plan based on the health status and actual and potential problems of the individual to facilitate optimal health
   c. Establish a collaborative relationship with the patient in the planned care to include the etiology, prognosis, and treatment alternatives
   d. Make referrals to other health care professionals
   e. Obtain the patient's informed consent

4. Implementation
   a. Utilize accepted infection control procedures
   b. Obtain diagnostic quality radiographs
   c. Apply basic and advanced techniques of dental hygiene instrumentation to remove deposits without trauma to hard and soft tissues
   d. select and administer appropriate chemotherapeutic agents and provide pre and post treatment instructions
   e. provide adjunct dental hygiene services that are legally permitted
   f. Provide oral health education to assist patients in assuming responsibility for their own oral health

5. Evaluation
   a. Evaluate the effectiveness of the patient's self-care and the dental hygiene treatment in attaining or maintaining oral health
   b. Determine the clinical outcomes of dental hygiene interventions
   c. Develop a maintenance program that meets the patient's needs
   d. Provide referrals for subsequent treatment based on the evaluation findings

* Patient care and community-centered competencies also appear in sections 3.07 and 3.08.
1.5 UNE Dental Hygiene Program Standards of Clinical Practice

The Standards for Clinical Dental Hygiene Practice are a resource for dental hygiene practitioners seeking to provide patient-centered and evidence-based care.

Standard 1: Assessment

The collection and analysis of systematic and oral health data in order to identify client needs.

1. HEALTH HISTORY: Data on health status are comprehensive and include information on the patients’ general health, oral health, and behavioral patterns.
   - Demographic Information
   - Vital Signs
   - Physical Characteristics
   - Social history
   - Medical history
   - Pharmacologic history

2. CLINICAL ASSESSMENT: Planning and providing optimal care require a thorough and systematic overall observation and clinical assessment.
   - Examination of the head and neck and oral cavity, including oral cancer screening.
   - Complete, and diagnostic set of radiographs.
   - A comprehensive periodontal examination
   - A comprehensive hard-tissue evaluation.

3. RISK ASSESSMENT: Qualitative and quantitative evaluation based on health history and clinical assessment to identify any risks to general and oral health. Factors that should be evaluated to determine level of risk (high, moderate, low) include but are not limited to:
   - Fluoride exposure, tobacco exposure
   - Nutrition history
   - Systemic disease/conditions
   - Prescriptions/over the counter drugs
   - Salivary function
   - Age, gender, genetics and family history
   - Habit and lifestyle behaviors
   - Physical disability
   - Psychological, cognitive, and social considerations

Standard 2: Dental Hygiene Diagnosis

The identification of an individual’s health behaviors, attitudes, and oral health care needs for which a dental hygienist is educationally qualified and licensed to provide. The dental hygiene diagnosis provides the basis for the dental hygiene care plan.

I. Analyze and interpret all assessment data.
II. Formulate the dental hygiene diagnosis or diagnoses.
III. Communicate the dental hygiene diagnosis with patients or clients.
IV. Determine patient needs that can be improved through the delivery of dental hygiene care.
V. Identify referrals needed within dentistry and other health care disciplines based on dental hygiene diagnoses.

[https://www.adha.org/resources-docs/7111_Dental_Hygiene_Diagnosis_Position_Paper.pdf](https://www.adha.org/resources-docs/7111_Dental_Hygiene_Diagnosis_Position_Paper.pdf)

**Standard 3: Planning**

Planning is the establishment of realistic goals and the selection of dental hygiene interventions that can move the client closer to optimal oral health. The dental hygiene treatment plan is derived from the dental hygiene diagnosis and includes goals, priorities, dental hygiene procedures and patient action.

I. Identify all needed dental hygiene interventions.
II. In collaboration with the patient and/or caregiver prioritize and sequence the interventions.
III. Identify and coordinate resources needed to facilitate comprehensive quality care.
IV. Collaborate and work effectively with the dentist and other health care providers and community based oral health care programs to provide high-level, patient centered care.
V. Present and document dental hygiene care plan to the patient/caregiver.
VI. Counsel and educate the patient/caregiver about the treatment rationale, risks, benefits, anticipated outcomes, evidence-based treatment alternatives, and prognosis.
VII. Obtain and document informed consent and/or informed refusal.

**Standard 4: Implementation**

The act of carrying out the dental hygiene care. Care should be delivered in a manner that minimizes risk; optimizes oral health; and recognizes issues related to patient comfort including pain, fear, and or anxiety.

I. Review and confirm the dental hygiene care plan with the patient/caregiver.
II. Modify the plan as necessary and obtain additional consent.
III. Implement the plan beginning with the mutually agreed upon first prioritized intervention.
IV. Monitor patient comfort.
V. Provide any necessary post-treatment instruction.
VI. Implement the appropriate self-care intervention; adapt as necessary throughout future interventions.
VII. Confirm the plan for continuing care or maintenance.
VIII. Maintain patient privacy and confidentiality.
IX. Follow up as necessary with the patient (post treatment instruction, pain management, self-care)

**Standard 5: Evaluation**

Evaluation is the measurement of the extent to which the client has achieved the goals specified in the dental hygiene care plan. The dental hygienist uses evidence-based decisions to continue, discontinue, or modify the care plan based on the ongoing reassessments and subsequent diagnoses. Evaluation occurs throughout
the process as well as at the completion of care.

I. Use measurable assessment criteria to evaluate outcomes.
II. Communicate to patient, dentist, and other health care providers the outcomes of dental hygiene care.
III. Evaluate patient satisfaction of the care provided through oral and written questionnaires.
IV. Collaborate to determine the need for additional diagnostics.
V. Self-assess the effectiveness of the process of providing care, identifying strengths and areas for improvement.

Standard 6: Documentation

The primary goals of good documentation are to maintain continuity of care, provide a means of communication and to minimize the risk of exposure to malpractice claims.

I. Document all components of the dental hygiene process of care (assessment, dental hygiene diagnosis, planning, implementation and evaluation) including purpose of the patient’s visit in the patient’s own words.
II. Objectively record all information and interactions between the patient and the practice. (phone calls emergencies, failure to return for treatment, follow through)
III. Record legible, concise and accurate information. (dates and signatures)
IV. Recognize ethical and legal responsibilities of recordkeeping including guidelines outlined in state regulations and statutes.
V. Ensure compliance with HIPPA.
VI. Respect and protect the confidentiality of patient information.

Resource: Adapted from the American Dental Hygienist Association Standards of Applied Dental Hygiene Practice

1.6 Accreditation

The University of New England is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Inc., which accredits schools and colleges in six New England states. In 2018, the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) completed a corporate restructuring to align with the US Department of Education’s requirement that the higher education commission (CIHE) operate as a “separate and independent” entity. CIHE now operates as the New England Commission of Higher Education, Inc. (NECHE) and they continue to operate as NEASC. Complying with this legal requirement ensures that NECHE will remain the gatekeeper for access to federal financial aid by students of New England’s colleges and universities.

The American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation CODA accredits the Dental Hygiene Program.
1.7 Licensure

The licensing process for dental hygienists includes the successful passing of the written Dental Hygiene National Board Examination as well as the successful passing of all required regional or state licensing examinations. Fees for licensure are determined by individual states.

Licensure Statement

UNE's Dental Hygiene Program is aligned with state licensure requirements in Maine. If you are considering obtaining state licensure outside of Maine, we encourage you to research the state licensing requirements for the state in which you intend to practice as these requirements vary from state to state. To learn more about each state's licensure requirements please visit our Licensure Notification page and select your licensure program. We also encourage you to discuss any questions you may have about this matter with your program's department chair/program director.
1.8 **Baccalaureate Degree in Dental Hygiene**

The University of New England offers students the opportunity to pursue a bachelor of science that fully prepares students to take the licensure examinations to become registered dental hygienists. The degree conferred is a Bachelor of Science with a Major in Dental Hygiene.

**Bachelor of Science Degree Completion**

The Bachelor of Science completion program includes advanced education in dental hygiene skills and prepares students for a broader range of careers in dental hygiene, community health, administration or research.

1.9 **Student Expenses**

All students enrolled in the Dental Hygiene Program are **required** to purchase/rent books, testing packages and other necessary items, such as instruments, as deemed appropriate by dental hygiene faculty. The largest expense for students will occur at the beginning of the fall semester of the junior year. It is at this point students will begin their clinical experiences and will need to purchase the necessary instruments. The cost incurred will be approximately $6,000.

The faculty requires the bookstore to purchase specific, high quality instruments; and the faculty has determined that the items in the bookstore are necessary for skill development as a dental hygiene student.

Additionally, the program has been able to negotiate warranty extensions and generous instrument return policies that are not available to students who purchase outside of this system. Students must have safe quality instruments for learning. Students without them will be prohibited from participating in clinical sessions.

An organized Board Review is recommended and varies in cost, however, plan for a range of $500-$1,000 for online or in person registration, travel and lodging.

Students planning to take board exams in the fourth year should also plan on testing fees of approximately $1,500-$2,000.

1.10 **Student Members of the American Dental Hygiene Association**

Students enrolled in clinical dental hygiene courses may become members of the Student Members of the American Dental Hygiene Association (SMADHA). This Association provides the student with the opportunity to be involved in both campuses as well as district activities. Monthly meeting times are posted in advance in the Grace Coleman Dental Hygiene Building.

1.11 **American Dental Hygienists’ Association Code of Ethics for Dental Hygienists**

1. **Preamble**

As dental hygienists, we are a community of professionals devoted to the prevention of disease and the promotion and improvement of the public’s health. We are preventive oral health professionals who provide educational, clinical, and therapeutic services to the public. We strive to live meaningful,
productive, satisfying lives that simultaneously serve our profession, our society, the world, and us. Our actions, behaviors, and attitudes are consistent with our commitment to public service. We endorse and incorporate the Code into our daily lives.

2. Purpose

The purpose of a professional code of ethics is to achieve high levels of ethical consciousness, decision-making, and practice by the members of the profession. Specific objectives of the Dental Hygiene Code of Ethics are:

- To increase our professional and ethical consciousness and sense of ethical responsibility.
- To lead us to recognize ethical issues and choices and to guide us in making informed ethical decisions.
- To establish a standard for professional judgement and conduct.
- To provide a statement of the ethical behavior the public can expect from us.

3. Basic Beliefs

The following beliefs guide the practice of dental hygiene and provide context for ADHA Code of Ethics:

- The services we provide contribute to the health and well-being of society.
- Our education and licensure qualify us to serve the public by preventing and treating oral disease and helping individuals achieve and maintain optimal health.
- Individuals have intrinsic worth, are responsible for their own health, and are entitled to make choices regarding their health.
- Dental hygiene care is an essential component of overall healthcare and we function interdependently with other healthcare providers.
- All people should have access to healthcare, including oral healthcare.
- We are individually responsible for our actions and the quality of care we provide.

4. Fundamental Principles

UNIVERSALITY

The principle of universality assumes that, if one individual judges an action to be right or wrong in a given situation, other people considering the same action in the same situation would make the same judgment.

COMPLEMENTARITY

The principle of complementarity assumes the existence of an obligation to justice and basic human rights. It requires us to act toward others in the same way they would act toward us if roles were reversed. In all relationships, it means considering the values and perspectives of others before making decisions or taking actions affecting them.

ETHICS

Ethics are the general standards of right and wrong that guide behavior within society. As generally
accepted actions, they can be judged by determining the extent to which they promote good and minimize harm. Ethics compel us to engage in health promotion/disease prevention activities.

COMMUNITY

This principle expresses our concern for the bond between individuals, the community individuals, the community, and society in general. It leads us to preserve natural resources and inspires us to show concern for the global environment.

RESPONSIBILITY

Responsibility is central to our ethics. We recognize that there are guidelines for making ethical choices and accept responsibility for knowing and applying them. We accept the consequences of our actions or the failure to act and are willing to make ethical choices and publicly affirm them.

5. Core Values

INDIVIDUAL AUTONOMY AND RESPECT FOR HUMAN BEINGS

People have the right to be treated with respect. They have the right to informed consent prior to treatment, and they have the right to full disclosure of all relevant information so that they can make informed choices about their care.

CONFIDENTIALITY

We respect the confidentiality of client information and relationships as a demonstration of the value we place on individual autonomy. We acknowledge our obligation to justify any violation of a confidence.

SOCIETAL TRUST

We value client trust and understand that public trust in our profession is based on our actions and behavior.

NONMALEFICENCE

We accept our fundamental obligation to provide services in a manner that protects all clients and minimizes harm to them and others involved in their treatment.

BENEFICENCE

We have a primary role in promoting the well-being of individuals and the public by engaging in health promotion/disease prevention activities.

JUSTICE AND FAIRNESS

We value justice and support the fair and equitable distribution of healthcare resources. We believe all people should have access to high-quality, affordable oral healthcare.

VERACITY
We accept the obligation to tell the truth and assume that other will do the same. We value self-knowledge and seek truth and honesty in all relationships.

1.12 Professionalism

Professionalism is inherent to the practice of dental hygiene. The public has an expectation of what the dental hygienists’ behavior should be, and therefore it is reasonable that the dental hygienist would behave in such a manner and conform to technical and ethical standards of the dental hygiene profession. Professionalism, generally, is defined as exhibiting a courteous, conscientious, and businesslike manner to all patients, peers and faculty. Other characteristics of the professional dental hygienist are being clean, neat, health and prevention orientated, detail conscious, and motivated by service. It is important to realize that professionalism is a mandatory skill that is continually evaluated during your time here as a student (see section 3.28).

1.13 Social Media

Social media has the potential to harm our patients, ourselves, and our places of work. It is important to understand the HIPAA law and its ramifications. Shared photographs and our words in text messages, tweets etc. have the potential to harm others. Please use discretion and professionalism in all your actions because the public, which we serve, holds our behaviors to a higher standard.

The following are guidelines for UNE Dental Hygiene students/faculty and staff who participate in social media. Social media includes personal blogs and other websites, including Facebook, LinkedIn, MySpace, Twitter, YouTube or others. These guidelines apply whether students are posting to their own sites or commenting on other sites: Other consequences include loss of employment and reputation of dental hygienist.

1. Follow all applicable UNE Policies. For example, you must not share confidential or proprietary information about UNE and you must maintain patient/client privacy. Among the policies most pertinent to this discussion are those concerning patient/client confidentiality, (HIPPA), mutual respect, UNE Student Handbook, dental hygiene program policy of no photography and video in the clinic, and use of patient/client information and likenesses.

2. Where your connection to UNE is apparent, make it clear that you are speaking for yourself and not on behalf of UNE. In those circumstances, you should include this disclaimer: "The views expressed on this [blog; website] are my own and do not reflect the views of UNE/DH.

3. If you identify your affiliation to UNE/DH, your social media activities should be consistent with UNE/DH and Dental Hygiene’s high standards of professional conduct.

4. If you communicate in the public internet about UNE/DH or UNE related matters, you must disclose your connection with UNE and your role at UNE.

5. Be professional, use good judgment and be accurate and honest in your communications; errors, omissions or unprofessional language or behavior reflect poorly on UNE/DH, and may result in liability for you or UNE. Course or program dismissal may be a consequence of unprofessional behaviors in all venues.

6. UNE/DH strongly discourages “friending” of patients on social media websites. Students in patient care roles generally should not initiate or accept friend requests except in unusual circumstances such as the situation where an in-person friendship pre-dates the treatment relationship.
7. UNE discourages staff and faculty from initiating “friend” requests with Dental Hygiene students while in the program.

8. Ask UNE/DH leadership for clarification if you have any questions about what is appropriate to include in your social media profile(s).

http://sharing.mayoclinic.org/guidelines/for-mayo-clinic-employees/
## Dental Hygiene Program Full-Time Faculty and Professional Staff

The offices of the faculty and staff of the Dental Hygiene Program can be found in Hersey Hall and the Grace Coleman Building on the Portland Campus. Students are encouraged to meet with faculty and staff as needed. Office numbers, telephone/voice mail numbers and e-mail addresses are listed below.

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1.15 Dental Hygiene Faculty Advisors

Students enrolled in the Dental Hygiene Program are assigned a dental hygiene faculty member to serve as their academic advisor in the junior and senior years. Although academic advisors are available to assist students in fulfilling major and graduation requirements, the ultimate responsibility for these matters rests with the student. Faculty post their office hours for appointments.

Students are encouraged meet with their advisors at least once per semester. It is the responsibility of the student to initiate the meeting schedule with his/her advisor. Faculty serve as secondary advisors or mentors to Freshman and Sophomore students.

1.16 Tutorial / Learning Assistance

The Student Academic Success Center (SASC) offers a comprehensive tutoring program for the content areas, with emphasis upon the sciences, mathematics, and the health professions curriculum. Every effort will be made to provide appropriate tutorial services. Writing assistance is also available through the Student Academic Success Center. Tutoring services are free of charge to all students matriculated in a program at UNE. Current tutor availability is found on une.tutortrac.com where you can search and schedule appointments.

The SASC is located in the Proctor Center, ext. 4247. Room 102

Additional information regarding the Student Academic Success Center can be found in the University of New England Student Handbook and on the UNE web page. https://www.une.edu/SASC

1.17 Student Access Center (Formally the Office for Students with Disabilities)

UNE seeks to promote respect for individual differences and to ensure that no person who meets the academic and technical standards requisite for admission to, and continued enrollment at the University is denied benefits or subjected to discrimination at UNE solely by reason of his or her disability. Any student eligible for academic accommodations due to a documented disability is encouraged to speak with the professor in a timely manner, usually within the first two weeks of classes. Registration with UNE Student Access is required before accommodation requests can be granted. Student Access on the Portland campus is located in the lower level of Ginn Hall and may be reached by calling 221-4438. Student Access on the Biddeford campus is located in the lower level of Stella Maris Room 131 and may be reached by calling 602-2159.

Students with Disabilities
The University of New England is committed to creating a learning environment that meets the needs of its diverse student body and will make reasonable accommodations for students with documented disabilities. Any student eligible for and needing academic adjustments or accommodations because of a disability is requested to speak with the professor at the beginning of the semester. Registration with the Student Access Center is required before accommodation requests can be granted. Visit https://www.une.edu/student-access-center for more information. This statement appears in each course syllabi.

1.18 Student Attendance/ Respectful Behaviors/ Attire

Attendance

All students are expected to attend all courses for which they have registered. Attendance policies regarding
absences are established and announced by the individual instructor for his/her classes. If a student is absent to the extent that his/her work is adversely affected, the instructor will report the student’s absence to the department chair/program director with comments on the status of the student in the course. Such report will be documented in the Navigate advising platform.
Whenever a student is specifically reported in writing by an instructor to the department chair/program director as being excessively absent from class, clinic or lab, the instructor, with the approval of the department chair/program director, may drop the student from that course with an appropriate grade. (UNE Student Handbook)


UNE – The Dental Hygiene Program follows all CDC, State of Maine and UNE protocols. [https://www.une.edu/onward](https://www.une.edu/onward)

**Respectful Behavior**

*Respect for faculty, staff, students, patients and other health care professionals*

Students are expected to demonstrate respectful behavior at all times toward the faculty, staff, students and patients at the University of New England and other institutions on or affiliated with the University of New England.

The student body, faculty and staff represent a diverse group. Respect for and understanding of individuals from diverse backgrounds is a part of a university education. Prejudices against individuals because of race, ethnic or cultural background, gender, disability or other personal characteristics will not be tolerated from UNE Dental Hygiene students.

Students are expected to display mature judgment and abide by the reasonable decisions communicated by faculty and staff. Profane language or disrespectful behavior by students is unacceptable. Faculty and staff members work to provide a quality educational program for dental hygiene students. Misunderstandings, changes in curricula or mistakes in administrative aspects of the program will occur from time to time. Appropriate mechanisms exist to communicate student concerns about the operation of the school through dental hygiene faculty members, administrators, student government members and student representatives on school committees.

The dignity and respect of all health care practitioners and caregivers must be acknowledged, promoted and upheld.

**Attire**

*University of New England Dental Hygiene Program Dress Code*

The Dental Hygiene Program recognizes that appropriate personal appearance creates a favorable impression on the College and the dental hygiene profession in general. The dress code is based on the theory that learning to use socially acceptable manners and selecting attire appropriate to specific occasions and activities are critical factors in the total educational process. Understanding and employing these behaviors improves the quality of one's life, but also contributes to optimum morale, as well as embellishes the overall campus image.
Dress codes also play a major role in instilling a sense of integrity and an appreciation for values and ethics.

The continuous demonstration of appropriate manners and dress insures that the dental hygiene students meet the very minimum standards of quality achievement in the social, physical, moral and educational aspects of their lives - essential areas of development necessary for propelling students toward successful careers. As well, faculty, visitors, patients, families, health care sites and accrediting agencies justifiably expect strict standards to be maintained. This dress code applies at all times when the student is on the UNE Campuses and to any situation where patient care activities occur or the occurrence of direct patient or healthcare professional contact can be reasonably assumed. These instances would include but not be limited to all off campus program sponsored experiences. In the absence of a stated policy for an individual course or setting, the following dress code will apply:

**A. General Personal Care**

1. Maintain good personal hygiene, which includes regular bathing, use of deodorants and regular oral hygiene.
2. Hair should be neat and clean. Hair longer than shoulder length should be secured away from the face if close contact with patients is anticipated. Beards and mustaches must be clean and well groomed.
3. Perfume or cologne is not recommended, as many people are allergic or sensitive to them.
4. Cosmetics should be used in moderation.
5. Fingernails must be clean, neatly trimmed, and short in length.
6. Tattoos must be covered.
7. Jewelry in pierced noses, lips, tongues and other exposed body areas, other than ears is not permitted.

**B. Appropriate Attire**

1. Clean, business casual styled clothing.
2. An undershirt should be worn if undergarments are visible through clothing.
3. Knee-length or longer skirts for women when worn.

**C. Inappropriate Attire**

1. Hats, caps, bandanas, hoods or head scarves (except if considered part of religious or cultural dress).
2. Sweatpants, sweatshirts, pajamas, spandex, exercise attire or jeans with holes, rips, fading or excessive wear or frayed hems.
3. Tank, mesh, halter or tube tops, spaghetti straps, showing of midriff or breast cleavage.
4. Flip-flops, slippers or bare feet.
5. Shorts or skorts.
6. Shirts with inappropriate or vulgar lettering or messages.

The Dental Hygiene Program and its preceptors reserve the right to require students who are in violation of the dress code to remove the inappropriate item(s) or leave the learning or patient care environment. All administrative, faculty and support staff members will be expected to monitor student’s behavior applicable to this dress code and report such disregard or violations to Office of the Director.

Provided to you as a professional level dental hygiene student is your clinic name tag to be worn any time you are on the clinic floor. It is your responsibility to keep that tag for identification during labs and patient care. If you lose your name tag you will be responsible for ordering a new one through the Dental Hygiene professional support staff at a cost to you. Being able to be recognized as a dental hygiene student is your professional responsibility. If a lost tag is not replaced in a timely manner it will be reflected in the appropriate portion of your clinic/lab grade/s for that semester and every other that it continues to be an issue during.
Dress Code - Oral Health Center

Because the professional appearance and demeanor of all members of the UNE College of Dental Medicine oral health care team contributes to and influences the perception of quality patient care, faculty, students, and staff are required to maintain proper dress, personal hygiene, and a well-groomed professional appearance at all times by following the UNE CDM dress code (below).

All students, faculty, and staff are required to wear UNE identification badges in a visible location. During patient care, the ID badge can be secured under the disposable clinic gown for infection control reasons.

The dress code below serves as a guideline for these standards. When there is a doubt about a particular aspect of the dress code, individuals are urged to make choices that most closely align with the College’s mission, values, and vision statements. These guidelines are in effect from 7:30 AM until 5:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Faculty, staff, and students attending or working for weekend events or programs are expected to follow this code.

If a conflict arises between this policy and the College’s Infection Control Policies, Infection Control Policies will prevail.

**Standard Attire: Campus**

Students, faculty, and staff should be appropriately dressed at all times. All clothing should be clean, neat, and in good repair.

Appropriate attire **does** include:
- A visible official school identification badge, worn above the waistline at all times
- Pants/slacks
- Dress shirt with collar
- Polo shirt with collar
- Ties are encouraged but not required
- Sweaters/jackets
- Blouses/tops with modest necklines. Sheer fabrics must be layered.
- Skirts or dresses long enough to allow for modesty and comfortable movement
- Dress shoes, clogs, or boots. Shoes must be a solid material and closed-toe to provide protection against accidental puncture or injury. Socks, hose, or stockings must cover exposed skin and ankle.
- Hats are to be worn outside only
- Body piercing jewelry and all visible body piercings must be removed other than the maximum of 2 holes/earlobes. No bars, dermal anchors, or gauges.

Appropriate attire **does not** include:
- Caps or any type of hat worn inside
- Jeans, leggings, cargo pants, or shorts
- Sweatshirts, sweatpants, or hoodies
- Midriff tops
• T-shirts
• Tank tops, halter tops, exposed bra straps
• Athletic shoes
• Open-toes shoes, sling-backs, sandals, flip-flops, Crocs

**Personal Hygiene**

**Hair**
- Hair must be clean and neatly groomed at all times
- Facial hair must be kept neat, clean, and well-trimmed

**Personal Cleanliness**
- Adequate precautions must be taken to maintain good personal hygiene to prevent body odors
- No perfumes, colognes, or scented body lotions as patients may have allergies

**Oral Health Center Attire**

Standard attire as described above will be worn in the Oral Health Center. Additional requirements are:
- Men must wear a dress collared shirt
- Ties are encouraged but not required
- Shoes must be a solid material and closed-toe, heel, and side to provide protection against accidental puncture or injury.
- Socks, hose, or stockings must cover exposed skin and ankle.
- Students will wear clean, ironed white coats when greeting the patient, while chair-side for patient interviews, and when planned patient contact does not involve a potential for splatter
  - White coats should not be worn out of the Oral Health Center unless for a specific event

Personal Hygiene as described above will be followed. Additional requirements are:

**Hair**
- During simulated or live patient care, shoulder-length hair must be secured so that it is back and out of the field of operation and does not require handling during the treatment procedure

**Fingernails and Hands**
- Hands and fingernails are to be immaculately clean, short (nails), and well-maintained
- No nail polish
- Rings that may tear or puncture clinic gloves cannot be worn

**Personal Cleanliness**
- No gum chewing

All students, faculty, staff, and volunteers are expected to comply with the CDM Oral Health Center’s infection control policy by wearing personal protective equipment as described below.
**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

All students, faculty, staff, and volunteers are expected to comply with the CDM Oral Health Center’s Infection Control Policy by wearing appropriate personal protective equipment whenever skin, eye, mucous membrane, or parenteral contact with blood or saliva can reasonably be anticipated. Determining the proper outer garment PPE typically rests upon whether the planned patient contact involves a potential for splatter. Disposable gowns should be changed for each clinic session or more often if visibly soiled. These gowns must be removed and properly disposed of when departing the patient treatment area.

**Scrubs**

The University of New England College of Dental Medicine has a no scrubs on campus policy. The one exception is in the anatomy lab in Biddeford.

**Anatomy Lab Attire**

Please consult the Anatomy Lab Syllabus/Safety Protocols for the lab dress code. Students are required to wear scrubs. Anatomy lab coats are not required, but students are encouraged to wear additional layers underneath scrubs to provide warmth. Students are required to change clothes immediately following Anatomy Lab. Details regarding appropriate cadaver laboratory attire are below:

- Scrubs with full length pants – **NO** shorts or skirts permitted, even if made from scrub material. *Scrubs are available in the campus bookstore (no specific color required)*
- Close-toed shoes (no Crocs)
- Safety glasses for splash protection must be worn and are available in the lab
- Nitrile (non-latex) gloves must be worn while dissecting. *Nitrile gloves can be purchased online or in the bookstore. Make sure they are non-latex.*
- Long hair must be tied back, away from the face. Long necklaces should be removed.
- Contact lenses are **NOT** advised, as they are permeable to volatile compounds and may result in injury.

**Special Occasions**

The Dean may announce/allow attire reflective of a special holiday at his/her discretion during the year. This dress must not interfere with job function or the educational process and must not pose a safety risk or violation of infection control guidelines. Furthermore, he/she may also require a particular form of dress for special dental school events.

**Dress Code Enforcement**

The spirit of the dress code is intended to support the professional image of the dental students, faculty, staff, and volunteers as well as the image of the College of Dental Medicine. Additionally, the stated guidelines provide for patient, student, faculty, and staff safety. It is hoped that the dental
school community will cooperate by complying with the code by self-regulation. If self-regulation fails, immediate supervisors will become involved in the enforcement process and the following actions may be taken:

- Warnings and other disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment.
- Denials of access to clinics, classrooms, and/or laboratories.
- If a warning is given, compliance with the UNE CDM Dress Code is expected within 24 hours of the warning. If patient care is involved, the individual may be required to leave the specified area immediately.
- Continued violations by:
  - Students are managed by their Group Practice Leader and the Assistant Dean of Student Affairs.

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1.19 Student Messages

If an emergency situation arises, please instruct individuals to call the following telephone numbers and leave the appropriate message. The Dental Hygiene Program encourages you to provide those who may need to contact you with a copy of your school schedule. This will assist those involved in determining where you can be found in case of an emergency.

**Dental Hygiene Program Staff: (207)-221-4471** (Please do NOT call the general clinic number as your message may not be retrieved immediately)

UNE Security Office: 207-602-2298  
UNE Switchboard: 207-283-0171 (UC)  
207-797-7261 (WCC)

DH Office Manager: 207-221-4278

**Student Absences: See Illness Notification Policy 3.01** – In the event of illness please call the Dental Hygiene Program directly by calling the clinic staff line at 207-221-4471. Messages left at switchboard or sent by classmates are unacceptable and will result in grad reduction in professionalism. Inform the clinical course directors as noted on the course syllabus.

1.20 Grading Policy, Withdraw F “WF” Policy, and Progression Policy

**Grading Policy**

Methods of grading and evaluation will be clearly documented in each course syllabus and reviewed with the students by the course director. The course director will determine what methodology will be used when assigning grades.

The following grading scale is in effect for dental hygiene courses:

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**Co-Requisite Courses**

The Dental Hygiene Program requires that students receive a grade of C or better in all dental hygiene and science courses. If a C or higher is not achieved in co-requisite courses both components must be repeated. **Students may repeat a dental hygiene course once.**
“WF” Policy

Withdrawing from a course after the without-penalty-date may result in a “WF” on the transcript and does affect the student’s calculated GPA. A “WF” is an unsatisfactory grade and will be calculated as such, in all dental hygiene and science courses and will count as an attempt at course completion and result in a repeat course. **Students may repeat a dental hygiene course once.**

However, withdrawing from courses may cause an interruption in the progression of the student in the program and seats in subsequent years cannot be guaranteed.

Progression Policy

If the student does not achieve a grade of C or better the second time a course is taken he/she will be dismissed from the program.

In many instances, courses serve as prerequisites for upper level courses; thus, slowing down the students’ progression through the required dental hygiene and science courses. The Dental Hygiene Program cannot guarantee that courses that need to be repeated will be offered in a timely or convenient manner. Scheduling conflicts may occur, as well as seats cannot be guaranteed in subsequent classes.

An unsatisfactory grade “WF” and/or a grade below C in two or more dental hygiene or science courses in a single semester will result in program dismissal.

1.21 Program Probation and Remediation Policy

Probation Policy

Any dental hygiene student whose grade falls below a 74, at any time, will be placed on program probation until the GPA has been brought up. Notice of probation comes to the student in the form of a letter from the program director as a result of academic action.

Remediation Policy

The Dental Hygiene Program will remediate students and retest under the following circumstances.

Exam Remediation and Quiz Retest Procedure
If a student fails an exam, (a score of 73 or lower) they will be sent written notice and be required to visit the SASC for help and must send confirmation of that visit to the course instructor before the next exam. An action plan for help will be developed by the student in consultation with the instructor.

If the student fails a second exam, they must again, after written notice, visit the Student Academic Success Center and provide confirmation of that visit and new action/study plan to their course director. The student must also meet one on one with the course instructor to review the test or seek help from the peer tutor and send that confirmation to the course instructor.

Failure of a 3rd exam will necessitate meeting with the course instructor and the Program Director.

If a student fails quizzes (a score of 73 or lower), quizzes may be remediated and retested at the discretion of the course instructor based on overall class outcome and the opportunity will be afforded equally to all students who scores meet the criteria.
Course Remediation Procedure
The Dental Hygiene Program allows for remediation activity and reassessment prior to issuing a final course grade following unsuccessful achievement of course criteria. Permission for remediation must be granted by the program director and the course director with a plan articulated and agreed upon by the student, course director, and program director expressing dates and duration of the remediation. Criteria for eligibility include:
- Students attendance in the course must follow guidelines within the course syllabus
- Student must follow remediation policy
- Student must be passing the course at the final exam or
- Be within 2 points of passing the course after the final examination.

1.22 University Academic Probation
A student whose grade point average (GPA) for any semester falls below 1.70 or whose cumulative grade point average is below the minimum acceptable level is automatically placed on probation. A student placed on academic probation will be granted one fall or spring semester to raise his/her cumulative GPA to the minimum acceptable level and will be required to achieve a minimum GPA of 1.70 for the semester. Failure to meet both of these criteria will result in automatic dismissal from the University due to academic deficiency. (University of New England Undergraduate and Graduate Program Catalog)

1.23 Resolution of Differences
Students are encouraged to maintain open communication with faculty members. If matters arise concerning course work, grades or conflicts, students must follow the appropriate channels to assist in conflict resolution. Conflicts are resolved using the appropriate channels in the order listed below:

1. Meet with faculty member involved in course
2. Talk with faculty advisor
3. Meet with the Program Director
4. Follow additional steps outlined in UNE Student Handbook

1.24 Academic Honesty & UNE’s Dental Hygiene Testing Policy
Academic Honesty – Charges of academic dishonesty will be handled through the Dental Hygiene Program Faculty and Program Director and referred to the Dean of the appropriate College, according to the UNE Student Handbook. Examples of academic dishonesty include:
1. Cheating, copying, or the offering or receiving of unauthorized assistance or information.
2. Fabrication or falsification of data, results, or sources for papers or reports.
3. Action which destroys or alters the work of another student.
4. Multiple submission of the same paper or report for assignments in more than one course without permission of each instructor.
5. Theft of personal property from students or clinic.
6. Plagiarism, the appropriation of records, research materials, ideas, or the language of other persons or writers and the submission of them as one’s own.

Punitive action may be taken by the Program Director or as outlined in the UNE Student Handbook. The UNE Dental Hygiene Program aims to provide a testing environment which most closely replicates the testing experience of the National Dental Hygiene Board Exam (NDHBE). The NDHBE does not allow any of the following during examination, and thus neither does the UNE Dental Hygiene Program:
• Cell phones
• Watches
• Other electronic devices
• Food/drink in the testing area
• Ear phones
• Ear pieces (ie Bluetooth devices)
• Any items in the testing area not directly necessary for the examination itself (ie tissue boxes, glasses cases, pencil boxes)
• Discussion of any kind either with fellow test takers or the test proctor
• Looking at another test taker’s answers

When completing an exam in ExamSoft:
• All students are to exit the exam room upon completion
• Students must show the test proctor the “Green screen” signifying successful upload of the exam prior to leaving the testing room

1.25 Academic and Disciplinary Appeals Policy

Students are advised to review the Academic and Disciplinary Appeals Policy stated in the UNE Student Handbook.

1.26 Incomplete Grading Policy

Incomplete grades are only granted under extenuating circumstances in consultation with the Program Director.

1.27 Substance Use and Abuse Policy

Students found to be or suspected of being under the influence of an intoxicating substance will be escorted from the building by campus security. Student’s behavior will be reported to the Program Director for disciplinary action.

The use of tobacco by students is strongly discouraged. As health professionals, please guard against odors on the hair and clothing that are unpleasant and unhealthy; including the odor of tobacco smoke. If the odor of smoke is present the student will be dismissed from clinic and counted as an unexcused absence.

Students in need of substance abuse treatment or counseling are urged to take the necessary steps to do so. Guidance may be received from the Campus Health Center, the Dean of Student Affairs or the Dental Hygiene Program Director.

UNE Tobacco Policy:

Effective July 1, 2014, the University of New England is a tobacco and smoke-free campus. Smoking of tobacco or other substances and use of all tobacco products, including electronic cigarettes will not be permitted anywhere or anytime on the University campuses. This includes all parking lots, (including personal vehicles), buildings, residence halls and their grounds, clinics, laboratories, classrooms, private offices, balconies, roofs,
plazas, vestibules, loading docks, sidewalks, and on any other campus property, as well as within close proximity to or causing the obstruction of any building entrance, covered walkway or ventilation system. Please note FDA approved nicotine replacement therapy products will be permitted.

Signs are posted at each building’s entrances and displayed in prominent, visible areas to inform all individuals entering or occupying UNE property that smoking and tobacco products are prohibited. This policy applies to all University of New England sites within and outside Maine.

The UNE Community will fully implement this policy related to smoking and tobacco use. All vendors and contractors retained by UNE will ensure that this policy is implemented when their employees are visiting or working on UNE property.

1.28 Health Examination and Immunization Status

Students are required to follow the University of New England and the Dental Hygiene Program policies in regard to physical examinations and immunizations. The Dental Hygiene students are required to show proof of having received the Hepatitis B vaccine and other required immunizations as well as the results of an annual TB test. See University Immunization Policy.  

The University of New England will require all students enrolled in classes on UNE’s campuses and all on-campus employees to be vaccinated for COVID-19 before the start of the fall 2021 semester. Please visit for more info: https://www.une.edu/news/2021/university-new-england-require-covid-19-vaccines-fall-2021

1.29 Students with Disabilities

Any student documented to need special services must contact the Student Access Center. The Dental Hygiene Program will follow any SAC recommendations that are brought forth.

1.30 Sexual Harassment Policy

University Policy on Harassment:

Consistent with state and federal law, the University of New England does not, under any circumstances, tolerate or condone harassment of its students on the basis of race, sex, handicapping conditions, religion, age, ancestry, national origin, or sexual preference. In keeping with efforts to promote and maintain an environment in which the dignity and worth of all people is respected, the University of New England considers harassment of students unacceptable and cause for serious disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal from the University. For more information, please refer to the University of New England’s Student Handbook.

1.31 Violence in the Workplace Policy

In the event of violence in the workplace UNE Security must be called at ext. 366 using a UNE phone or 207-283-0176 from a cell phone. If violence threatens a person’s physical well-being, be that of student, faculty, or patient, then UNE Security must be called, as well as the Portland Police at 911.

An incident report must be filled out and filed with the program director as soon as possible to report an incident of violence.
1.32 Campus Parking

Various parking lots are available to students around the University campuses. Vehicles must have a current parking decal and be parked in lots designated for student parking.

The Department of Safety and Security provides on-campus vehicle and pedestrian escorts to University members during the hours of darkness on a time available basis. On the Portland Campus, dial ext. 2298 and request an escort.

1.33 Children on Campus Policy (UNE Student Handbook)

The University of New England is a diverse environment of classrooms, offices, laboratories, recreational and other common areas. Visitors to campus are welcome and encouraged. However, appropriate precautions and limitations on visitation are necessary to protect health and safety and to maintain productivity and regulatory compliance. The University of New England values its students and employees and strives to support them in an environment where we balance work and family.

Safety is always a primary concern when considering the presence of children (and other visitors) on campus. A number of our facilities are not designed for unsupervised public access and therefore maintain the same appropriate limited access to children/visitors as at other academic institutions. Employees and students must understand their responsibility for supervision of their child. To this end, the University has instituted the following guidelines to ensure the safety and welfare of our employee or students’ children (or visitors).

Student Guidelines:

1) A child should not be left unattended while the parent or guardian is attending class or conducting any other business or social function on campus;

2) Line of sight supervision by the parent or guardian is required at all times;

3) Children are not allowed in the high-risk areas:

   a) Laboratories, shops, studios, mechanical rooms, power plants, garages, docks, food preparation areas, and fitness centers.

   b) Any areas, indoors or out, containing power tools or machinery with exposed moving parts.

   c) UNE vehicles, boats, or other motorized equipment; excepting incidental travel in a University car, truck or van, consistent with the UNE Travel Policy.

   d) Any other high-risk areas (no playing in stairwells, elevators or doorways, no access to rooftops, construction zones, etc.).

4) Children are not allowed in classrooms while classrooms are in session unless the faculty member grants permission. Should a child become disruptive, the student and child may be asked to leave.

https://www.une.edu/sites/default/files/personnel_handbook.pdf

1.34 Policy on Visitors and Observers in the Dental Hygiene Clinic

Due to the potentially hazardous environment of the clinical treatment area and acknowledging the responsibility of the faculty and staff to render quality care to patients through direct and attentive supervision of dental hygiene students, the following policies are in effect:

1. All visitors/observers must register with a dental hygiene program staff member upon arrival. The staff will indicate to the visitor the time restrictions depending on the intent of the visit.

2. Clinical course directors will be notified by the front desk personnel regarding expected or unanticipated visitors. The director of the clinic on any given day will assist and escort the visitor to assure compliance with clinic protocol and to conduct the visit in the least disruptive manner possible.

3. Visitors are to remain away from the treatment area when observing students. Observers are to respect the confidential nature of the relationship between the student operator and patient and are to refrain from interfering in the treatment with excessive verbal communication.

Visitors are defined as any individual not currently enrolled in or employed by the University of New England, Westbrook College Campus Dental Hygiene Program. Licensed dentists and dental hygienists serving as volunteer faculty are not to be considered under the status of visitors per se. However, items #1 and #2 do apply to all.

1.35 UNE Facilities

The Dental Hygiene Program encourages students to utilize the various facilities available on the Portland Campus including:

- Alexander Hall – Dining Center
- Alumni Hall
- Art Gallery
- Campus Center
- Computer Services
- Counseling Center
- Dental Hygiene Clinic
- Financial Aid
- Finley Center
- Health Center
- Innovation Hall
- Josephine S. Abplanalp Library
- Oral Health Center
- Parker Pavilion
- Registrar’s Office
- Student Academic Success Center
- Student Access Center

1.36 Complaints Policy

“The Commission on Dental Accreditation will review complaints that relate to a program’s compliance with the accreditation standards. The Commission is interested in the sustained quality and continued improvement of dental and dental-related education programs but does not intervene on behalf of individuals or act as a court...
of appeal for individuals in matters of admission, appointment, promotion or dismissal of faculty, staff or students.”

A copy of the appropriate accreditation standards and/or the Commission’s policy and procedure for submission of complaints may be obtained by contacting the Commission at 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611-2678 or by calling 1-800-621-8099 Ext. 4653.

Taken from: American Dental Association Commission of Dental Accreditation, Evaluation Policies and Procedures. Reaffirmed: August 2015

1.37 Course Transferability Notice

The Commission on Dental Accreditation requires that the Dental Hygiene Program inform students and applicants of the transferability of course work. The UNE Undergraduate catalog states: Courses completed at another accredited college can be transferred to this degree program. Transferred courses must be reasonably close in scope and content to the required courses offered at UNE in order to count as exact equivalents. Otherwise, they may transfer as general electives. All courses completed must be no older than five years. Other restrictions apply. http://www.une.edu/registrar/2017-2018-academic-catalog/undergraduate-catalog/dental-hygiene
1.38 DENTAL HYGIENE CLINIC HIPAA POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

The UNE Dental Hygiene Clinic complies with all HIPAA regulations.

Dental Hygiene Program Policies- Patient Records

1. Patient records will only be used for educational purposes if they have been effectively de-identified or appropriate written authorization has been received from the patient.
2. Patient records will not leave the Grace Coleman Building and will be reasonably secured when not in use.
3. All junior and senior dental hygiene students will be instructed in how to maintain the Dental Hygiene Program and Clinic HIPAA policies and procedures including de-identification, safe guarding patient information and research (if needed) through their identified dental hygiene courses.
4. All junior and senior dental hygiene students, staff and faculty will be required to read the Dental Hygiene Program HIPAA Manual.

Dental Hygiene Program Procedures for Training

1. Faculty and staff and student training will be conducted on an annual basis.
2. HIPAA training will be included in the curriculum of all dental hygiene junior students. Updating of any changes in HIPAA policies will be held for faculty and staff before the beginning of the academic year and anytime throughout the year if changes are made.
3. HIPAA training updates will be conducted for junior and senior dental hygiene students prior to their first clinical session in the fall.
   4. Read the HIPAA manual.

Front Desk Protocols

1. New patients will be given UNE’s Notice of Privacy Practices at time of check-in. Returning patients will only receive the Notice of Privacy Practices if the document has been revised since last signature. Patients will then sign the Acknowledgement of Receipt electronically once seated with the student clinician.
2. If the acknowledgement cannot be obtained, a good faith effort should be made to obtain an authorization. If the authorization cannot be obtained, the reason will be documented in the patient’s chart.
3. The student clinician will be notified through the computer when their patient has checked in. The student will then walk the patient down to the front desk at time of completion to review services done during their appointment.
4. When scheduling patients at the front desk, staff will be cautious about revealing any Protected Health Information.
5. A generic message will be left on patients’ answering machines if necessary. Message will say, “This is the UNE Dental Hygiene Clinic calling to confirm your appointment tomorrow. If you cannot keep this appointment, please call us at 221-4900.
6. All discussions with or about patients will be limited to the dental hygiene program offices.
7. Everything is done electronically; however, any remaining paper charts are stored behind locked doors for 7+ years, depending on DOB at time of last appointment.
8. A cover sheet will accompany all faxes sent from the DH Clinic.

**Clinical Protocols**

1. UNE DH Clinic complies with HIPAA through the use of privacy screens on all computers around the perimeter of the clinic.
2. The Appointment Book screen of the clinical computers will be minimized unless faculty/students are checking on their patient status.
3. The screen saver will come up on all clinical computers when not in use in order to ensure the privacy of Protected Health Information.
4. Cubicles protect patient’s privacy and Protected Health Information (PHI).
1.39 Dental Hygiene Professional Conduct Contract

Dental Hygiene Professional Conduct Contract

1. Attendance policy:
   a. I understand that attendance is mandatory.
   b. I understand my absence from clinic/lab (on site or off) will affect my grade.
   c. I know I must be present 20 minutes (30 minutes for ICM1 / ICM2) prior to the start of my clinic session and that I must stay until the close of my clinic session.
   d. I know I must contact both the clinical course director (by e-mail) and the front desk administrator in the event that my absence is unavoidable. Consequences for noncompliance will be entered as a zero for the day and will significantly lower my grade.

2. Professional conduct
   a. I understand that I must dress professionally whenever I represent the UNE dental hygiene program on or off campus. Professional attire will be dictated by circumstances and as published in the Dental Hygiene Program Policies and Procedures Manual. Further requirements may be added by each course director.
   b. I understand the dental hygiene profession demands appropriate behavior at all times. I will be respectful, honest, polite and professional to all individuals as required by the American Dental Hygiene Code of Ethics.
   c. I understand that offensive language, gestures, behavior and tone will not be tolerated.
   d. I understand that infection control protocol and HIPAA will be enforced.
   e. Cell phone use is prohibited on the clinic floor and classroom unless otherwise authorized in each instance by clinic supervisor or course director.
   f. Use of laptops or other electronic devices is strictly limited to academic endeavors.
   g. Consequences for noncompliance will result in dismissal for the session, will be entered as a zero for the session/day and will significantly lower my grade.
   h. I understand and will follow the terms of the Social Media Policy. (see Sec. 1.11.1)
   i. I have read and understand the Program Policies and Procedures Manual and will abide by all policies.

I have read the Dental Hygiene Policies and Procedures Manual and I understand its contents.

________________________________________
Signature

________________________________________
Date
1.40 CPR Certification

All students, faculty and support staff/front office staff involved with the direct provision of patient care must be continuously recognized / certified in basic life support procedures, including cardiopulmonary resuscitation. A course is offered annually for certification.

1.41 Formative Evaluation Policy

Formative evaluation is part of all University of New England dental hygiene program courses. Faculty will include formative evaluation early in the course and with frequency; these opportunities provide occasion for the student to self-evaluate their studying methods and adjust accordingly before a high stakes examination or competency. Formative evaluation offers chances to gauge success. Faculty will have the discretion to design formative evaluation methods either with quizzes or home assignments as examples. Please see each individual course syllabus for further information on each course.

1.42 Athletic Competition and Class Attendance

The Dental Hygiene Program is supportive of UNE dental hygiene students who are athletes. It is incumbent up athletes to inform their dental hygiene faculty of potential and real commitments around the sports schedule. Having knowledge will help the faculty plan for the students to make up examinations. Student athletes are responsible for obtaining all materials relevant to the course in the normal activity of class interaction. The following UNE Academic Policy will be observed by the Dental Hygiene Program.

“When an athlete misses class for a scheduled varsity intercollegiate competition, it is an excused absence. The student athlete should not suffer any academic penalty because of this absence. This policy does not apply to students on clinical rotations.

When such absences occur, the student athlete is responsible for initiating collaboration with faculty and making arrangements to obtain all information and/or training contained in each missed class. The athlete must make arrangements to take exams scheduled for a day of absence early or late, at the instructor's preference. All assignments must be handed in on time.

Faculty are not required to remediate student athletes as a result of these absences.”

Reference: 2019-2020 Academic Catalog
Heather Davis, Assistant Athletic Director can be contacted if additional information regarding policy is needed or contact Dennis Leighton NCAA Compliance Officer and UNE Athletic Faculty representative.

1.43 Local Anesthesia Policy (Second Semester Seniors)

This policy is in place to ensure the safe delivery of local anesthesia to clinical patients and for the student to stay on track with the competency skills assessments. All senior students must comply with the following to implement the privilege to deliver local anesthesia in the last semester of their senior year.
The student will successfully complete:

- The fall course DEN 456 Pain Management.
- The laboratory section of the Pain Management course and/or a remedial spring section of DEN 456 Pain Management.
- The CDCA Local Anesthesia Examination for Dental Hygienists scoring a 75% or better with a deadline of February 1st, of the spring semester.

Those completing the remedial course will consult with the program director and the clinical course director to map a plan for successful completion of local anesthesia competencies prior to the CDCA patient examinations. The CDCA requires documentation of completion of the CDCA LA Examination from UNE Dental Hygiene Program for the student to practice pain management during the patient portion of the examination.
SAFETY PROGRAM
2.1 Introduction

The Dental Hygiene Program at the University of New England strives to provide a safe and healthful environment for patients, faculty, staff and students. We do this by following specific guidelines in all activities where there is a risk or potential risk of infection.

This workplace safety program applies to students, staff, faculty, patients and observers in the clinic / laboratory setting. To ensure that all involved are knowledgeable of the specifics contained in the plan, training sessions will be conducted by experienced faculty for the students, staff and faculty. This will occur at the beginning of each academic year, or more often, if necessary.

The components of an effective workplace safety program are:
1. General Housekeeping
2. Infection/Exposure Control Plan/Bloodborne Pathogen Standard
3. Safety Standard
4. Hazard Communication Standard
5. Health and Safety committee to monitor compliance.
6. OSHA Training

Chemical Hygiene Plan

It is the policy of University of New England to take every reasonable precaution to provide a work environment that is free from recognized health and physical hazards for its employees in accordance with the General Duty clause of the OSHA Act (Public Law 91-596, Section 5(a) (l)). University of New England is also required by the OSHA Laboratory Standard to ensure that the necessary work practices, procedures and policies are implemented to protect laboratory employees from all potentially hazardous chemicals in use in their work area.

University of New England has established the University-wide Safety Committee with the responsibility to promote safe and proper chemical management at all University of New England Campuses and related facilities. The Charter of the University-wide Safety Committee is reprinted in Appendix A of this document. The Dental Hygiene Program has developed a Chemical Hygiene Plan.

Chemical Hygiene Addendum

This report is available on the desktop of the computer station at the entrance of the clinic floor. An addendum pertaining to our storage of compressed air is also on the desktop. The full Chemical Hygiene Plan is available for review on the UNE Environmental Health & Safety website at http://www.une.edu/campus/ehs.

Definition of a Hazardous Material

The US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) considers a substance hazardous if it can catch fire, if it can react or explode when mixed with other substances, if it is corrosive, or if it is toxic. When handled safely such substances are minimally hazardous. However, if improperly handled, such items can damage health and well-being and negatively affect the environment. Most sources indicate that there are seven basic classes/types of hazardous materials.
1. Flammable Materials – Included are any gases, vapors, liquids or solids which ignite easily and can burn rapidly after being exposed to an ignition source.
2. **Spontaneously Ignitable Materials** – A few liquids and solids can ignite in the absence of an ignition source. Sufficient heat to cause ignition can be generated within the material by oxidation or microbial action.

3. **Explosives** – Some chemicals as a result of impact/shock, heat or another mechanism (e.g., electric charge) can detonate.

4. **Oxidizers** – Some chemical can at room temperature or upon heating generate oxygen, which is hazardous because of its adverse tissue reactions and/or flammability.

5. **Corrosive Materials** – A number of solids, liquids or gaseous chemicals can damage skin rapidly upon contact. Such chemicals also react negatively with environmental surfaces, such as metals.

6. **Toxic Materials** – Such materials are commonly referred to as poisons. They can produce a variety of adverse health reactions, even death in relatively small amounts.

7. **Radioactive Materials** – Some materials spontaneously release energy as they decay into more stable atomic forms. Severe health consequences, even death, can occur when radioactive materials are improperly handled. Ionizing radiation safety is addressed in the UNE Environment Health and Safety Manual in chapter 14 and can be linked through this address: [http://www.une.edu/sites/default/files/UNE%20Safety%20Manual_MAY%202017.pdf](http://www.une.edu/sites/default/files/UNE%20Safety%20Manual_MAY%202017.pdf)

### 2.2 Transmission of Bloodborne Pathogen Diseases

The carriers of certain diseases cannot always be readily identified through the medical history, or even lab tests. Blood, saliva, and gingival fluid from all dental patients should be considered infective. The following precautions must be routine to prevent the transmission of bloodborne pathogens in the clinical setting. The most common concern is to control the transmission of HBV, the hepatitis B and C viruses; HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.

### 2.3 Viral Hepatitis

Viral hepatitis is a primary infection of the liver caused by one of three distinct viruses. The four forms that are currently recognizable are type A, type B, non-A and non-B (NANB or type C), and delta (HDV).

Type A hepatitis is transmitted by fecal-oral route, with food or water contaminated by human waste being the major mode of transportation. No hepatitis-A carrier status has been documented, and the virus disappears from the person’s blood upon recovery.

Non-A, non-B hepatitis (HCV) can be diagnosed by a blood test. It was first described in patients who receive routine blood transfusions and is now believed to be responsible for 80-90 percent of the post-transfusion hepatitis cases. It is becoming increasingly apparent that an infectious carrier state must exist in asymptomatic individuals.

Hepatitis B (HBV) is transmitted by blood and saliva along with other bodily secretions. This is the type of hepatitis that we are most concerned with. The hepatitis-B virus carries the hepatitis-B core antigen (HBcAg) and the hepatitis-B surface antigen (HBsAg). The presence of HBcAg indicates intact virus when associated with HBsAg. The HBsAg is a marker used to identify persons who are possibly affected with HBV, with or without clinical symptoms, and who may be transmitting the virus.

Antibodies to both HBsAg and HBcAg also can be detected in human blood. Anti-HBs (surface antibody) can be found in the blood following infection and may persist for years. It can also be detected in people who have not had clinical hepatitis. This core antibody (Anti-HBc) is usually found during the active phase of acute hepatitis.
Clinically, hepatitis-B cannot be distinguished from other forms of hepatitis. Five to ten percent of patients who contract hepatitis-B enter a chronic state and carry HBsAg in their blood for longer than sixteen weeks. People who become carriers of HBsAg may be infectious for as long as a lifetime.

Delta hepatitis virus (HDV) originally called the delta agent was discovered in 1977. HDV depends on HBV for clinical expression. In North America HDV appears to be confined to groups with frequent percutaneous exposures such as IV drug users and hemophiliacs. Hepatitis relating to delta infection occurs in two primary modes. The first mode is simultaneous infection with HBV and HDV. When this occurs, the acute clinical course of hepatitis is often limited with resolution of both HB and HD infections, although fulminant hepatitis may develop. The second mode involves acute delta super-infection in HbsAg carriers.

These patients are more likely to have a serious and possible acute fulminant form of hepatitis that often leads to chronic delta infection. Some of these patients will become carriers of HDV as well as HBV. HDV is defective in that it requires HBV as a helper virus for replication. Immunization to HBV confers protection against clinical exposure of a delta hepatitis infection.

2.4 HIV Infection

AIDS is the abbreviation for acquired immunodeficiency syndrome. With this disease, there is a defect in natural immunity. As a result, a person with AIDS becomes ill with diseases that would not be a threat to anyone whose immune system was functioning normally.

AIDS is caused by a virus that can infect certain cells of the immune system. It can also infect nerve cells in the brain and other parts of the central nervous system. This virus has been named the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)

Blood tests can detect antibodies to HIV in 6 to 12 weeks after infection. After antibodies are detected, there may be no other indication of infection for two or more years. Symptoms of HIV infection may appear 2 to 10 years or later after the time of infection. Each year after infection, an average of 5% of adults who are infected have developed AIDS. No group of infected persons has been studied long enough to document how long risk persists or what percentage will eventually develop AIDS.

In 1988, health care workers who were stuck with a needle contaminated with the blood of patients infected with HIV had less than a 1% (0.5%) chance of becoming infected with HIV. By December 1994, 42 well-documented occupational HIV cases, with 91 possible occupational transmissions of HIV, were reported to the CDC. None of the documented occupational sero-conversions occurred in dental care workers. Although your risk of becoming infected with HIV through your work is very low, you have a much higher risk (up to 30%) of becoming infected with hepatitis B virus (HBV).

Protect yourself from coming into direct contact with blood. Apply the concept of standard precautions – that is, protect yourself from the blood of every patient.

2.5 Vaccinations

To minimize the possibility of transmitting any pathogen, the following steps shall be taken:

Vaccines

Faculty and students must be vaccinated against hepatitis. The vaccine consists of a series of three injections followed by a blood test to establish an antibody titer. The entire series and titer must be
completed during the student’s first year at UNE. Documentation may be submitted to the health center. The vaccine must be completed prior to entering the clinical sequence DEN 309. Request for special exceptions need to be discussed with the course director.

2.6 Other Vaccines

Students and faculty must also be immunized and up-to-date on vaccines. On December 26, 1997, the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) and the Hospital Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC) for Immunization of Health Care workers reiterate that dental professionals are at risk for exposure to and possible transmission of vaccine-preventable diseases. Maintenance of immunization is an essential part of prevention for DHCWs.

A history of immunization will be obtained at the time of enrollment or initial employment. Based on documented nosocomial transmissions, dental health care workers are considered at significant risk for acquiring or transmitting HBV, influenza, measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella. (OSAP Research Foundation, 1997) Healthcare workers are also at risk for acquiring Hepatitis C. Hepatitis B, rubella, measles, mumps, influenza, polio, and varicella are recommended vaccines for oral health care workers.

2.7 Testing for TB

*All students must be up-to-date with their annual TB test in accordance with section 1.27.*

2.8 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Dental health care workers must wear protective attire such as eye wear or a chin-length shield, disposable gloves, a disposable surgical quality mask, and protective clothing when performing procedures capable of causing splash, spatter, or other contact with body fluids, and / or mucous membranes. Protective attire must also be worn when touching items or surfaces that may be contaminated with these fluids, and during other activities that pose a risk of exposure to blood, saliva or tissue.

**Gloves** are single use items and must not be reused. Single use gloves may not be washed, disinfected or sterilized. They may be rinsed with water only to remove excess powder. Torn or compromised gloves must be replaced immediately. Non-latex or disposable medical quality gloves will be used for patient exams and procedures. Hands must be washed after glove removal and before re-gloving. Specific procedures for infection control will be provided in DEN 309.

**Surgical masks** that have at least 95% filtration efficiency for particles 3-5 micron in diameter must be worn whenever splash or spatter is anticipated. Masks should be changed for every patient or more often, particularly if heavy spatter is generated during treatment. Some literature suggests masks should be worn a maximum of 20 minutes in areas of high humidity, and a maximum of 60 minutes in dry climates. Masks should be handled by touching the periphery only, avoiding handling of the body of the mask.

Masks should not contact the mouth while being worn as the moisture generated will decrease the mask filtration efficiency, a mask should be selected that conforms well to the shape of the face. A face-shield does not substitute for a surgical mask.

**N95** N95 respirators and surgical masks are examples of personal protective equipment that are used to protect the wearer from airborne particles and from liquid contaminating the face. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) also regulate N95 respirators.
Protective eyewear must have solid side-shields and be decontaminated by immersion in a cleaning agent between patients. A face-shield may substitute for protective eyewear. If protective eyewear or a face-shield is used to protect against damage from solid projectiles, the protective eyewear should meet American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Occupational and Educational Eye and Face Protection Standard (Z87.1-2010) and be clearly marked as such.

Protective clothing must have a high neck and protect the arms if splash and spatter are reasonably anticipated. Cotton or cotton/polyester or disposable clinic jackets or lab coats are usually satisfactory attire for routine dental procedures. The type and characteristics of protective clothing depend on the type of exposure anticipated. Gowns or jackets worn as protective attire should be changed at least daily, or more often if visibly soiled. Protective gowns or covers must be removed before leaving the work area. Protective attire may not be taken home and washed by employees. It may be laundered in the office if equipment is available and standard precautions are followed for handling and laundering contaminated attire. Contaminated linens transported away from the office for laundering should be in appropriate bags to prevent leaking, with a biohazard label or appropriately color-coded, unless the laundry facility employees practice universal precautions in the handling of all laundry. Disposable gowns may be used but must be discarded daily or more often if visibly soiled.

Utility gloves that are puncture-resistant, a mask, protective clothing and protective eyewear must be worn when handling and cleaning contaminated instruments, when performing operatory cleanup, and for surface cleaning and disinfecting. Utility gloves must be discarded if their barrier properties become compromised. Utility gloves, protective eye wear or face shields, and masks must be worn when mixing and / or using chemical sterilants or disinfectants. Used utility gloves must be considered contaminated and handled appropriately until properly disinfected or sterilized.

Lead apron with thyroid collar is used for the patient during the exposure to any radiation.

High gauntlet heat resistant gloves that must be used when operating the autoclaves.

Eyewash stations are marked and located throughout the clinic and lab. These give continuous eyewash.

Fire Extinguishers are to be used by trained personnel in case of fire.

Utility gloves are mandatory for handling contaminated materials and / or sharps.

2.9 Standard Precautions

Standard Precautions as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) must be used in all patient care in dentistry. This term refers to a set of precautions designed to prevent transmission of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), hepatitis B virus (HBV), and other bloodborne pathogens in health care settings. Under standard precautions, blood and saliva (in dentistry) of all patients are considered potentially infectious for HIV, HBV, and other bloodborne pathogens. Standard precautions means that the same infection control procedures for any given dental procedure must be used for all patients. Thus, the required infection control policies and procedures to be used for any given dental procedure are determined by the characteristics of the procedure. Therefore, standard precautions are procedure specific, not patient specific.

Not all infected patients can be identified by a thorough medical history, examination or even laboratory tests; therefore, it is essential to adhere to a routine set of precautions for all patients.
Always obtain a thorough medical history. Include specific questions about medications, current and recurrent illnesses, hepatitis, unintentional weight loss, lymphadenopathy, oral soft tissue lesions, or other infections. When the medical history reveals an active infection, or a communicable disease occurring within the past three months, medical consultation with the patient’s physician is indicated.

Dental healthcare workers should wash hands before donning gloves, upon removal of gloves, and after inadvertent barehanded touching of contaminated surfaces or objects.

Use of antimicrobial soap for invasive procedures is required. Sinks, paper towels, soaps and antiseptic hand rubs (60-90% alcohol) are conveniently located throughout the clinic for use. A foot-activated sink is available in the instrument preparation room. Vigorously rubbing lathered hands together for 15 seconds before thoroughly rinsing under a stream of water is adequate for routine handwashing; dry hands thoroughly, before donning gloves. Prior to the intra-oral examination it is recommended that the patient rinse with an antimicrobial mouth rinse for one minute to reduce the level of microorganisms present.

2.10 Sterilization, Disinfection

The policy of the University of New England, Westbrook College of Health Professions Dental Hygiene Program is to sterilize, in a steam autoclave, all instruments, equipment and supplies used in patient care, including handpieces. Disposable items are used extensively to eliminate the use of chemical disinfectant for objects. Surfaces are disinfected and covered where appropriate.

Before sterilization, instruments are cleaned to remove debris. Cleaning is accomplished by using an ultrasonic cleaner and/or washer/disinfector. Persons involved in cleaning and decontaminating instruments must wear glasses, masks and heavy-duty rubber gloves to prevent hand injuries. Metal and heat-stable dental instruments are routinely sterilized between use by steam under pressure. Persons removing instruments from the autoclave must wear high gauntlet, heat resistant mittens to prevent burns. The adequacy of sterilization cycles in each autoclave is verified by internal cassette integrators, heat sensing tape, and the weekly use of spore-testing with control devices. Results are posted in the instrument preparation room. Instruments are stored in a sterile area inside the wrapped cassette with controlled access to prevent contamination.

Dental units, computers, sealant lights, radiographic equipment and other equipment used during patient care must be thoroughly disinfected after each use and/or wrapped with a plastic barrier prior to seating the next patient.

At the completion of work activities all countertops and surfaces are cleaned and disinfected.

2.11 Sterilization Procedures

The following procedures are used by the UNE Dental Hygiene Clinic to provide a safe environment for the provision of dental hygiene services:

1. All instruments, handpieces, and prophy angles are sterilized according to standard procedures, unless they are disposable, in which case they are discarded promptly.

2. The autoclaves are cleaned according to manufacturer’s specification and filled with fresh distilled water.
3. Biological monitoring of the autoclaves is conducted in this manner: Vials containing dual species spores are sterilized weekly. They are then incubated (in house) for one week. Incubated spores are monitored every 24 hours for presence of bacterial growth (determined by color change compared to a control spore).

4. Contaminated instruments are ultrasonically cleaned for 6 minutes prior to wrapping with sterilization wrap or cleaned with the instrument washer / disinfector. An integrator strip is inserted in each cassette and then are marked with heat sensitive tape or enclosed in an autoclave bag printed with a heat indicator strip.

5. The sterile instruments are kept in individual shelving compartments in the clinic. This storage space must be kept closed when not in use.

2.12 Waste Management

Students and faculty will keep the clinic in a clean sanitary condition. Anyone handling waste must wear glasses, lab attire and heavy-duty utility gloves.

Waste containers are the foot-operated, covered style to minimize the transfer of disease through handling of waste. They are labeled with a biohazard sign, with an explanation that the waste contained is not “biomedical” according to the Maine Department of Environment Definition, but, may contain saliva and small amounts of blood, so caution is advised.

These containers are to be tied twice before disposal, emptied frequently and the bags are to be thrown down the trash chute or placed in the trash pick-up area outside the compressor room.

2.13 Biomedical Waste

Biomedical Waste

Most of the waste generated by the Dental Hygiene Clinic is not “biomedical” according to State Department of Environmental Protection definition: Waste saturated with human blood, blood products, or body fluids is considered biomedical waste. These may include items such as sponges, extracted teeth, surgical gloves and masks, drapes, aprons, dressings, disposable sheets and towels and plastic tubing. Biomedical waste must be placed in sealed, sturdy, impervious red bags to prevent leakage of the contained items. Such contained solid wastes can then be disposed of following appropriate UNE procedures.

Spills

In the event of an accidental spill of chemicals, trash, glass or bodily fluids the following procedure must be followed, using utility gloves, glasses, and mask:

1. Determine nature of spill and contact facilities as needed.
2. Obtain spill kit located in the Instrument preparation room.
3. Refer to the S.D.S. provided by the manufacturer for proper use of spill kit and handling of spill.
4. Treat broken glass as a contaminated sharp, and place in the labeled sharps container.

Hazardous Materials

The fixer solution and the lead foil used in radiography are considered hazardous material. This must be emptied into a container labeled with the contents, stored only until the container is ¾ full, then promptly removed by maintenance personnel to be disposed of in accordance with Dept. of Environmental Protection requirements. Other chemicals shall be disposed of as directed in the S.D.S. provided by the manufacturer.

¹ The intent is to include waste which at time of generation is soaked or dripping with human blood, blood products or body fluids.

2.14 Sharps

Sharp items (needles, dental hygiene instruments, and other sharp instruments) should be considered as potentially infective and must be handled with extraordinary care to prevent unintentional injuries.

Disposable syringes, needles and other sharp items must be placed into puncture resistant containers located as close as practical to the area in which they are to be used. To prevent needle stick injuries, disposable needles should not be recapped with two hands but instead the one-handed “scoop” technique should be employed. The disposable needle should not be purposefully bent or broken, removed from disposable syringes, or otherwise manipulated by hand after use.

Recapping of a needle increases the risk of unintentional needle stick injury. The one-hand “scoop” technique must be employed.

Because certain dental procedures on an individual patient may require multiple injections of anesthetic or other medications from a single syringe, the one-hand “scoop” technique is a prudent technique to employ. The “scoop” technique in which the needle cap has been placed on the instrument tray and following the injection, the administrator simply slides the needle tip into the cap (without touching the sides), scooping up the needle cap. This technique can be used for multiple injections without increased risk of needle stick injury. The now capped needle is discarded in a sharps container.

Sharps Container

All sharp items should be considered potentially infective and should be handled and disposed of with special precautions by wearing glasses, mask, gloves and utility gloves. They should be placed intact into puncture resistant containers before disposal.

2.15 Infection Control Considerations During Patient Treatment

- Standard precautions are to be followed with every patient.

- Gloves, masks, protective eyewear and clothing are to be worn throughout patient care procedures.

- When patient care is interrupted gloves should be removed, hands washed and dried, and new gloves donned before continuing patient care.
• Record handling – records used for teaching purposes in the clinical setting are to be considered contaminated. Gloves must be worn in all phases of record handling. The outside of the record folder, sleeve, or cover is to be protected from contamination for safety in handling by all record handlers. Further minimized contamination by using a barrier where hand rests on record.

• Use barrier technique wherever possible, (i.e., wrap sealant lights, ultrasonic scaling units, all switches and handles.)

• Handle sharps as outlined above.

• Treatment gloves should not be washed because the soap degrades the integrity of the barrier.

• Impression trays: after an impression has been taken rinse with water to remove saliva, blood, and debris. Place the impression in a baggy and spray with disinfectant allowing it to stand for at least 10 minutes.

• Never handle contaminated instrument tips

• In order to minimize exposure-prone procedures, the use of a mirror for retraction, rather than the operator’s finger, during scaling and root planing is recommended.

• Instruments are to be placed on a tray or cassette, NEVER pass a sharp instrument to an assistant, student or instructor.

When treating patients requiring the exposure and developing of dental radiographs: follow the procedural guidelines for infection control located in the Dental Hygiene Program Radiology Manual.

2.16 Exposure Control Plan

Exposure-prone procedures include digital palpation of a needle tip in a body cavity or the simultaneous presence of the worker’s fingers and a needle or other sharp instrument or object in a poorly visualized or highly confined anatomic site. Performance of exposure-prone procedures presents a recognized risk of percutaneous injury to the worker, and, if such an injury occurs, the worker’s blood is likely to contact the patient’s body cavity, subcutaneous tissues, and / or mucous membranes. Being “exposed to blood” means having blood, blood-contaminated saliva, or a blood-contaminated object come into contact with broken skin or mucous membranes, or pierce the skin as through a needle stick or puncture. If a puncture with a needle or instrument occurs, the site of the wound and the glove, if it occurs on the hand, must be carefully examined to determine if a puncture has occurred. A surface scratch or torn glove alone is not an “exposure to blood.”

If despite the use of universal precautions, percutaneous or mucosal exposure to any blood occurs, the persons exposed to blood must immediately wash the area thoroughly with soap and water. The incident will be documented in writing by the student and faculty involved using the Incident Report Form. The Clinical Supervisor will provide a form to note the type of exposure (percutaneous or mucosal), type and amount of body fluid, and the circumstance leading to the exposure.

The forms will be given to the Program Director to be included in a confidential file. The Exposure Control flowchart is posted on the clinic floor.
2.17 Exposure to Blood

Flow Chart Protocol for UNE

1. **Determine if Percutaneous Exposure* has occurred.**
   A torn glove or a surface scratch is not an exposure.

2. **Wash Site with Soap and Water**

3. **Fill out Incident Report appropriate to location**
   With faculty assistance, report form is located and documented; if no exposure, document that fact.

4. **Pretest Counseling Student, Faculty, or Staff and Source (If known)**
   Under the supervision of the clinical supervisor or designee, complete consent and lab referral forms.

5. **Referral of Student, Faculty, or Staff and Source (If Known) for Testing**
   A. Student, faculty, staff or source may see their own private physician.
   B. Students may access testing through the campus Student Health Center.
   C. Faculty, staff or source may access testing at Brighton Campus, MMC. This is coordinated by the front desk personnel. Students may also access Brighton Campus in the event the Student Health Center is closed.
   D. If source known HIV infected, Post Exposure Prophylaxis Consultation within 24 hours2 or go to Brighton Campus of MMC or MMC Emergency Room.

6. **Post Test Counseling With the Program Director or Designee**

7. **Retest 6 weeks, 3 and 6 Months**
   Consultation with physician

* Or other type of exposure to Blood


2.18 Occupational Exposure Referral

- When a student has an exposure in clinic, the course director needs to be notified immediately, or the designated substitute.
- Each course director or designee will have a packet of information to be used for this incident.
- The patient may go either to their private physician or Brighton Medical Center with the appropriate form. The college pays for the cost of the testing. The student may go either to their private physician, WCC Health Center (if open) or Brighton Medical Center with appropriate form.
If the student has an exposure with a known HIV patient, he/she should immediately contact their private physician or go to either the Brighton or Maine Medical Center emergency room.

The WCC Health Center should be notified each time it is necessary to send a student off campus for blood work.

Extra forms will be stored in the Dental Hygiene Program Administrative Office. Please inform the assistant to the director if the supply of forms runs low.

2.19 Hospital Addresses

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2.20 Accident and Injury Policy

Following any accident or injury, the appropriate parties must complete a Dental Hygiene Incident Report. Forms may be obtained from the Dental Hygiene Program Administrative staff.

2.21 Bloodborne Pathogen Standard

Federal Blood Borne Pathogen Standards will be referenced during OSHA training. 
http://www.osha.gov

2.22 Emergency and First Aid Equipment and Procedures

The emergency first aid kit is located in a mobile cart in a central area on the clinic floor. It is labeled as such, near the center of the clinic for easy access during all clinical or laboratory sessions. A first aid kit is present in the lab.

An oxygen tank and ambu-bag are centrally located on the clinic floor.

Barriers for use during CPR are located near the oxygen tank and in a central location. A blanket is also located in the mobile cart.

There is a direct line phone on the clinic floor. Dial 911 in case of emergency. The phone is RED and is located near the main entrance and exit of the clinic. There is an additional cordless phone centrally located on the clinic floor.

Procedures for specific medical emergencies are outlined in detail in the section of this manual labeled Medical Emergencies.

All faculty and students must know and recognize that “Code Red” means a medical emergency is occurring and taking immediate action is required.
2.23 Hazard Communication and Safety Program

The University of New England Dental Hygiene Program has a system to ensure that potential hazards associated with the use, storage and disposal of chemicals is continually evaluated and that information is made available. The important components of the program are as follows:

1. **List of Chemicals** used in the department. This list is kept with all Safety Data Sheets (S.D.S.), as the table of contents in a binder.

2. **Safety Data Sheets (S.D.S.)** These sheets contain information on each chemical used in the department. They are kept in a red binder labeled “Safety Data Sheets” and is located at the entrance of the clinic floor for easy access at all times. The binder is reviewed and updated regularly with all the relevant information about the chemicals that we use or have stored in our facility. The S.D.S. are provided by the manufacturer and provide details on proper handling, storage, disposal and hazards associated with each chemical.

3. **Labeling.** Proper labels ensure a safe environment. Each container must be labeled with the identity of the chemical, the appropriate hazard warning and the name and address of the chemical manufacturer. Unlabeled or improperly labeled containers may not be used at any time in the dental hygiene facility.

4. **Training.** All students and employees of the University of New England Westbrook College Campus Dental Hygiene Program must be knowledgeable of the components of the Hazard Communications and Safety Program. This is accomplished through classes, clinical sessions and annual orientation of faculty by the Dental Hygiene Program Director.

2.24 Definition of a Hazardous Material

The US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) considers a substance hazardous if it can catch fire, if it can react or explode when mixed with other substances, if it is corrosive, or if it is toxic. When handled safely such substances are minimally hazardous. However, if improperly handled, such items can damage health and well-being and negatively affect the environment. Most sources indicate that there are seven basic classes/types of hazardous materials.

1. **Flammable Materials** – Included are any gases, vapors, liquids or solids which ignite easily and can burn rapidly after being exposed to an ignition source.

2. **Spontaneously Ignitable Materials** – A few liquids and solids can ignite in the absence of an ignition source. Sufficient heat to cause ignition can be generated within the material by oxidation or microbial action.

3. **Explosives** – Some chemicals as a result of impact/shock, heat or another mechanism (e.g., electric charge) can detonate.

4. **Oxidizers** – Some chemical can at room temperature or upon heating generate oxygen, which is hazardous because of its adverse tissue reactions and/or flammability.

5. **Corrosive Materials** – A number of solids, liquids or gaseous chemicals can damage skin rapidly upon contact. Such chemicals also react negatively with environmental surfaces, such as metals.
6. **Toxic Materials** – Such materials are commonly referred to as poisons. They can produce a variety of adverse health reactions, even death in relatively small amounts.

7. **Radioactive Materials** – Some materials spontaneously release energy as they decay into more stable atomic forms. Severe health consequences, even death, can occur when radioactive materials are improperly handled.

### 2.25 Health and Environmental Hazards Reactions to Combinations

Some chemicals are hazardous by themselves. Chemicals can become hazardous or even more dangerous when mixed in certain combinations. An example would be the adding of a flammable liquid to a non-flammable toxic material. The threat to human health and the environment would be greatly increased if such a mixture were to ignite. Sometimes when chemicals are mixed, new possibly hazardous products are the result. There are four possible scenarios for such actions.

1. **Nothing** – The mixing of chemicals often fails to reduce any new or more hazardous materials.

2. **Toxic Material Formation** – Incorporation of hazard or even initially benign chemicals can result in the formation of a toxic material or materials. Such mixtures are not always planned and can be the result of poor employee training and failure to read chemical labels/warning symbols and SDS.

3. **Flammable or Explosive Material Formation** – Mixing of chemicals, often the addition of a liquid to another liquid or a solid can create a flammable product. In some cases there is sufficient heat generated during the chemical reaction to cause an explosion.

4. **Production of Heat** – Chemicals especially oxidizers when mixed with flammable materials can produce sufficient heat to cause self-ignition.

### 2.26 Chronic Effect Codes

**OSHA – Health Hazards**

- A – Irritant
- B – Corrosive
- C – Sensitizer
- D – Highly Toxic/Toxic
- E – Carcinogens

**Target Organ Effects:**

- F – Hepatotoxins
- G – Nephrotoxins
- H – Neurotoxins
- I – Reproductive Toxins
- J – Agents that act on the blood of the Hematopoietic System
- K – Agents that damage:
  1. Eyes
  2. Lungs
  3. Skin
4. Mucous Membranes
5. Hearing

L – GI Tract

2.27 Wilson’s RISK Scale of Material Hazards

For compliance with the OSHA Labeling Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200), Genium includes the RISK scale. This numbering system of four hazardous categories represents a material’s degree of hazard based on documented values and/or the best judgments of certified industrial hygienists. The higher numbers indicate an increased hazard.

1. REACTIVITY
   Stable at room temperature; may be unstable at elevated temperatures.

   **INHALATION**
   TLV >500 ppm (Vapor)  
   \[ \text{or} \]
   >10mg/m³ (Solid)

   **SKIN CONTACT**
   Slight irritation; no tissue damage

   **KINDLING**
   FP > 200°F

2. REACTIVITY
   Unstable; may under-go rapid chemical change. Will not detonate.

   **INHALATION**
   TLV 101-100 ppm (Vapor)  
   \[ \text{or} \]
   1.1-10 mg/m³ (Solid)

   **SKIN CONTACT**
   Mild irritation; tissue damage

   **KINDLING**
   FP = 101-199°F

3. REACTIVITY
   Capable of detonation explosive decomposition or reaction but required heat or other agent to initiate these.

   **INHALATION**
   TLV 11-100 ppm (Vapor)  
   \[ \text{or} \]
   0.11-1.0 mg/m³ (Solid)
SKIN CONTACT
Severe irritation; tissue corrosion within short time period.

KINDLING
FP = 73-100°F

4. REACTIVITY
Readily capable of detonation or explosive decomposition or reaction at room temperature.

INHALATION
TLV < 10 ppm (Vapor)
Or
< 0.1 mg/m³ (Solid)

SKIN CONTACT
Corrosive to skin on contact.

KINDLING
FP < 73°F

2.28 Identification of the Health Hazards of Materials

Identification of Health Hazard Color Code: BLUE

Type of Possible Injury

4. Materials which on very short exposure could cause death or major residual injury even though prompt medical treatment was given.

3. Materials which on short exposure could cause serious temporary or residual injury even though prompt medical treatment was given.

2. Materials which on intense or continued exposure could cause temporary incapacitation or possible residual injury unless prompt medical treatment is given.

1. Materials which on exposure would cause irritation but only minor residual injury even if no treatment is given.

0. Materials which on exposure under fire conditions would offer no hazard beyond that of ordinary combustible material.

Identification of Flammability Color Code: RED

Susceptibility of Materials to Burning

4. Materials which will rapidly or completely vaporize at atmospheric pressure and normal ambient temperature, or which are readily dispersed in air and which will burn readily.

3. Liquids and solids that can be ignited under almost all ambient temperature conditions.
2. Materials that must be moderately heated or exposed to relatively high ambient temperatures before ignition can occur.

1. Materials that must be preheated before ignition can occur.

0. Materials that will not burn.

Identification of Reactivity (Stability) Color Code: **Yellow**

Susceptibility to Release of Energy

4. Materials which in themselves are readily capable of detonation or of explosive decomposition or reaction at normal temperatures and pressures.

3. Materials which in themselves are capable of detonation or explosive reaction but require a strong initiating source or which must be heated under confinement before initiation or which react explosively with water.

2. Materials which in themselves are normally unstable and readily undergo violent chemical change but do not detonate. Also, materials which may react violently with water or which may form potentially explosive mixtures with water.

1. Materials which in themselves are normally stable, but which can become unstable at elevated temperatures and pressures or which may react with water with some release of energy but not violently.

0. Materials which in themselves are normally stable, even under fire exposure conditions, and which are not reactive with water.

Color Code: **WHITE** may be used for various identification systems, including Hazard Index or Personal Protection Index.

For the prevention or in the event of a hazardous material incident, follow the recommended procedures indicated by labeling and special precautions indicated in the SDS.

**2.29 Hazardous Materials Identification System**

Hazard Index

4 Severe Hazard
3 Serious Hazard
2 Moderate Hazard
1 Slight Hazard
0 Minimal Hazard
Personal Protection Index

A. Safety glasses
B. Safety glasses, gloves
C. Safety glasses, synthetic apron
D. Face shield, gloves, synthetic apron
E. Safety glasses, gloves, dust respirator
F. Safety glasses, synthetic apron, dust respirator
G. Safety glasses, gloves, vapor respirator
H. Splash goggles, gloves, synthetic apron, vapor respirator
I. Safety glasses, gloves, dust and vapor respirator
J. Splash goggles, gloves, synthetic apron, dust and vapor respirator
K. Air line hood or mask, gloves, fall suit, boots
L. Ask your supervisor for guidance.

2.30 Emergency Evacuation

In the event of fire or other emergency requiring evacuation of the building, please leave the facility promptly. Escort your patient, if in clinic, through one of the available exits. Every room has at least two ways to exit and they are marked accordingly. Once outside, you should remain on the lawn beside Ludcke Auditorium. Remember: During any evacuation procedure, you must remain calm and proceed with care to avoid panic in yourself or others.

2.31 Responding to Fire Alarms

*From the Safety / Security Coordinator:*

Whenever a fire alarm sounds, you should always assume that an actual fire is occurring. Upon hearing the first alarm sound, take the following actions:

**Independent Offices** – Close windows; open curtains, shades or blinds; and close/lock your office door. Then proceed to the nearest exit and evacuate to the appropriate area. Pass on to Security any signs of fire noted.

**Multi-Person Offices** – Supervisor or senior person present should ensure that all windows are closed; open all curtains, shades, or blinds, and close/lock your office door. Then, along with all the people in your office, proceed to the nearest exit, and evacuate to the appropriate area. Pass on to Security any signs of fire noted, and the names of any persons that are unaccounted.

**Instructors** – During periods that you are in a classroom, ensure all windows are closed; open curtains, shades or blinds; and close/lock the door to your classroom. Then, along with the students in your class, proceed to the nearest exit and evacuate to the appropriate area. Pass on to Security any signs of fire noted, and the names of any person unaccounted for.
2.32 Muster Locations

Coleman - lawn by Ludcke Hall
Blewett - grass by Ludcke Hall
Hersey - grass area between Hersey Circle and College Street
Proctor - grass area between Hersey Circle and College Street
Goddard - grass area between Hersey Circle and College Street
Alexander - grass between Hersey Circle and College Street
Alumni - grass area between Hersey Circle and College Street
Library - grass area between Hersey Circle and College Street

2.33 Health and Safety Committee

Mission: The role of the Health and Safety Committee is to monitor compliance with the infection control program, to periodically review the protocol, to update faculty and students on changes, to recommend changes and improvements in the plan and to review the entire process annually with other faculty and the Program Director.

2.34 Accident and Injury Policy

Following any accident or injury, the appropriate parties must complete a Dental Hygiene Program Incident Report. Forms may be obtained from the Dental Hygiene Program Administrative staff.

2.35 Infection Prevention Checklist

The dental hygiene program uses the Centers for Disease Control Infection Prevention Checklist for Dental Settings. The checklist is conducted annually to ensure basic expectations for safe care. Any discrepancies are reported to the director and remedied immediately. [https://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth/infectioncontrol/pdf/safe-care-checklist.pdf](https://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth/infectioncontrol/pdf/safe-care-checklist.pdf)

2.36 Quality Assurance Policy

UNE Dental Hygiene Program is committed to quality assurance and maintains a quality assurance program for risk management, the health and safety of patients, students, faculty and staff, and for the confidence that quality requirements will be fulfilled. The program maintains a manual posted on the UNE web site.

2.37 Radiographs and Radiographic Safety

Radiographs are acceptable and are of diagnostic quality. Appropriate number and type of radiographs and all radiographic findings are documented in patient’s chart. Safety mechanisms employed are: X-ray machines are inspected by the state agency every 3 years and licensed annually, as directed by state law. Records are maintained per law. Lead aprons are used to protect patients. Triggers are behind safety walls and are of standard distance to protect the clinician. ADA guidelines are followed regarding exposure of the patient. Dosimeters are positioned outside of the operatory where the clinician would be stationed. Dosimeter reports are reviewed monthly. Students are penalized in daily performance, if retakes are taken without an instructor approval. Faculty are licensed and students are trained to competency. Students are further assessed in radiation safety. Dosimeter devises are available for students and faculty.
The UNE dental hygiene program follows the recommendations to reduce radiation exposure to the patient and the operator. The dental hygiene program does an annual quality assurance check on full mouth series and bite-wing series to ensure diagnostic quality of the examination. 
http://www.ada.org/~/media/ADA/Member%20Center/Files/Dental_Radiographic_Examinations_2012.pdf

The Radiology Safety Report:

This report is available on the desktop of the computer station at the entrance of the clinic floor. A hard copy can be requested at any time. This report, in part, describes the University of New England’s management of ionizing radiation and establishes procedures related to control and safe use of x-ray machines as they pertain to the Dental Hygiene Department on the Portland, Maine campus of the University of New England.

The full, un-amended Radiology Safety Report is available for review on the UNE Environmental Health & Safety website at http://www.une.edu/campus/ehs and should be reviewed annually by staff, faculty, and students who come in contact with and use ionizing radiation.
CLINIC PROTOCOL
AND
EVALUATION PROCESS
3.1 General Guidelines for Dental Hygiene Students

Your personal conduct and appearance as a dental hygiene student is of primary importance because of its
effect on patients, health personnel and the community in general. High standards of conduct and
appearance are expected of you as a professional person; patients and the public expect competence,
integrity, and moderation from professional people. Therefore, because you have chosen to enter a health
profession, it is necessary to take all possible measures to ensure the cooperation and respect of patients
and the public by maintaining high standards of conduct and appearance.

1. Clinic Attire (see 3.32) / Student Attire (see 1.17)

2. Faculty should be addressed as either Professor or Doctor as appropriate. Patients and students
shall be addressed respectfully as well.

3. Students are responsible for notices posted on the bulletin board. It would be to your advantage to
consult the bulletin board daily.

4. Chewing gum is not permitted during clinical or laboratory sessions. Please do not bring any food
or drink into the Clinic. Please use the designated areas on the lower level for eating. The lobby
may not be used for a lunch area.

5. A locker is assigned to you and is the only place where books and other personal belongings may
be stored. Clinic, lobby, and demonstration rooms must be kept neat.

6. You are required to notify dental hygiene personnel on any day that it is necessary for you to be
absent or tardy for any class, clinic, or lab. If you must call prior to the opening of clinic, please
leave a message on the clinic staff line at 207-221-4471 (note: please do not leave messages on the
general clinic line for patients as your message may not be retrieved immediately). In the event
that time from clinic is needed, it is your responsibility to plan with the clinical course directors.
Advance notice is crucial for patient scheduling purposes.

7. If you are to be an oral health educator, you should set an example for others to follow. All
necessary dental treatment should be attended to.

8. Mouthwash should be used as necessary.

9. The use of make-up and cologne should be kept to a minimum. Heavy make-up or cologne is
not appropriate in the clinical setting. Attention must be given to eliminate odors, especially
smoke, on clothing and hair.

10. For sanitary reasons, hair is to be combed in the restroom downstairs and NOT in clinic; mirrors are
provided. All personal grooming including oral hygiene care is to be done in the locker-room.

11. All students will sign a dental hygiene program contract.

12. Students not in a particular clinic may not be on the clinic floor without permission from the floor
supervisor. It can be disruptive to scheduled students and faculty.
13. Instruments can be sterilized prior to scheduled clinic times, with permission of the clinical course director, usually right before lunch time.

3.2 Attendance Policy

Class and clinic attendance is mandatory. It is the student’s responsibility to inform the clinical course directors and the front desk of any absence. Individual course syllabi will state the penalty for missed classes, laboratories and clinics. Hours must be made up to comply with accreditation.

Clinic/Affiliation (Extramural) Attendance Policy – Great care was exercised in scheduling intra-extra mural clinical assignments so as best to provide each student with a rich practical experience. Absences for any reasons are strongly discouraged. As a general rule, absences (including those due to minor illnesses) will be reflected in the final grade as stated in individual course syllabi. In the event that the enrichment assignment is cancelled the students will need to attend clinic.

Transportation Policy – Please note that students are personally responsible for arranging transportation to and from all affiliation sites.

Illness Notification Policy – In the event of illness, please call the Dental Hygiene Program directly by calling the clinic staff line at 207-221-4471. Messages left at switchboard or sent by classmates are unacceptable. Inform the clinical course directors as well.

Patient Appointment Scheduling and Cancellations – Although the receptionist will make every effort to fill all clinical appointments with patients, the ultimate responsibility for this rests with the individual student. It is in each student’s best interest to recruit in advance a host of patients who would be able to fill openings at a moment’s notice. Compile these patients in the form of a call list. Clinical time lost due to appointment cancellations will be reflected in the student’s final clinic grade.

The student is responsible to recruit their mock board and board patient.

Patient Call List – The student is strongly advised to have a Patient Call List for use in last minute cancellations and no-shows. Multiple no-shows can affect the student’s clinic grade.

3.3 Clinical Evaluation and Assessment of Student Learning

The UNE Dental Hygiene Program uses a secure web-based scoring system. The clinical patient care competencies system is designed to assess dental hygiene patient care skills. The term “competencies” is defined as skills that a student dental hygienist is expected to perform at a reasonable level of care. Competent is defined as fitting, suitable or sufficient for the purpose, adequate or properly performed. The grading rubric further defines competent, capable, developing, and ineffective. Competency items (see 3.29) are grouped into major task areas which include: process of care and 14 sub-competencies listed as categories on the TalEval grade sheets.

The Objective Method

The assessment of student performance is by the Objective Method. The “Objective Method” is an objective grading system that utilizes a mathematical formula based on three different factors:

1. Mean of total class performance in every skill set
2. Deduction of “Critical Errors” in every skill set for individual student performance.
3. Points gained from patient treatment types (calculus and periodontal skill levels)

The instructor conducts no math calculations at the time of the evaluation. The weights of the symbols above are unknown at the time of the evaluation if you are utilizing The Objective Grading Method. Weights are not assigned until all data is gathered over half of the term/semester (approximately 6-7 weeks). At the end of that timeframe, the total number of errors are calculated using mean of individual and total class performances. Typically, the first half of the term (i.e. Clinic IA) becomes the midterm grade, and the last half of the term (Clinic IB) becomes the second grade. The two grades are averaged together to form the Clinic I grade. The tally is performed by the TalEval software. The program uses the data collected to deduct points lost from errors against points gained for performance on patients who present with various levels of periodontal conditions ranging from healthy to advanced periodontitis with light to heavy amounts of calculus deposits.

TalEval is programmed for mathematical computations on the average number of patients seen in 5-7 weeks. Longer grading periods inflate the grades as they do not allow for the advantage of progression of student skill development which requires a decrease in patient point values to appropriately adjust the grade as the student advances through the clinical education levels.

TalEval never adds critical Error deductions to the total class data to affect the weights of the grades. They are only deducted at the Summative and Formative Grade Evaluations when each student’s grade is calculated. Critical errors are the most crucial part of evaluating individual student clinical performance and students are not compared to one another in the critical error component of TalEval. TalEval counts the number of times all the students make any type of error and that affects the mean, but the additional points lost for critical errors only affects the grade of the student who makes the error(s).

Critical errors are pre-weighted for quality assurance in patient care and for assessment of individual student performance.

3.3.1 Radiographic Policies & Procedures for Clinical Sessions

Student Responsibilities:

1. The Patient's most recent radiographs should be on the computer screen for use during the appointment. **Credit will be lost if this is not done.**

2. After completing the visual components of the patient assessment and discussing the need for radiographs with the patient, the student must confer with the assigned instructor prior to taking any films. The student must then inform the Radiographic Assistant that x-rays will be taken.

3. The student (DEN 322 Lab) or RA (clinic) must follow the appropriate infection control protocol before and after the x-ray exposure.
4. Review digital exposures or films with your assigned instructor during clinic to determine if there are any POOR films that require a retake.

**ALL RETAKES MUST BE SUPERVISED BY YOUR ASSIGNED INSTRUCTOR.**

A maximum of TWO retakes on Bitewings and THREE retakes will be allowed on a Full Mouth Series, except under extenuating circumstances. Retakes should be taken on the same day the series is exposed provided there is an adequate amount of time remaining.

5. **Prior to** your instructor's evaluation, all films must be evaluated for technique and interpreted by the student.

6. Students should keep track of the number of FMX’s and BW's taken throughout each semester in their logs. You should include the date of exposure, name of the patient, the number and type of films exposed, and whether the series fulfilled a clinical requirement. This will greatly assist you in tracking your radiology requirements for clinic.

7. If possible, traditional and digital radiographs should be evaluated by the student on the clinic floor after patient dismissal. Patient radiographs are to be viewed and evaluated in the Dental Hygiene Clinic; patient information does not leave the dental hygiene building.

8. After your instructor has evaluated and graded your FMX, it is essential that the radiographic interpretation be transferred into the patient's record.

9. Failure to transfer the radiographic interpretation into the patient record could adversely impact future patient care.

*** **Failure to transfer the radiographic interpretation to the patient record will result in an automatic zero for the FMX and no credit will be given to count towards clinic requirements***

**Instructor Responsibilities**

1. After completing the patient assessment, only necessary films should be approved by the assigned instructor using appropriate clinical criteria for exposing radiographs.

2. Each student rendering radiographic services should be closely monitored by the assigned instructor. Students at different competency levels will require variable monitoring.

3. The assigned instructor will evaluate during the clinical session or laboratory session BW and PA radiographs for diagnostic acceptability and determine the need for any retakes. Evaluation of the technique is based upon the Criteria of Radiographic Acceptability found in this Radiology Lab Manual (page). BW surveys that meet this standard should be indicated on the student’s clinical evaluation sheet as an acceptable set of BW’s and credit will be given.

4. **All exposures to be retaken must be supervised by the assigned instructor.** The instructor must initial the radiographic evaluation form in those instances where he/she directly assisted with the film exposure or in those instances where it is determined that a retake would not improve the original image.
5. Final critique and interpretation of FMX including any previously approved retakes will be evaluated by the student’s instructor for that session.

**RADIOLOGY STUDENTS AND RADIOGRAPHIC ASSISTANT (RA) DUTIES**

At the end of every radiology lab session, radiology students are required to perform the duties listed directly below. When a student is performing the job of Radiographic Assistant (RA) during clinic sessions, the RA will need to perform all the duties listed below

**X-RAY OPERATORIES**

1. Fold up the extension arms and carefully move the x-ray machine toward the wall, placing the Position Indicating Device (PID) or tube head **parallel** to floor. Please do not let go of the machine when moving it to any position. A freely moving machine will be damaged when it suddenly stops; the walls or mounted control panel at point of impact will suffer as well.

2. All paper and debris must be cleaned up and placed in trash receptacles.

3. Lead aprons must **never** be folded, but hung on the hooks provided in the operatories.

4. All x-ray machines must be turned off at the end of clinical or lab sessions.

5. All digital sensors must be unplugged and hung up on the wall.

6. Computers should be logged off and shutdown at the end of the clinic or lab.

7. Operatories need to be left cleaned and disinfected at the end of the day.

### 3.4 Grading Rubric and the UNE Dental Hygiene Web-based Grading System

The criteria for the performance of clinical patient care competencies are judged on a four-step rubric. A number ✓, ✗, or N 3, 2, 1, or 0 is assigned to the patient care competencies performed. A score of 2.25 is equivalent to a 75%.

**3- Competent** - The student has the ability of independent performance reasonable speed, accuracy, knowledge and judgment, reasonable ability to modify performance according to natural cues, and the student is beginning to internalize standards in the mastery of the dental hygiene process of care.

✓ - **2- Capable** - The student has control over many facts and skills, can understand the purpose of the skills and can somewhat modify their performance. The quality of their performance may be inconsistent with minor errors.

✗ - **1 Developing** - The student demonstrates beginner behavior and performs slowly with many errors, is dependent on faculty, wants only one method of skill performance, and tends to be motivated by extrinsic forces.

0 **Ineffective** - Or the student has one critical or major error, causes harm, is ineffective, obtrusive or
unprofessional.
N - Not applicable - indicates competency / skill not performed or observed.

The system for determining each clinical course grade is clearly listed in individual clinical course syllabi.

Formulas increase in weight as the expectation of competency increases through the clinical course sequence.

The UNE web-based grading system is an objective grading system that includes a comprehensive itemized list of procedures from ADA/CODA Standard 2-19, listed in 3.07. Instructors go through the list when they evaluate student clinical performance and the list assures that faculty observes the care process.

Mastery of the dental hygiene process of care is evidenced by a fewer number of values (✓ 1 and ✗ 0) and more frequent assignment of 3 and 2.

Students are expected to be more proficient as they move through their clinical sequence. Therefore, the difficulty of the patient pool also increases over the course sequence.

The UNE dental hygiene grading system computes the grade by a standard formula. The system for determining each clinical course grade is clearly listed in individual clinical course syllabi. The following formula will calculate a rubric grade into a percent grade: 25 + (rubric x 25) = percentage. Percentile grades are then calculated with a formula for each course sequence.

The UNE dental hygiene grading system and Dentrix track patient treatment by each student, which includes age, gender, deposit and periodontal classification, ASA levels, Special Needs/ Care patients, medically compromised and recare (recall and reappointments).

3.4.1 Interprofessional Competencies

Interprofessional Clinical/Field Competency Evaluations among the WCHP programs are measured based on the IPEC Expert Panel Report, specifically RR3: Engage diverse healthcare professionals who complement one’s own professional expertise, as well as associated resources, to develop strategies to meet specific patient care needs.

The UNE Dental Hygiene Program evaluates this competency on the Web-Based Grading System:

Communication Interaction/Professionalism Referrals for Treatment

Referrals from Treatment

Evaluation grade is based on the Grading Rubric:
3 = No errors with 1 attempt 100
2 = 1 minor errors with 1 attempt 66
1 = 2 minor errors or 2 attempts 33
0 = 3 or more minor errors, 3 or more attempts, 0

Must attempt another session and continue and/or
1 major safety error attempts until competent to a 75%
3.5 Clinical Performance

The clinical course directors monitor student performance and use a variety of methods to evaluate competent performance such as: Procedure for Assessing Competence (PACs), internally validated clinical examinations and externally validated clinical examinations, mock licensure examinations, and graded clinical performance days. Midterm performance reports satisfactory and unsatisfactory to students and the students advisor.

3.6 Clinical Requirements

The fulfillment of clinical requirements is mandatory to ensure that the student dental hygienist is informed and active in fulfilling a variety of patient services in compliance with the philosophy of total patient care. Requirements ensure that each student will see a variety of patients that may include but may not be limited to infants, children, adolescents, adults, geriatric and special needs/care populations of varying degrees of difficulty before graduation, as well as medically compromised patients.

Each semester students should strive to practice clinical requirements in order to remain competent and to demonstrate continued competence. Failure to do so may result in a point deduction from the requirement score.

The total minimum number of clinical requirements that must be met with a grade that reflects clinical competency with a minimum grade of 75 or 2.25 by semester prior to graduation is:

**Spring Junior Year**
- 2 full mouth series of radiographs
- 4 bitewing series of radiographs/Adult
- 1 bitewing series either mixed or primary dentition
- 2 sealants (2 surfaces)
- 1 panoramic radiograph
- 1 pedodontic patients (age 0-12)
- 1 adolescent patient (age 13-18)
- 2 adult patients (age 19 – 61)
- 1 geriatric patients (age 62 and over)
- 2 Class I deposit patients
- 2 Class II deposit patients
- 1 Class II periodontal involvement
- 1 Sequences of PAC’s
- 1 Velscope
- 1 Nutritional Counseling

**Fall Senior Year**
- 3 amalgam polishing surfaces with 2 proximal surfaces
- 3 full mouth series of radiographs
- 1 panoramic radiograph
- 4 bitewing series of radiographs Adult
- 1 bitewing series either mixed or primary dentition
- 1 bitewing series of radiographs Vertical
- 2 sealants (2 surfaces)
2 adult patients (age 19 – 61)
2 geriatric patients (age 62 and over)
2 special needs (at least ASA II)
2 Class I deposit patients
4 Class II deposit patients
3 Class II periodontal involvement
1 Class III deposit patients
1 Class III periodontal involvement patients
1 periodontal re-evaluation
1 Sequence of PAC’s

**Spring Senior Year**
2 amalgam polishing surfaces with 2 proximal surfaces 3 full mouth series of radiographs
4 bitewing series of radiographs Adult
1 bitewing series of radiographs Vertical
4 sealants (4 surfaces)
1 adult patients (age 19 – 61)
2 geriatric patients (age 62 and over)
3 special needs (at least ASA II)
1 Class I deposit patients
5 Class II deposit patients
1 Class II periodontal involvement
2 Class III deposit patients
2 Class III periodontal involvement patients
1 Class IV deposit patient
1 Class IV periodontal involvement
2 periodontal re-evaluation

**Total Requirements for Graduation**
Amalgam Polishing Surfaces (5), (2) must be proximal
FMX (8)
Bitewings (12) Adult
Vertical Bitewing (2)
Bitewings (1) Primary Dentition
Bitewings (1) Mixed Dentition
Sealants (8 surfaces)
Nutritional Counseling (1)
Pan (3)
Pedodontic and children (1) (age 0-12)
Adolescents Patient (1) (age 13-18)
Adults (5) (age 19-61)
Geriatric (5) (Age 62 and over)
Special Needs/Medically Compromised (5), At least ASA II and at least 1 Med. Compromised Deposit Classifications:
Class I Deposit (5)
Class II Deposit (11)
Class III Deposit (3)
Class IV Deposit (1)
PERIODONTAL CLASSIFICATIONS:
3.7 Patient Care Competencies

The dental hygienist is a licensed preventive oral health professional who uses knowledge of health and disease to prevent, identify, and manage oral disease. The dental hygiene process of care applies principles from the biomedical, clinical, and social sciences to support optimal health in individuals and communities. Care is provided to all regardless of social or cultural background.

PATIENT CARE

1. Assessment -
   a. perform a comprehensive examination using clinical, radiographic, periodontal, dental charting, and other data collection procedures to assess the patient's needs
   b. Recognize predisposing and etiologic risk factors that require intervention to prevent disease
   c. Obtain, review and update a complete medical and dental history
   d. Recognize health conditions and medications that impact overall patient care
   e. Identify patients at risk for a medical emergency and manage the patient in a manner that prevents an emergency

2. Diagnosis
   a. Use assessment findings, etiologic factors and clinical data in determining a dental hygiene diagnosis
   b. Identify patient needs and significant findings that impact the delivery of dental hygiene services
   c. Obtain the proper consultations as indicated

3. Planning
   a. Establish a planned sequence of care based on the dental hygiene diagnosis; identified oral conditions; potential problems; etiologic and risk factors; and available treatment modalities
   b. Prioritize the care plan based on the health status and actual and potential problems of the individual to facilitate optimal health
   c. Establish a collaborative relationship with the patient in the planned care to include the etiology, prognosis, and treatment alternatives
   d. Make referrals to other health care professionals
   e. Obtain the patient's informed consent

4. Implementation
   a. Utilize accepted infection control procedures
   b. Obtain diagnostic quality radiographs
   c. Apply basic and advanced techniques of dental hygiene instrumentation to remove deposits without trauma to hard and soft tissues
   d. select and administer appropriate chemotherapeutic agents and provide pre and post treatment instructions
e. provide adjunct dental hygiene services that are legally permitted
f. Provide oral health education to assist patients in assuming responsibility for their own oral health

5. Evaluation
   a. Evaluate the effectiveness of the patient's self-care and the dental hygiene treatment in attaining or maintaining oral health
   b. Determine the clinical outcomes of dental hygiene interventions
   c. Develop a maintenance program that meets the patient's needs
   d. Provide referrals for subsequent treatment based on the evaluation findings

3.8 Community Involvement and Health Promotion and Disease Prevention

In community-centered settings, the dental hygienist conducts educational and clinical programs using a population-centered approach. In this role, the hygienist requires an understanding of the determinants of health and the characteristics of the particular populations, as well as the individuals who comprise the population. The hygienist provides information and data to influence the facilitation of access to care and services.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

1. Provide community oral health services in a variety of settings.
2. Provide screening, referral and education services that facilitate public access to the health care system.
3. Respond to patient or community requests for information about contemporary dental problems.
4. Promote the dental hygiene profession by actively participating in the membership, leadership and / or service in professional organizations.
5. Assess and evaluate community based oral disease prevention strategies that aim to improve the oral health of the public.

HEALTH PROMOTION AND DISEASE PREVENTION

1. Evaluate and utilize methods to ensure the health and safety of the patient and the dental hygienist in the delivery of dental hygiene.
2. Evaluate factors that can be used to promote patient adherence to disease prevention and/or health maintenance strategies.
3. Provide educational methods using appropriate communication skills and educational strategies to promote optimal health.
4. Promote preventive health behaviors by personally striving to maintain oral and general health.
5. Identify individual and population risk factors and develop strategies that promote health related quality of life.

3.9 Broken Instrument Policy and Procedure

The following will be the Dental Hygiene Department’s procedure regarding a broken instrument.

IF AN INSTRUMENT IS BROKEN IN A PATIENT’S MOUTH:

1. Calmly remove instrument fragment when possible and inform the instructor.
2. Sterilize and save all parts of the instrument; take a radiograph of the area to confirm complete
removal of the object.

3. If the instrument fragment cannot be easily removed, notify the instructor and isolate the area with cotton rolls and calmly inform the patient not to swallow. Maintain isolation at all times and avoid use of the aspirator. Reattempt removal of the instrument fragment using Perioretiever found in the emergency kit. Maintain isolation during the procedure. Take a radiograph to confirm complete removal.

4. If an instrument is broken subgingivally and cannot be removed, take a double film radiograph of the area involved. (One copy will be kept in the patient’s permanent record and the other copy is for the secretary’s file.) Consultation with an oral surgeon may be advised.

5. Complete an incident report and file with the assistant to the Director.

6. Student, instructor, and/or supervising dentist will sign the incident report.

7. File all parts of the instrument, the radiograph and incident report to the secretary.

3.10 Child Abuse Policy

The State Law of Maine makes it mandatory for all health professionals to report any situation in which there is “reasonable cause to suspect” child abuse/neglect. The dental hygienist is named specifically as a mandated reporter. The professional does not have an option in the matter of reporting such cases for investigation. Reporting in good faith frees the professional from any liability if the report proves to be unfounded. Willful failure to report opens the professional to criminal or civil liabilities. The right to privileged communication and confidentiality is waived between the physician and patient by state law in suspected child abuse and neglect cases. You must report all suspected cases.

Whenever the assessment leads to “reasonable cause to suspect” that a child has been abused or neglected, or is at risk of abuse or neglect, whoever in the institution is identified as the reporting individual (student, instructor, or dentist) will make an immediate telephone report to the State Department of Human Services, Child Protective Services, and will prepare a follow-up written report if requested to do so by DHS, CPS. All aspects of observations must be documented in the client’s chart under services rendered.

A report is not an accusation and does not require clinical confirmation of suspicion. Rather, the report should be looked upon as a request for further investigation and intervention. Professionals, who have a broad range of experience in differentiating and dealing with this kind of problem, investigate the report. By means of classroom lecture/discussion, Dental Hygiene students will be provided with information, which will enable them to recognize signs of child abuse and report such occurrences, which they are obligated to do.

Adult and Child Abuse – Neglect Toll Free Number for the State of Maine is 1-800-452-1999.

3.11 Latex Allergies Policy

The Dental Hygiene Clinic is a latex-free environment for most products. The increased incidence of latex allergy in the workplace and in the general population has led to the development of this policy.

The most common type of reaction to latex is a non-allergic hand dermatitis caused by skin irritation.
Latex can also trigger a Type IV allergic contact dermatitis or a more serious Type I allergic reaction that may cause anaphylaxis.

Alternatives are available in clinic for students, faculty and patients who are hyper-sensitive or allergic to latex. If, however, it is deemed that a procedure or product may cause a person eminent danger, the Dental Hygiene Program reserves the right to dismiss the person from the Dental Hygiene clinic.

Latex free products are available for use in clinic, as well as powder free latex products to reduce the risk of upper respiratory sensitivity.


### 3.12 Policy for Patient Records

Patient records may be requested of staff at the front desk to facilitate quality patient preparation and patient care. Records are confidential and must be treated as such. Records must never leave the building and must be returned promptly to the front desk after use.

### 3.13 Referral Form Policy and Procedure

The referral form is used to communicate dental hygiene findings and services rendered to the primary care dentist of patients that are treated at the University of New England Dental Hygiene Clinic. Patient referral is a professional responsibility of the dental hygiene student to ensure that the patient will receive comprehensive care. Patients who do not leave with a referral form with specific dental concerns will initial and date a general referral stamp found on the inside of their chart. This stamp states that the University of New England Dental Hygiene Clinic is not their dental home and that the clinic recommends a yearly exam with a general dentist.

The student will consult with their instructor on the need of a direct or general referral. An example of the form and the initial / dated general referral stamp are in the appendix.

### 3.14 Sealant Policy

The following must be done in determination of the need for placing sealants as a service to our patients.

1. Teeth to be sealed need prior designation in the patient record, accompanied by a faculty signature and date.

2. The parent or guardian is to be advised ahead of time of the total cost of such services, and give their approval for the same.

Any sealant lost within one year of the date of application in the University of New England Westbrook College Campus Dental Hygiene Clinic will be replaced at no charge. After one year in place, lost sealants will be replaced at the present fee.

Should a patient call for an appointment for sealants only, the patient will be appointed as a new patient and charged accordingly. The sealants will be placed as stated during the initial appointment at the standard fee. This procedure allows total patient care and treatment: medical history, and oral exam; and oral hygiene instructions, complete plaque removal, and fluoride treatment will be provided as appropriate.
As sealant material is designed to be applied to the etched tooth surface as a preventive agent by the dental hygienist no alteration of the hard tissue prior to sealant placement will be performed in the University of New England Westbrook College Campus Dental Hygiene Clinic.

3.15 Fees for Dental Hygiene Services

The clinic fee schedule is updated periodically. The most current schedule appears in the appendix section of this manual.

Approximate cost for exam & prophylaxis:

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3.16 Indices and Classification Systems
Indices and classification systems are assessment methods used to collect data concerning patient assessment, treatment, and follow-up of dental hygiene services, and may serve as evaluation measures of patient’s outcomes. Classification is assigned each patient on the Daily Evaluation Form.

3.17 Periodontal Screening Record (PSR)
The PSR is used to determine periodontal need of the patients at the initial screening appointment. Patients are then appointed to the appropriate clinical sequence.

3.18 Plaque Index – Patient Hygiene Performance (PHP)
The purpose of the PHP is to quantify in numerical form the amount of oral debris. This index will provide baseline data for subsequent visits on homecare. It is performed at each visit.
### 3.19 UNE Dental Hygiene Stages and Grades of Periodontal Involvement

#### Stages

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Grades: Evidence of risk of rapid progression, anticipated treatment response

**Grade A:** (slow rate of progression) No bone loss or clinical attachment loss over five years, no diabetes, heavy biofilm but no destruction

**Grade B:** (moderate rate of progression) Less than 2mm bone loss or clinical attachment loss over five years, half a pack or less per day smoking, HbA1c less than 7%, biofilm commensurate with destruction

**Grade C:** (rapid rate of progression) Greater than 2mm of bone loss or clinical attachment loss over five years, half pack per day or more smoking, HbA1c 7% or higher, destruction exceeds amount of biofilm

**Extent and distribution:** localized <30%; generalized ≥30%; molar-incisor distribution


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3 A new classification scheme for periodontal and peri-implant diseases and conditions—Introduction and key changes from the 1999 classification; Canton, J.; Armitage, G.; Berglundh, T. et al. J. Periodontology 2018;89 (suppl 1): S1-8
3.20 Patient Classification for Deposit

Patients are classified according to the amount and location of explorable detectable calculus occurring on the teeth. In general the term "trace" is used to describe deposit that is barely detectable; "slight" describes deposit that is less than 1mm in width; "moderate" described deposit 1mm-2mm in width; and “heavy” described deposit that is greater than 2mm in width. Examiner discretion is advised when “width of deposit” is not the appropriate criteria to determine the classification; depth, location, number of teeth involved, or tenacity of deposit may also be used.

Class C:
Primary mixed dentition; generally a child who is under the age of 12 years, unless calculus is present.

Class I:
A. Trace or slight supragingival calculus and/or
B. Trace or slight extrinsic stain and/or
C. Trace subgingival calculus

Class II:
A. Moderate supragingival calculus and/or
B. Moderate extrinsic stain and/or
C. Slight subgingival calculus

Class III:
A. Heavy supragingival calculus and/or
B. Heavy extrinsic stain and/or
C. Moderate subgingival calculus

Class IV:
A. Heavy supragingival calculus and
B. Heavy extrinsic stain and Heavy subgingival calculus
C. Heavy subgingival calculus only

3.21 Black’s Classification of Caries and Caries Risk Assessment

Class I Caries beginning in the structural defects of the teeth; pits and fissures. These are located in the occlusal surfaces of the premolars and molars, in the occlusal two-thirds of the buccal groove of the molars, in the lingual surface of the upper anteriors in the cingulum area, and the lingual groove of upper and lower molars.

Class II Caries in proximal surfaces of premolars and molars.

Class III Caries in proximal surfaces of incisors and canines which do not involve the removal and restoration of the incisal angle.
Class IV  Caries in the proximal surfaces of the incisors and canines which require the removal and restoration of the incisal angle.

Class V  Caries in the cervical third of the crown.

Class VI  Caries above the crest of contour on anterior teeth or on the cusp tip on posterior teeth.

Evidence of caries, developmental, physical, mental disabilities may indicate the need for caries risk assessment. See appendices for Caries Risk Assessment Form.

3.22  Miller Classification of Gingival Recession

Class I  Class I Miller defect. The gingival recession does not involve the interproximal papillae or the mucogingival junction.

Class II  The recession in a Class II Miller defect extends past the mucogingival junction but does not involve the interproximal tissues.

Class III  The chances for root coverage are decreased when the recession involves the interproximal papillae (Class III Miller defect).

Class IV  Full coverage of exposed root surfaces should not be expected after a soft tissue graft when there is marked loss of the interproximal papillae.

3.23  Student Clinical Duties

The principle clinical duty of the student is as a chair side student dental hygienist providing patient care. Other duties, on a very limited basis consist, of screening new patients, Infection Control Manager 1 (ICM1), and Infection Control Manager 2 (ICM2). See Appendix for an operational list of other duties in the format of an evaluation form.

3.24  Guidelines for Patient Treatment Sequence

Clinic Check-In/Check-Out Procedures

1. Pre-appointment procedures.
2. Greet patients.
3. Seat patients.
4. “Release Form” completion signature check.
5. Health History/Vital Signs
6. Dental History
7. Soft tissue, periodontal, and hard tissue evaluation.
8. Risk Assessments
9. Prepare to discuss treatment/appointment plan with faculty. CHECK-IN:
   a. Comprehensive check of procedures.
   b. Confirm or revise comprehensive treatment plan.
10. PHP (utilize for patient education).
12. Check treatment completion.
13. CHECK-OUT:
   a. Request 30 minutes prior to end of clinic or as agreed upon with instructor/mentor.
   b. Final examination will be performed upon completion of treatment as outlined by treatment plan.
   c. Modified check-out is required for patients to be reappointed.
   Instructors may interrupt and check procedures completed to a certain point in order to avoid student waiting.

3.25 Informed Consent

Informed consent acknowledges that the patient plays an active role in the decision making process of patient treatment. The patient must understand all relevant information about the procedures and freely consent to them.

3.26 Local Anesthesia Consent

The local anesthesia consent form must be explained and signed before local anesthesia can be delivered. Local anesthesia can be delivered by 2nd semester senior dental hygiene students to meet competency requirements.

3.27 Expectations for the Mentor/Instructor

During daily student learning the clinical chair-side mentor/instructor is encouraged to:
- Give positive feedback and accurately describe student’s strengths, weaknesses and progress.
- Encourage and accept students’ questions.
- Answer questions tactfully.
- Accept student as one developing new skills and applying knowledge.
- Provide a climate for students’ independent action.
- Be aware of each student, distributing time daily and appropriately.
- Encourage discussion of patient care.
- Observe student and be present for support.
- Be available to the student at the clinical unit.
- Assist students in answering their own questions.
- Clarify the purpose of his/her presence.
- Demonstrate professionalism and competency.

3.28 Faculty Training

Faculty training in student patient care competencies criteria and for grading will occur through each course director and the Faculty Evaluation and Assessment Manual. Also, annual faculty training occurs in the fall. UNE dental hygiene evaluation and grading systems also provides instructor calibration in every category of the dental hygiene process of care.

Instructors go through the COMPREHENSIVE “Itemized list” when they evaluate student clinical performance and the list assures that instructors do not forget to observe every aspect of the process of care. This in itself provides Quality Assurance in Patient Care.
3.29 Performance Criteria for Assessing Patient Care Competencies

Students are required to perform the following services as part of the dental hygiene process of care. The student must satisfactorily meet competency (rubric) standards to graduate.

The following criteria are evaluated and graded using the TalEval web-based Performance Form and the Grading Rubric 3.4 and Patient Competencies 3.7.

ASSESSMENT AND DENTAL HYGIENE DIAGNOSTIC DECISION MAKING

Category I. Risk Assessment Medical/ Dental Histories

**Item 1 Further Questions Findings**
Circles yes answers in red and further questions patients about those items on questionnaire +
Failure to circle yes answers in red or further question patients about a “yes” answer ✓
Both of the above and/or errors on more than one “yes answer X

**Item 2 Uses Reference**
Refers to drug handbook, medical dictionary, medline, etc. to research disease processes, drugs patient is taking +
Failure to research an unknown disease process or medication ✓
Failure to research disease process and medication for its treatment X

**Item 3 Vital Signs**
Uses proper techniques for taking accurate vital signs +
Uses inappropriate technique for taking a vital sign ✓
Uses inappropriate techniques for taking more than one vital sign X
Forgets to take vital signs and proceeds with appointment X

**Item 4 Notifies Instructor of Risk Factors**
Student notifies instructor if vital signs or medical history findings require a consult with patient’s physician prior to treatment +
Failure to notify instructor of patient condition or disease that is a risk for treatment X

**Item 5 Documents Appropriately in the Medical Alert Box**
Accurate documentation in the medical alert box +
Documenting a non-alert finding in “Alert Box” ✓
More than one non-alert finding in “Alert Box” X
Failure to document a risk factor in the “Alert Box” X

**Item 6 Documents Medications and Contraindications to Treatment**
All information on medications patient is taking is documented +
Incomplete by one omission or one inaccuracy ✓
More than one omission or inaccuracy X

**Item 7 Documents lifestyle risk factors such as Tobacco use, Alcohol and/or Drug Use**
Documents all lifestyle risk factors +
Incomplete by omission of risk factor(s) X

**Item 8 Health Summary**
Documents health summary section of medical history with a statement that summarizes the patients overall health condition + or One ✓ Item

**Item 9 Updates at Successive and Recall Appointments**
Asks appropriate questions and checks vital signs +
Does not do either of the above X
Category II. Extra/Intra Oral Assessment

**Item 10 Technique: visual, palpation, auscultation, order, thoroughness**
- Performs assessment using correct techniques +
- One error in technique ✓
- Two or more errors in techniques X

**Item 11 Identifies abnormality: measures, describes, documents**
- Measures, describes and documents all findings +
- Failure to measure or describe one non-pathological finding in record ✓
- Failure to measure, describe or document one risk (possible pathology) finding or one or more non-pathological finding X

**Item 12 Assessment Update at Successive and Recare Appointments**
- Documents all changes in Extra/Intra Oral Assessment at each appointment +
- Incomplete by one omission or one inaccuracy of non risk factor finding ✓
- More than one omission or inaccuracy or one pathological risk factor X

Category III. Occlusal Assessment

**Item 13 Angle’s Classification or Jaw Relationship**
- Angles or skeletal classification of I, II, III Left or right side inaccurate ✓
- Both left and right sides different and inaccurate X

**Item 14 Overjet/Underbite**
- Measurements documented + or One ✓

**Item 15 Overbite/Openbite**
- Measurements documented + or One ✓

**Item 16 Crossbite**
- Records teeth numbers of specific areas affected + ✓ or X item

**Item 17 Deviate versions**
- Recorded as facial, lingual, midline, torso + ✓ or X item Deviate swallow noted

**Item 18 Parafunctional Habits**
- Questions and documents: nail biting, bruxism, chewing pens, hair pins +
- Fails to document one habit ✓
- Fails to document more than one habit X

**Item 19 Study Models**
- Uses proper technique for taking impressions and completing study models +
- Incorporates study models in occlusal assessment +
- Fails to do one of the above ✓
- Fails to do two of the above X

Category IV. Periodontal Assessment
Recognizes changes as follows: If correct = +, 1 error = ✓, more than one minor error = X one acute pathology missed X

**Item 20 Gingival Description**
- Color:
  - Differentiates pink from light to bright red, or pigmented oral soft tissues
- Size:
Describes and differentiates enlargement, shrinkage and/or gingival changes whether localized to margins or papillae.

**Shape margin/papillae:**
Describes changes in shape to margins (flat, irregular to rounded) or papillae (knife-like to bulbous, blunted or cratered)

**Consistency:**
Describes as spongy, edematous, firm or indurated, ulcerated, etc.

**Texture:**
Describes tissue as smooth and shiny (punched out rete pegs), or fibrotic

**Item 21 Recession Measurements**
Measures all areas of recession and determines the “clinical attachment level” (CAL)

**Item 22 Pocket Measurement Accuracy**
Accurate measurements of pocket depths, documents depths of 4mm or greater in red

**Item 23 C.A.L. Measures Attached Gingiva and Notes Clinical Attachment Levels**
Documents all areas of <1 mm of attached gingiva

**Item 24 Bleeding Points**
Records all areas of bleeding on probing with red pencil notations on periodontal chart

**Item 25 Mobility**
Accurately records mobile teeth according to classifications I, II, III +

**Item 26 Furcation Involvements**
Records all furcation involvements according to classifications ΔΔΔ

**Item 27 Etiological Factors**
Documents etiological factors such as bacterial plaque and local irritants, systemic disorders, tobacco use, or malocclusion.

**Item 28 Accuracy of Summary of Statement of Periodontal Status**
Inaccurate summary or failure to update at each appointment + or One ✓ Item

**Category V. Radiographic Process & Assessment**

**Item 29 Prescription Prior to Taking Radiographs**
Failure to obtain prescription prior to taking radiographs X

**Item 30 Technique/process/retake approval**
Error in one of the above ✓
Error in more than one of the above X

**Item 31 Interpretation/correlation with EO/IO, perio and hard tissue exam**
Error in one of the above ✓
Error in more than one of the above X

**Item 32 Name/date on radiographs and computerized records**
Failure to label radiographs X

**Item 33 Cumulative radiation record completed**
Inaccurate summary or failure to update at each appointment + or One ✓ Item

**Item 34 Confers with Dr. on diagnosis**
Failure to notify Dr. for diagnosis X Hard Tissue Exam

**Category VI. Hard Tissue Exam**

**Item 35 Missing teeth I.D.**
Correctly identifies and charts which teeth are missing (extracted or unerupted)
+ ✓ or X Item
**Item 36 Restoration I.D.**
Correctly identifies and charts restoration materials, surfaces restored, crowns, abutments, pontics of bridges, or sealants + ✓ or X item

**Item 37 Caries I.D.**
Correctly identifies and charts areas suspicious as carious lesions + ✓ or X item

**Item 38 Abnormality Identification**
Any findings not noted other than caries, missing teeth, or restorations, such as: fractures, erosions, abrasions, attrition, hypocalcifications, mottled enamel, rotations, imperfections, supernumerary teeth, and any anomalies + ✓ or X item

**Item 39 Assessment Update at successive and recall appointments**
Failure to update X

**Category VII. Deposit Assessment**
Grade according to Clinic Level: If percentage expected for each level the grade is +

If <10% inaccurate □ If > 10% inaccurate X

Clinic Grading Period Student must detect:
I 90% of Supragingival Cal 80% of Subgingival Cal
II-A 95% 80%
II-B 100% 85%
III-A 100% 90%
III-B 100% 95%

**Item 40 Supragingival underassessed/overassessed + ✓ or X item**

**Item 41 Subgingival underassessed/overassessed + ✓ or X item**

**Item 42 Soft deposit assessment + ✓ or X item**

**Item 43 Assessment of stain + ✓ or X item**

**Item 44 Updates at successive and recare appointments + ✓ or X item**

**PLANNING AND SELECTION OF INTERVENTIONS**

**Category VIII. Treatment Planning**

**Item 45 Formulates and presents dental hygiene diagnosis + □**
Inaccurate assessment ✓
Inappropriate presentation ✓
Failure to formulate or failure to present X

**Item 46 Prioritizes on patient needs, makes changes as needed**
Makes inappropriate change ✓
No change made when findings indicate the need X

**Item 47 Has realistic goals for the process of care + or One ✓ □ item**

**Item 48 Correct number and sequence of appointments**
Prepares a realistic treatment plan regarding the correct number of appointments and the proper sequence of treatment procedures +
Unrealistic plan of too few appointments, or too many appointments planned ✓
Inappropriate number of appointments and poor sequence of procedures X
No treatment plan in place X

**Item 49 Plans for pain control and stress reduction +**
Allows patient to dictate need for local anesthesia or stress reduction protocol ✓
Proceeds with treatment even though patient is in need of pain control as evidenced by patient behavior and reaction to treatment X

**Item 50 Plans timeframe for recare appointments** +
- Inappropriate timeframe scheduled for recare appointments ✓
- No recare appointments planned or scheduled X

**Item 51 Explains the need for referral to specialty practices** +
- Inappropriate referral made ✓
- No referral made when one is necessary X

**Item 52 Clearly explains alternatives, outcomes, expenses** + ✓ or □ X item

**Item 53 Patient consent confirmed with signatures**
- Responsible for 3 signatures: Patient, Student, Faculty + ✓ or □ X item

**IMPLEMENTATION AND ACTIVATING THE PLAN**

**Category IX. Preventive and Supportive Treatment**

**Item 54 Educates patient on conditions, needs, and commitment** + or One ✓ or □ item
- Missing one of the above ✓
- Missing two or more of the above ✓
- No presentation given to the patient on this information X

**Item 55 Overall health status considered in instruction**
- Failure to consider health problem placing patient at risk X

**Item 56 Selects the correct toothbrushing method** + or One ✓ or □ item

**Item 57 Interdental Aids**
- Selects interdental aids appropriate for patient needs, especially when pocket depths are greater than 3mm. (Perio Aide, toothpicking), or diastemas (Proxy brush), or crowding of teeth that makes plaque removal more difficult. (Informs patient that floss alone will not remove plaque in pocket depths greater than 3mm) + ✓ or □ item

**Item 58 Presentation**
- When educating patients, visual aids are used to explain progression of the disease
- Uses terminology that is appropriate for patient age and educational level. Defines terms and/or presents in lay terms as needed. ✓ or □ item

**Item 59 Plaque index**
- Completes an accurate plaque index on every new patient, and every returning patient and explains the plaque score to the patient +
- Completed plaque index is inaccurate ✓
- Fails to complete a plaque indices X

**Item 60 Patient as plaque free as possible after instruction** + or X only item

**Item 61 Tobacco cessation utilizing current methodology** +
- Failure to present information to patient X

**Item 62 Dietary counseling and lifestyle concerns as indicated** + or One ✓ or □ item

**Item 63 Selective coronal polishing; explains, uses correct techniques** + ✓ or □ X item

**Item 64 Topical fluoride treatment; explains, and uses correct techniques** + ✓ or □ X item

**Item 65 Floss care instruction if needed** + or One ✓ or □ item

**Item 66 Care of restorations, oral appliances, dentures** + ✓ or □ X item

**Item 67 Pit & fissure sealants as prescribed, using correct materials, techniques, placement** +
Item 68 Antibacterial placement agents (Arestin, etc.) + ✓ or X item
Item 69 Chemotherapeutic agents (chlorhexidine, etc.) + or One ✓ X item
Item 70 Desensitizing products, techniques (varnishes, MI Paste, etc.) + ✓ or X item
Item 71 Updates at successive and recare appointments + or One ✓ X item

Category X. Pain Control

Item 72 Pain Control Indications/contraindications – clinician’s judgement + or One ✓ X item
Item 73 Explains the need, procedure, post op. precautions + ✓ or X item
Item 74 Selection of type of local anesthetic + or One ✓ X item
Item 75 Topical anesthetic application + ✓ or X item
Item 76 Local anesthesia set up/administration technique + ✓ or X item
Item 77 Sedation: preparation/monitoring + ✓ or X item
Item 78 Antianxiety measures (presedation) clinician’s judgement + ✓ or X item
Item 79 Documents record noting analgesia, anesthesia: type, amount, effectiveness, reactions + or One ✓ item

Category XI. Instrumentation - Ultrasonics

Item 80 Appropriate indications for ultrasonics: deposits, lavage, health status, risks +
Item 81 Explanation of procedure to patient + or One ✓ X item
  Describes procedure and explains need for suction and avoidance of swallowing water and debris +

  Failure to explain ✓

Item 82 Equipment preparation, tip selection and patient/operator protection and safety
  Correctly sets up ultrasonic equipment (water control etc.) and drapes patient and gives paper
towels, and safety glasses.+ Forgets one item ✓
  Forgets more than one item X
Item 83 Pt/op positioning-neutral wrist. Clock/handle position
Item 84 Technique – placement and movement of tip/fulcrum
  Places side of tip on deposit and moves continuously to avoid heating up tooth surface and does so
with fulcrum maintained. + ✓ or X item
Item 85 Retraction of soft tissue, avoids spray on patient’s face + ✓ or X item
Item 86 Fluid Control suction, patient not swallowing water, debris + ✓ or X item

Hand Scaling & Debridement

Item 87 Patient – Operator Positioning All aspects of positioning are correct +
  One or the other is incorrect ✓
  Both patient and operator positioning are incorrect X
Item 88 Indirect Vision
  Uses indirect vision with dental mirror +
  Isolated incidence of not using indirect vision where needed to assure proper positioning and good
visibility ✓
  Repeated incidence of not using indirect vision where needed X
**Item 89 Instrument Selection – correct end/edge - sharpness**
Selects appropriate instrument and correct end/edge for specific areas and tooth surfaces+
Isolated incidence of not selecting appropriate instrument and end/edge

☑ Instruments not sharp

Repeated incidences of not selecting appropriate instrument and end/edge X

**Item 90 Grasp**
Grasp is correct at all times+ (fingers all together, no split, fulcrum finger advanced, thumb and index forming soft “C”)
Grasp is incorrect in one area of the mouth, or with one particular instrument ✓
Grasp is incorrect in more than one area of the mouth with instrument X

**Item 91 Fulcrum**
Fulcrum is rigid (support beam), fixed (not traveling during instrumentation), in proper position and correctly used throughout instrumentation +
Isolated area of inability to employ fulcrum, or using weak fulcrum (bent, traveling during instrumentation), or not in the correct place for area working ✓
If repeatedly failing to employ fulcrum in correct manner X

**Item 92 Parallelism**
Terminal shank is parallel to the long axis of the tooth during instrumentation +
Isolated area of not placing instrument parallel to long-axis of the tooth ✓
Repeatedly failing to keep instrument parallel to long-axis of the tooth X

**Item 93 Ease of Insertion (places instrument on “Get Ready Zone” to line up for insertion)**
Inserts instrument subgingivally at proper line angle, with no pressure, and as close to 0 degrees as possible to avoid tissue trauma +
One isolated insertion error ✓
More than one insertion error X

**Item 94 Exploratory Stroke**
Uses a light exploratory stroke with scaling instrument to detect calculus, and positions toe 1/3 of working end of instrument under the deposit before activating +
Isolated incidence of not using exploratory stroke ✓
Repeated incidence of not using exploratory stroke X

**Item 95 Adaptation**
Toe 1/3 is consistently adapted during instrumentation +
Isolated area of not adapting instrument to tooth ✓
Repeatedly failing to adapt instrument to tooth X

**Item 96 Activation**
Employs fulcrum and lateral pressure while opening + ✓ or X item

**Item 97 Angulation**
Instrument is inserted at 0 degrees, activation is initiated at 0 degrees and face of instrument is opened to 60-80 degrees during activation +
Isolated area of not initiating at 0, or opening to 60-80(closing on face) ✓
Repeatedly incorrect in angulation X

**Item 98 Pressure During Activation**
Uses light to moderate pressure, no scraping or heavy pressure during activation +
One incident of scraping instead of short controlled bite or longer lighter shave ✓
Repeated incidents of scraping instead of short controlled bites or longer light shaving X

**Item 99 Stroke Control**
The scaling stroke is less than 2mm. long and ends with instrument on the tooth +
Lifting the instrument off the tooth at stroke’s end ✓
Repeatedly lifting the instrument off the tooth at stroke’s end X

**Item 100 Vertical and Oblique Working Strokes**
Uses vertical and oblique working strokes to remove calculus deposits. Only uses horizontal or circumferencial strokes for fine scaling, and multi-directional strokes for root planing +
Failure to use productive vertical or oblique working strokes for calculus removal in one area ✓
Failure to use productive vertical or oblique working strokes for calculus removal in more than one area X

**Item 101 Hands Steady - Not shaking when performing instrumentation**
Does not shake during instrumentation, regardless of nervousness during performance, as hands are in control when performing instrumentation +
Isolated incidence of shaking during instrumentation ✓
Repeatedly shaking during instrumentation X

**Item 102 Gauze, Rinse Suction**
Takes every precaution to prevent patient from swallowing blood or loose calculus by using gauze and suction to absorb blood and collect loose deposits. Rinses and uses suction to avoid patient swallowing blood, or deposits. Finishes deep scaling procedures by using irrigation with Peridex or Listerine +
Failure to do any one of the above: gauze, suction, rinse, irrigate ✓
Failure to do more than one of the above X

**Item 103 Finishes by flossing and using subgingival irrigation +**
Failure to do one of the above ✓
Failure to do both of the above X

**Category XII. Calculus Removal**
Grade according to Clinic Level: If percentage for each level the grade is + not met ✓
If more than 10% of level expected remains X
I 90% of Supragingival calculus 80% of Subgingival calculus
II-A 95% 80%
II-B 100% 85%
III-A 100% 90%
III-B 100% 95%

**Item 104 Supragingival removal + ✓ or X item**
Within 10% of requirement ✓
Greater than 10% of requirement X

**Item 105 Subgingival removal + ✓ or X item**
Within 10% of requirement ✓
Greater than 10% of requirement X

**Item 106 No lacerations + ✓ or X item**
One laceration ✓
More than 1 laceration X

**Item 107 No burnished calculus + ✓ or X item**
One surface of burnished calculus ✓
More than one surface of burnished calculus X

**Item 108 At check out, states exactly where calculus remains + or One ✓ or X item**
EVALUATION COLLECTING FEEDBACK ON EFFECTIVENESS AND DOCUMENTATION-
COMPREHENSIVE RECORDING KEEPING

Category XIII. Evaluation and Quality Assurance

Item 109 Organization, appropriate sequence in appointment procedures

Item 110 Equipment preparation, organization and sequence
- Uses proper equipment and follows proper sequence during the appointment
- Is not prepared with proper armamentarium for procedure ✓
- Failing to check-in or out, misses or performs one procedure out of order ✓
- More than one procedure or item missing or out of order X

Item 111 Evaluation, documentation, computerized record control
- Prepared for evaluation: proper documents filled out and entered into computerized records +
- One missing item ✓
- More than one missing item X

Item 112 Student should NOT be wearing gloves at check-in so they can document instructor notes and wearing gloves at check-out to assist instructor with instrument transfer and suctioning.
- Student following protocol on gloves, documenting and assisting when necessary +
- Wearing gloves at check-in ✓
- Not wearing gloves at check-out ✓
- Not documenting instructor findings ✓
- Not assisting when necessary ✓ More than one of the above X

Item 113 Reason for visit discussed, documented +
- Failure to discuss or document reason for visit ✓
- Failure to discuss and document reason for visit X

Item 114 Treatment record page documented +
- One error in treatment record documentation ✓
- More than one error in treatment record documentation X

Item 115 Patient’s name/date on every page
- Name and date on every page +
- Name and date missing on one page ✓
- Name and date missing on more than one page X

Item 116 Signs forms, seeks instructor and patient for signatures
- Patient Bill of Rights and consent forms presented to patient and signed by patient +
- Failure to present and/or get signatures on the above ✓
- Failure to get signatures and answer questions pertaining to Bill of Rights X

Item 117 Completes student QA chart review of previous record of treatment and documentation
- Chart review is complete, accurate and up to date +
- One item missing or inaccurate or not updated ✓
- Two or more of the above not completed X

Item 118 Treatment Plan followed
- Patient treatment followed to completion as planned +
- Patient care is fragmented and not according to timelines ✓
- Patient’s treatment is not completed X

Item 119 Student evaluation of care (treatment results documented) +
- Student has an inaccurate assessment of results or rationale for results of prior patient treatment ✓
- Student makes inappropriate plan to resolve problematic response to prior treatment ✓
Student fails to evaluate and update at all X  
All entries on treatment record page are detailed, correct and signed by student +  
One error in documentation of treatment record  
More than one error in documentation of treatment record X  
Continued comprehensive care referrals recommended +  
Student fails to do either of the above X

**Item 120 Continuned comprehensive care referrals recommended +**  
Student fails to do either of the above

**Item 121 Recare appointment times scheduled**  
Student schedules recare appointment at appropriate interval and follows through with recare appointment +  
Student fails to do either of the above X

**XIV. Ethics and Professionalism**

**Item 122 Attendance and Punctuality**  
Student is in attendance and on time +  
Student is either late or leaves early ✓  
Student came in late and left early X

**Item 123 Time Management**  
Student is using time wisely in the best interest of the patient +  
Student is not using time wisely and is wasting the patient’s time X

**Item 124 Infection control and patient safety assured**  
Student follows all protocols for infection control and patient safety +  
Student does not follow protocols X

**Item 125 Appearance, Demeanor, Attitude, Composure**  
Student is professional in all ways +  
Student is unprofessional with one isolated and minor appearance ✓  
Student has more than one appearance problem X  
Student is unprofessional in anyway in demeanor, attitude or composure X

**Item 126 Consent forms signed prior to any procedures, treatment**  
All forms signed +  
Any consent forms not signed X

**Item 127 Discretion and privacy of patient protected**  
Student is very discrete and protects patient privacy +  
Student is indiscrete or not protective of patient privacy X

**Item 128 Patient Rapport and Compassion**  
Student establishes patient rapport and shows compassion +  
Student establishes minimal patient rapport ✓  
Student fails to establish any patient rapport X  
Student does not show compassion X

**Item 129 Teamplayer, Self-directed, Helps**  
Student helps where needed without having to be told +  
Student wants to be helpful, but does not realize what he/she needs to do ✓  
Student is not self-directed or not a teamplayer X

**Item 130 Accepts fair, negative feedback**  
Student welcomes fair, negative feedback +  
Student does not accept the feedback X
**Item 131 Recognizes the Need to Learn**
Student recognizes that they need to learn and improve +
Student does not recognize or is unwilling to change X

**Item 132 Acknowledges and Corrects Errors**
Student acknowledges errors and makes corrections +
Student refuses to acknowledge errors X

**Item 133 Practices effective communication skills**
Communicates with patient at their level of understanding +
Uses technical terms when lay terms are necessary ✓
Uses lay terms when patient has a background to understand technical terms ✓
Fails to clarify conditions, procedures to patient X

**Item 134 Proper grammar spoken and written**
Uses correct grammar when speaking and writing, and correct spelling when writing +
One error in grammar or spelling ✓
More than one error in grammar and/or spelling X

**Item 135 Practices within limits of knowledge and skills**
Stays within limits of knowledge and skills +
Practices beyond the limits of knowledge and skills X

**Item 136 Follows Rules, Laws & Regulations**
Follows all rules +
Does not follow one or more rules X

**Item 137 Meets commitments**
Is accountable and reliable in meeting all commitments +
Failure to meet one or more commitments X

**Item 138 Reports Misconduct**
Reports misconduct to instructors, administration or law officials as indicated +
Fails to report misconduct X

**Item 139 Completes assignments on time**
Completes all assignments on time +
Fails to complete one or more assignments on time X

**Item 130 Makes learning a priority**
Values learning as a priority +
During this session student is grade oriented or anxious to get through the appointment instead of being learning oriented X
3.30 Clinician Medication Policy

People take medications for many conditions and such matters are confidential. As professionals, we must recognize when our abilities are impaired. Safety is an important aspect of professional practice.

We must respect safe interaction with patients, our colleagues, and ourselves.

Any student or faculty member who takes medication that impairs their ability, must recognize this and refrain from any work in the clinical setting. This would include RA, CA, screening, and all chairside duties. Students and faculty who are impaired will be dismissed from all clinical duties.

Students are encouraged to consult with the clinical course directors about absences for any reason. See sections 3.1 and 3.2 for policies regarding attendance.

3.31 UNE Dental Hygiene Program Standards of Care (See 1.5)

3.32 Program Clinic and Lab Attire

I. Clinical Attire

A. Clinic/Laboratory setting – working on patients
   1. Scrubs
   2. Protective gown/cover – provided by the Department
   3. White shoes/sneakers
   4. White socks
      a. Legs should be completely covered
   5. Tattoos must be covered

B. Hair must be fastened off the face with no obvious loose ends
   1. If you put your head down and hair falls onto your face, you need to pin it back
   2. Bobby pins, hair clips and non-porous head bands that are impervious to fluid and can be disinfected may be worn to keep hair back and away from the patient
   3. Disposable surgical hats may be worn if desired

C. All jewelry must be removed
   1. Wedding rings
   2. Watches
   3. Tongue rings
   4. Necklaces
   5. Facial jewelry

D. Protective gowns/cover must be removed before leaving the work area

E. Clinic attire should be laundered in hot water, detergent and bleach daily
II. Lab Attire

A. If working in a lab setting (no patients), students may wear slacks (no jeans), closed-toed shoes, and an appropriate protective gown/cover

B. No jewelry

III. Classroom / Professional Presentations

A. Professional business attire is expected in some cases. See individual course syllabi.

3.33 Risk Assessments

Many patients are not aware that they have risk factors for systemic and/or oral disease. Risk assessment provides a way to evaluate patients and to identify factors to prevent disease or to provide early intervention for conditions to minimize the factor’s impact.

It is an expectation that risk assessment be conducted on each patient, assessments for oral health include, tobacco use, enamel caries and root caries, and periodontal risk assessment.

Risk Assessments are accomplished by the use of risk assessment forms. Examples of forms can be found in the appendix.

Assessing the Patient for Tobacco Use

Numerous oral conditions are attributed to tobacco use and vary with the type of tobacco used. Because of that, tobacco use can seriously compromise patient care or the patient’s ability to heal from dental treatment. Use information from the Patient History to assess the willingness of a patient who answered affirmatively to tobacco use on the health history to end his or her tobacco use.

Remember the 5-A’s: Ask, Advise, Assess, Assist, Arrange.

The Brief Intervention

A few simple questions about tobacco use and quitting behavior can serve as an effective assessment to determine when to initiate a brief intervention.

Tools for brief interventions and assessment:

Brief Conversations: An effective assessment can be conducted using a few simple questions:

- Have you used tobacco in the past 6 months?
- Do you currently use tobacco?
- How often do you use tobacco?
- Have you ever tried to quit or thought about quitting?
- What strategies or medications did you use?
In-depth Counseling

For more in-depth or intensive counseling, a number of assessment tools have been developed which can be of great assistance in gathering important information.

Fagerstrom Tolerance Questionnaire: See the Tobacco Use Assessment Form

This brief questionnaire provides a means of quantifying the degree of dependence on tobacco which is being exhibited by the patient or client. A key question in this assessment is: "How soon after waking do you smoke your first cigarette?" Research has shown that this question is at least as important as asking an individual about how much they smoke.

SBIRT: Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment

Screening, brief intervention, and referral to treatment (SBIRT) is a comprehensive, integrated, public health approach to the delivery of early intervention and treatment services. The risk screening and brief intervention is used for persons with substance use disorders and those whose use is at higher levels of risk. Primary care centers, schools, clinics and other community settings provide excellent opportunities for early intervention with at-risk substance users and for intervention for persons with substance use disorders. The dental hygiene program is committed to provide preventive patient care with this screening and brief intervention.

Caries Risk Assessment

Caries management by risk assessment is an accepted method to identify risk factors for caries, including root caries and recommendations for treatment. This risk assessment and proposed interventions are based on the concept of altering the balance of pathologic factors and protective factors. Caries risk assessment forms: (Age 0-6) and form(Age >6) by the American Dental Association are in the Appendix.

Hyposalivation Screening Tool Xerostomia is a risk factor for caries, cervical caries and other oral conditions, such as fungal infections. The American Dental Hygienist’s Association provides a tool to assess hyposalivation, including risk and treatment options for the risk categories.

Periodontal Disease Risk Assessment

The student will conduct a periodontal risk assessment to help predict a patient’s risk for developing periodontal disease and to assist the patient in acquiring motivation, knowledge, attitudes and practices that will lead to successful management of periodontal disease(s) or the prevention of periodontal disease(s). The University Of New England Periodontal Disease Risk Assessment Form adapted from the American Academy of Periodontology is in the Appendix.

3.34 Periodontal Treatment Protocol

All faculty and students will be aware of the Dental Hygiene Program’s Periodontal Treatment Protocol (PTP) and use it accordingly. The policy includes the use of criteria for assessment, dental hygiene diagnosis, planning, implementation, and evaluation of case indicators and the suggestion of clinical judgment by the clinician for recommending periodontal maintenance, as well as recommendations for individualized education and home care instruction. This policy is based on the American Academy of Periodontology’s Parameters of Care. A copy of the PTP is in Appendix IV.
MEDICAL CONSIDERATIONS
FOR PATIENT CARE
4.1 Medical History Complications Procedure for the Medically Compromised Patient

Significant complications noted on a patient’s medical history should be reviewed with your instructor before proceeding to any definitive care.

*Significant medical history should be noted in **RED** on the upper right front corner of each patient’s chart and noted under medical alerts in Dentrix.

The protocol for all conditions of significant medical history is the same:
1. **CONSULT** with your instructor before proceeding to any oral exam or procedure.
2. **DETERMINE** the need for any special precautions before proceeding.
3. **DOCUMENT** any decisions and recommendations received from an instructor or consulting physician.

1. **Consultation:** Before consulting with your instructor, prepare by reviewing the appropriate text material or this manual.

2. **Determination:** The patient should be categorized as “High Risk” or “Low Risk” depending on the medical facts. Management or precautionary treatment should always be based on the latest protocols established by the appropriate professional review board. Review the ASA Physical Status Classification System note at the end of 4.00 to help determine the risk of dental hygiene treatment and the appropriate action.

3. **Documentation:** All decisions should be written in the narrative/services rendered section of the patient chart. Documentation includes a written record of any phone consultations with a physician. The date, time, and content of the conversation must be recorded, and witnessed by the instructor. Completeness is essential for all documentation. It is most prudent to have the physician follow up this conversation with a document relating all diagnostic and preventive information considered appropriate. This document will become a part of the patient’s clinic record.

The medically compromised patient may be defined as the patient with a disorder or treatment that would necessitate alterations in the provision of dental hygiene treatment.

**ASA* Physical Status Classification System**
(*ASA American Society of Anesthesiologists)

The ASA Risk Management System has been adapted to fit the clinical needs of the Dental Hygiene Clinic. The following classifications and examples are meant to guide dental hygiene care delivery. The ASA classification provides a means for the identification of the medically compromised patient. The following is intended to be a relative value system based on clinical judgment and assessment of relevant clinical data. Whenever the clinician is unsure of any clinical data provided by the patient or determined by physical exam, the patient is classified ASA IV, Red Light for elective treatment. Consultation should be initiated. After consultation with the patient’s physician or other dental colleague, the patient’s ASA status may be upgraded to one of the treatable classifications or may remain in the untreatable category.¹ ²
ASA I  Normal healthy individuals
Green Light for treatment

ASA II  Mild systemic disease or extremely anxious ASA I
Yellow Light for treatment; proceed with CAUTION; minimal risk for elective hygiene treatment

Examples of ASA II patients:
- Adult onset diabetes
- Epilepsy
- Uncontrolled asthma
- well-controlled hyper or hypo-thyroid disorders - no symptoms
- ASA I patients with upper respiratory infection
- healthy pregnant women
- ASA I patients with drug allergies
- ASA I patients with extreme dental anxiety
- ASA I patients over 60 years old
  Adults with BP 140-159 systolic and 90-94 diastolic

ASA III  Severe systemic disease that limits activity but is not incapacitating. Symptoms only seen when patient is stressed.
Yellow Light for treatment; proceed with CAUTION; moderate risk may require treatment plan modification.

Examples of ASA III patients:
- Unstable angina pectoris
- status post-myocardial infarction more than 6 months
- status post-CVA more than 6 months
- well-controlled IDDM
- CHF with orthopnea and ankle edema
- COPD: emphysema or chronic bronchitis
- exercise induced asthma – can also be caused by anxiety
- less well controlled epilepsy
- hyper or hypothyroid disorders with symptoms
- adults with BP 160-199 systolic and/or 95-114 diastolic

ASA IV  No elective dental care
Red Light for treatment

Examples of ASA IV patients
- unstable angina pectoris
- myocardial infarction within 6 months
- CVA within 6 months
- adult BP above 200 systolic and/or 115 diastolic
- severe COPD or CHF (reqs O2 bottle or confined to wheelchair)
- uncontrolled epilepsy (Hx of hospitalization)
uncontrolled IDDM (Hx of hospitalization)

ASA V  Not expected to survive more than 24 hours
Red Light for treatment
Examples of ASA V patients
• end-stage renal disease
• end-stage hepatic disease
• end-stage cancer
• end-stage infectious disease
• end-stage cardiovascular disease
• end-stage respiratory disease


4.2 Diseases with Significant Oral Care Precautions

I. Cardiovascular Diseases

A. Hypertension (≥140/90mm Hg)
   RISK: A sustained elevation of diastolic blood pressure caused by increased peripheral arteriolar resistance may lead to cardiac, renal, retinal or cerebrovascular complications.
   MANAGEMENT: Strive to reduce patient stress and anxiety. Provide patient with card indicating: date, pressure reading, and arm used for measurement. See Appendix II for management table. Check for xerostomia if patient is on antihypertensive medications. Do not use local anesthesia formulations with epinephrine vasoconstrictors.

B. Heart Attack
   RISK: If a history or heart attack within the last six months exists, there is an elevated risk of repeat attacks.
   MANAGEMENT: No dental hygiene care if less than six months. No restrictions if longer than six months.

C. Angina Pectoris
   RISK: Patients with unstable angina pectoris are very susceptible to arrhythmias, myocardial infarctions, and sudden death.
   MANAGEMENT: Unstable angina is a High Risk situation – no dental care. Stable angina (under the current care of a physician) is a Low Risk situation – dental care given only if patient has nitroglycerin medication with them.

D. Heart Murmur of Pathologic Origin, Congenital Heart Defect or Lesion, and Artificial Heart Valve
   RISK: Patients with any of the above conditions, as determined by their physician, are susceptible to bacterial endocarditis.
MANAGEMENT: If susceptible, and gingival bleeding is anticipated, oral antibiotic prophylaxis is required. (See Appendix I)

E. Arrhythmias
RISK: Arrhythmia may precipitate fibrillation and sudden death. High Risk patients are unstable with symptoms, pulse greater than 100, irregular pulse, or bradycardia with a pacemaker. Moderate Risk patients are taking chronic medication but are asymptomatic or have a pacemaker. Low Risk patients have no symptoms and no medications but episodic, identifiable etiology.

F. Stroke - Cerebrovascular Accident
RISK: Stroke is a sudden life-threatening condition. High Risk patients are less than 6 months post-attack. Low Risk patients have survived beyond 6 months with or without permanent physical handicaps.
MANAGEMENT: High Risk – no dental treatment. Low Risk patients can receive dental care with the following precautions: 1) strive to reduce appointment stress and anxiety, 2) be aware of prolonged period needed to achieve homeostasis if on anticoagulant medication, and 3) avoid excessive vasoconstrictor in local anesthesia.

II. BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS

This is a diverse category but the common denominator is that these pathogens all are transmitted within blood droplets. The greatest risks to clinicians are needle stick injury and infected blood entering a wound or the oral cavity.

A. Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)
RISK: Infection with the HIV-1 and HIV-2 virus is universally fatal. Prevention of virus infection to others via contaminated blood should be of prime concern.
MANAGEMENT: HIV-infected asymptomatic patients are managed like any other patient in the clinic. Use Universal Precautions. AIDS patients with thrombocytopenia present clotting problems during scaling procedures; consult with the physician about possible platelet augmentation. Patients with advanced immunosuppression and neutropenia will require oral antibiotic prophylaxis; consult with the physician if in doubt. All HIV-infected patients are more susceptible to opportunistic infections and will require closer periodontal management. It is recommended that daily chlorhexidine mouth rinse be advised to keep all oral infections minimized. Patients with severe AIDS symptoms should be treated to reduce pain and oral infection in these patients. Aggressive periodontal procedures are contraindicated since thrombocytopenia will create clotting problems.

B. Hepatitis
RISK: Type B hepatitis (HBV), type C hepatitis (HCV), and type D hepatitis (HDV) have varying degrees of infectivity, but all are blood borne pathogens. Chronic liver destruction and death is a consequence of infection.
MANAGEMENT: A careful health history and Universal Precautions are always practiced. Patients with active hepatitis will not receive hygiene care. Patients with a known history of hepatitis should be encouraged to have laboratory tests to determine whether the patient is a carrier of the type B surface antigen HbsAg. The patient will need counseling by their physician on the patient’s infectivity and how to prevent infection of others. Patients with the signs and symptoms of hepatitis should be referred to a physician, no hygiene care is rendered.

III. HEMATOLOGIC DISORDERS

A. Bleeding Disorders
   RISK: Congenital or acquired bleeding disorders and drug induced bleeding problems pose a hemostasis problem during hygiene scaling procedures. Patients identified by health history with the following conditions require special precautions.
   • Hemophilia
   • Von Willibrand’s disease
   • Anticoagulation therapy such as; Warfarin, Pradaxa, Xarelto (e.g. stroke and phlebitis)
   • Aspirin therapy
   • Liver cirrhosis
   • Severe hepatitis
   • Malnutrition
   • NSAID therapy (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs)
   • Cancer chemotherapy

   MANAGEMENT: No hygiene procedures that may cause gingival bleeding should be performed if the patient health history, oral exam, or medication list indicates a bleeding disorder exists. The patient should be referred to his physician for diagnosis. A patient under the supervision of a physician for a bleeding disorder, should not be given hygiene care until the supervising physician is consulted. (See Appendix III for blood chemistry values and discussion of INR).

B. Immunoincompetence
   RISK: Several congenital or acquired conditions cause the immune system to be incompetent to control infection or repair tissue damage. Life-threatening infection can be caused by invasive hygiene procedures and subsequent bacteria. The following is a partial list of such conditions:

   • HIV infection/AIDS
   • Immunosuppressive drug therapy (cancer and organ transplantation)
   • Corticosteroid therapy
   • Diabetes mellitus (UNCONTROLLED)
   • Alcoholism
   • Splenectomized patients
   • Leukemia (white-blood cell disorders)

   MANAGEMENT: Before any invasive hygiene procedures, and consultation with the current physician is required. It is imperative to determine the status of the patient’s hematological condition, and the need for antibiotic coverage to prevent life-threatening septicemias. (See Appendix III for pertinent blood cell laboratory values)
C. Kidney Transplant

Kidney patients are advised to tell their kidney doctor when a dental procedure is required. The doctor may recommend antibiotics be taken prior to the procedure to help guard against infection. The dentist should be made aware that their patient has kidney disease or is on dialysis. Ideally, dental procedures, such as tooth extraction, should occur on a non-dialysis day for those on hemodialysis. Heparin, administered during hemodialysis, may cause some people to have extra bleeding.

During workup for a kidney transplant a person will undergo a thorough oral exam. Infections from gum disease or advanced tooth decay can prevent someone from being eligible or delay the transplant until dental work is completed.

For UNE dental hygiene patients receiving dialysis, we require consultation from their Nephrologist on the need of antibiotic premedication. Peritoneal dialysis presents no additional problems in dental management. However, this is not the case with patients who are receiving hemodialysis.


IV. RESPIRATORY TRACT

A. Anaphylactic Bronchoconstriction

RISK: Systemic reaction to an allergen precipitates life-threatening constriction of bronchiole smooth muscles. Patients with a history of allergies to antibiotics, pain-relievers, local anesthetics and latex are of special concern to hygienists.

MANAGEMENT: Injection of epinephrine (Epi-Pen) is recommended to quickly reverse the symptoms created by muscle contraction.

B. Emphysema

RISK: Life-threatening hypoxia may occur if physiologic oxygen demands exceed ability of damaged alveoli to oxygenate blood.

MANAGEMENT: Do not place patient in supine position, strive to reduce appointment stress and anxiety, and ensure current physician-recommended medications such as bronchodilators are available.

C. Asthma

RISK: Life-threatening bronchospasm caused by hypersensitive airway may occur.

MANAGEMENT: Ensure that patient is compliant with physician recommendations for drug therapy. Patient should have prescribed emergency drug readily available (e.g. theophylline). Do not use local anesthetics with epinephrine if patient is also using other sympathomimetic agents.

V. ENDOCRINE DISORDERS

A. Diabetes Mellitus

RISK: Uncontrolled diabetics are at HIGH RISK for life-threatening infections following invasive hygiene therapy. Diabetics whose condition is under control using physician prescribed drugs or
diet modification are at LOW RISK for infections. Under control means that no recent episodes of insulin shock has occurred, no recent changes in drug therapy have been required, no recent history of frequent infections and no concurrent medical conditions such as hypertension or coronary artery disease exist. The patient’s control can be ascertained by the HBA1C Test which reflects the average blood glucose level over the last three months. See Appendix for chart on interpretation of the HBA1C Test.

MANAGEMENT: High Risk patients with an A1C greater than 8 should not receive dental hygiene treatment without consultation between the dental professional and appropriate physician. Low Risk patients may receive hygiene care. For insulin-dependent diabetics, recommend normal insulin dosages, a normal breakfast, and morning hygiene appointments (high glucose and low insulin activity). Strive to reduce appointment stress and anxiety that will limit the release of endogenous epinephrine. Epinephrine is antagonistic to insulin. Local anesthetics with epinephrine should be used sparingly.

IF IN DOUBT, CONSULT THE PHYSICIAN BEFORE TREATMENT.

B. Thyroid Disease

RISK: Uncontrolled hyperthyroidism is a HIGH RISK condition that is life-threatening when a “thyroid storm” occurs. This attack may cause extreme tachycardia and fever. Patients with controlled hypothyroidism taking thyroid supplements are at LOW RISK.

MANAGEMENT: High Risk patients should not receive hygiene care since their ability to tolerate stress is limited. Low Risk patients may receive hygiene care.

VI. MUSCULOSKELETAL CONDITIONS

A. Joint Prosthesis

RISK: Patients at HIGH RISK have a history of joint replacement, with or without active periodontal infection, unstable prosthesis, severe diabetes type I, immunoincompetency, or other blood dyscrasias. LOW RISK patients exhibit no complications with the prosthesis or other systemic conditions.

MANAGEMENT: No hygiene care should be given to High or Low Risk patients without first consulting with the orthopedic physician. The physician’s recommendation for antibiotic coverage should be followed. AAOS recommends all patients with prosthetic joint replacement Immunocompromised/immunosuppressed patients, Inflammatory arthropathies (e.g.: rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus erythematosus), Drug-induced immunosuppression, Radiation-induced immunosuppression, Patients with co-morbidities (e.g.: diabetes, obesity, HIV, smoking) previous prosthetic joint infections, Malnourishment, Hemophilia, HIV infection; be considered for antibiotic prophylaxis.

B. Bisphosphonate related Osteonecrosis of the Jaw (ONJ)

RISK: Patients taking IV Bisphosphonate, commonly, for the management of metastatic breast cancer and multiple myeloma and patients taking oral bisphosphonates for the management of osteoporosis are at LOW RISK for ONJ, between 1 and 10 percent for IV bisphosphonate and 1 in 10,000 or less than 1 in 100,000 patient-treatment years for oral bisphosphonate use.

MANAGEMENT: Because IV use of bisphosphonates generally accompanies comorbidities, such as cancer, and puts the patient at higher risk, a consultation with the oncologist is recommended before invasive dental or dental hygiene care. Oral use of bisphosphonates for osteoporosis puts
patients at LOW RISK for ONJ, patients must be informed of the low risk of ONJ. Low risk patients are eligible for all normal hygiene care.*

*Footnote:

1. American Dental Association – oral bisphosphonate for less than 3 years, no clinical risk factors. ADA recommends a three month drug holiday before and after oral surgery. There is no data to support this recommendation and ADA suggests clinical judgment based on individual benefit/risk management.
3. American Society for Bone and Mineral Research – patients should have the same dental care (prophylaxis, restorations, and root canal therapy) recommended for the general population.

VII. HIGHLY CONTAGIOUS INFECTIONS

A. Tuberculosis

RISK: Infected patients can disseminate highly infectious microbes to clinician and other patient; mode of transmission is exhalation aerosol. Health history notes showing positive TB test, fever, weight loss, night sweats, cough, blood in sputum, tender lymph nodes, current medications includes anti-tuberculosis drugs (streptomycin, ethambutol, isoniazid) all indicate HIGH RISK patient.

MANAGEMENT: Contagious individuals will not receive hygiene care. All High Risk patients must be designated non-contagious by a consultation with current physician.

B. Impetigo

RISK: Discharge from skin lesions is highly infectious source of pathogens.

MANAGEMENT: No hygiene care given until lesions are completely resolved.

C. Herpes Simplex

RISK: Active herpetic lesions transmit HSV-1 and HSV-2 viruses which are highly contagious. MANAGEMENT: Patients who report recurrent “fever blisters” on their health history should be classified as HIGH RISK individuals. Universal Precautions should be strictly followed for all patients and is the primary method to “break the chain of infection”. If an active lesion is discovered during routine oral exam, the patients should be informed and educated about their infectivity. They are a risk to themselves for further lesions and to their family and intimates for new disease. Hygiene care is not recommended since the virus can be spread to other sites on the patient. High Risk patients should be instructed to reschedule any imminent appointment if an active or prodromal lesion is evident.

D. Potentially Infectious patients, students and staff

Patients, students and staff that are potentially infectious and display illness should be dismissed from the clinic. Patients at intake should be asked about their travel and occupational history, including respiratory signs and symptoms and fever.
The major source of all of the above material on medical considerations was:


4.3 Medical Emergency Risk Management

Prevention is the best management tool for all medical emergency possibilities. Being alert and observant are your most important clinical traits. Knowledge of the various at risk diseases and conditions that are common in the patient population, will allow the clinician to mentally prepare and physically cope with the most common dental clinic medical emergencies.

A well-taken medical history will inform the clinician of the patient’s current and past history of disease. A thorough review of the patient’s medications is vital, as well as, drug interaction guidelines. Read the narrative section of the patient chart to discover any abnormal occurrences during previous hygiene appointments. Observe the patient’s present physical (vital signs, skin color, etc.) and mental (anxiety level, ability to understand conversation) appearance, and proceed with the intended treatment plan if all signs appear normal.

4.4 Medical Emergency Plan of Action Protocol

Plan of Action – Emergencies in the Dental Hygiene Building

1. Recognize the emergency. Immediately say “Code Red” to the nearest instructor.

2. The student clinician should take appropriate immediate action with the patient.

3. The student clinician should ask a neighboring student to get an airway, oxygen tank, blanket, and emergency kit. The student clinician should never leave the patient unattended.

4. When the instructor takes over control, the student clinician should inform the instructor of any pertinent medical history, e.g. heart condition, diabetes.

5. The instructor may ask the student to call for medical emergency services, the patient’s physician, or the patient’s dentist.

   A. There is a phone by the main exit of the clinic, in each faculty office, and at the Reception Desk in the lobby. Promptly use the nearest phone to contact medical emergency services.

   B. Emergency phone numbers are listed by the telephone. MEDICAL EMERGENCY dial “911” to reach MEDCU, Fire and Police. POISON CONTROL telephone number is 1-800-442-6305.

   C. Quickly state: Emergency – Example: unconscious person Location – Dental Hygiene Building
6. The instructor will ask the student to proceed to the Reception Desk area in the lobby to direct arriving MEDCU, Fire, or Police personnel.

7. All other students should stay with their patients and keep calm.

8. Keep all unnecessary personnel away from the patient.

4.5 Emergency Procedures

1. Vasodepressor Syncope

   A. Symptoms
      1. Presyncope
         a. pale
         b. cold sweat
         c. dizzy
         d. nausea
         e. warm feeling
      2. Syncope
         a. death-like appearance
         b. shallow gasping breathing
         c. dilated pupils
         d. convulsive movements (possible)

   B. First Aid
      1. Remain calm
      2. Place patient in Trendelenburg positions (supine position with feet slightly elevated)
      3. Maintain open airway through the head-tilt neck-lift method
      4. Use ammonia capsule
      5. Furnish oxygen
      6. Monitor vital signs
      7. Make patient comfortable (loosen / tighten clothes)
      8. Record all information in patient chart

2. Airway Obstruction

   A. Causes
      1. extracted teeth
      2. amalgam
      3. rubber dam clamp
      4. crowns
      5. impressions materials
      6. broken burs
B. First Aid
   1. Partial obstruction – adequate air exchange:
      Position Patient upright and encourage the patient to cough
   2. Partial obstruction – inadequate air exchange:
      Treat the condition as if the patient was suffering from a complete obstruction
   3. Complete airway obstruction – conscious: Abdominal thrusts
   4. Complete airway obstruction – unconscious:
      a. Open airway
      b. Attempt to ventilate
      c. If unable, reposition airway
      d. Attempt to ventilate
      e. Abdominal thrusts
      f. Two finger sweeps

3. Cardiac Arrest
   A. Symptoms
      1. no pulse
      2. gasping, followed by no breathing
      3. cyanosis
   B. First Aid
      1. Immediately initiate CPR
      2. Summon medical assistance

4. Respiratory
   A. Symptoms
      1. labored or weak respiration or cessation of breathing
      2. cyanosis
   B. First Aid
      1. Lay patient down flat
      2. Monitor vitals
      3. Administer oxygen

5. Cerebrovascular Accident (CVA)
   A. Symptoms
      1. headache
      2. unconscious
      3. paralysis
      4. confusion
      5. impaired speech
      6. unequal pupils
      7. respiratory difficulty
   B. First Aid
      1. Stop all dental treatment
      2. Position the patient with the head slightly elevated
      3. Monitor vital signs
      4. Administer oxygen
      5. Summon medical assistance
      6. Keep patient calm and quiet
7. Provide CPR if needed
8. Do no administer drugs that alter neurological activity

*If victim is greatly overweight or in the late stages of pregnancy, give chest thrusts.

6. Angina Pectoris
   
   A. Symptoms
      1. substernal chest pain
      2. patient remains motionless
      3. normal appearance or paleness
   
   B. First Aid
      1. Remain calm
      2. Stop dental treatment
      3. Position patient in their most comfortable position
      4. Administer nitroglycerin

7. Myocardial Infarction
   
   A. Symptoms
      1. pain usually occurs at rest
      2. compressing, squeezing pain beginning substernal and spreading
      3. severity of pain varies
      4. pain is not relieve by nitroglycerin
      5. cold, clammy skin
      6. vomiting
      7. nausea
      8. sweating
      9. weakness or extreme fatigue
      10. feeling of impending doom
   
   B. First Aid
      1. Stop dental treatment
      2. Administer nitroglycerin
      3. Summon medical assistance if nitroglycerin does not relieve pain
      4. Keep patient quiet and calm
      5. Position patient in a seated position
      6. Provide oxygen
      7. Be prepared to perform CPR

8. Anaphylaxis
   
   A. Symptoms
      1. Skin
         a. generalized pruritus
         b. urticaria
         c. angioedema
2. Gastrointestinal
   a. nausea
   b. vomiting
   c. diarrhea
3. Respiratory
   laryngeal edema
4. Circulatory
   a. hypotension
   b. shock
   c. cardiac arrythmias
   d. complete circulatory collapse
5. PLUS
   a. sweating
   b. anxious feeling
   c. nervousness

B. First Aid
1. Summon medical assistance
2. Place the patient in supine position
3. Administer oxygen
4. Administer epinephrine
5. Administer antihistamine as needed
6. Perform cricothyrotomy if needed
7. Initiate CPR if needed

9. Diabetes Mellitus Hypoglycemia (insulin shock)
   A. Symptoms
      1. cold sweats
      2. nervousness
      3. trembling
      4. weakness
      5. personality change
   B. First Aid
      1. Conscious patient:
         Administer sugar source
      2. Unconscious patient:
         a. Give injection of glucagon
         b. Administer sugar source

9A. Diabetes Mellitus Hyperglycemia / Ketosis (diabetic coma)
   A. Symptoms
      1. increased thirst
      2. increased urination
      3. loss of appetite
4. nausea
5. vomiting
6. fatigue
7. abdominal pains
8. generalize aches

B. First Aid
1. Conscious patient:
   Administer their own insulin
2. Unconscious patient:
   Transport to medical facility

10. Contact Dermatitis

A. Symptoms
   1. itching
   2. erythema
   3. edema
   4. vesicle formation

B. First Aid
1. Remove contactants
2. Antihistamine
3. Corticosteroids

11. Urticaria (hives)

A. Symptoms
   Raised areas of erythema and edema

B. First Aid
   Remove substance

12. Angioedema

A. Symptoms
   1. localized swelling of submucosa
   2. localized swelling of subcutaneous tissue
   3. usually single lesions – no pain

B. First Aid
1. Remove the cause
2. Administer antihistamine
13. Epilepsy

A. Symptoms
1. Grand Mal
   a. prodromal phase: personality change and aura
   b. convulsive phase: tonic movements and clonic movements, sphincter muscle control loss, bladder control loss
   c. postical phase: regaining of consciousness, confusion, deep sleep
2. Petit Mal “Absence Seizure”
   a. blank stare
   b. twitch
   c. rapid blink
   d. short duration
3. Partial Seizure
   a. jerking movements of one body part
   b. trance-like state
   c. fidgets

B. First Aid
1. Remove dental materials from patient’s mouth
2. Remove objects that may injure the patient
3. Remove glasses and loosen clothing
4. Do not restrain the patient
5. Place the patient on one side once seizure is over
6. Reassure the patient
7. Do not give the patient anything to eat or drink
8. Let the patient recover

14. Asthma

A. Symptoms
1. coughing
2. sweating
3. tightness in chest
4. difficulty in breathing
5. wheezing
6. blood pressure normal or elevated
7. increase in heart rate
8. nervousness

B. First Aid
1. Stop treatment – remove everything from mouth
2. Position patient in an upright position
3. Administer bronchodilator
4. Administer oxygen
5. Administer epinephrine
6. Summon medical help
15. Hyperventilation

A. Symptoms
   1. Nervousness
   2. Increase in rate of respirations
   3. Feeling of suffocation
   4. Tightness in chest
   5. Dizziness
   6. Tingling in extremities

B. First Aid
   1. Stop treatment
   2. Position the patient in an upright position
   3. Calm the patient
   4. Have patient breathe into paper bag
   5. Drug therapy if needed (deazepam)

16. Burns

A. Symptoms
   1. First degree
      Skin reddened
   2. Second degree
      Blisters
   3. Third degree
      a. Serious burn
      b. Severe damage
   4. Chemical burn of oral mucous membrane

B. First Aid
   1. First Degree
      a. Immerse or cover with cool or cold water or ice
      b. Do not apply ointment, grease or baking soda
   2. Second Degree
      a. Call ambulance
      b. Do not remove clothing
      c. Keep patient warm
      d. Cover loosely with nonadherent dressing
   3. Chemical burn of oral mucous membrane
      a. Flush with cool water
      b. Advise bland diet during healing

17. Foreign Body in Eye

A. Symptoms
   1. Tears
2. stinging

B. First Aid
   1. Two Eye Wash Stations
      a. Sink near emergency exit door
      b. Lab downstairs
   2. Irrigate promptly with copious amounts of water
   3. Turn head so water flows away from inner aspect of the eye. Continue for 15-20 minutes.
APPENDICES
APPENDIX I

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PREVENTION OF BACTERIAL ENDOCARDITIS

The American Heart Association guidelines for prevention of BE are substantially different from previously published guidelines. This information replaces previous information that was based on guidelines published in 1997.

The American Heart Association’s Endocarditis Committee together with national and international experts on BE extensively reviewed published studies in order to determine whether dental, gastrointestinal (GI), or genitourinary (GU) tract procedures are possible causes of BE. These experts determined that there is no conclusive evidence that links dental, GI, or GU tract procedures with the development of BE.

The current practice of giving patients antibiotics prior to a dental procedure is no longer recommended EXCEPT for patients with the highest risk of adverse outcomes resulting from BE. The Committee cannot exclude the possibility that an exceedingly small number of cases, if any, of BE may be prevented by antibiotic prophylaxis prior to a dental procedure. If such benefit from prophylaxis exists, it should be reserved ONLY for those patients listed below. The Committee recognizes the importance of good oral and dental health and regular visits to the dentist for patients at risk of BE.

Antibiotic prophylaxis with dental procedures is recommended only for patients with cardiac conditions associated with the highest risk of adverse outcomes from endocarditis, including:

- **Prosthetic cardiac valve**
- **Previous endocarditis**
- **Congenital heart disease only in the following categories:**
  - Unrepaired cyanotic congenital heart disease, including those with palliative shunts and conduits
  - Completely repaired congenital heart disease with prosthetic material or device, whether placed by surgery or catheter intervention, during the first six months after the procedure*
  - Repaired congenital heart disease with residual defects at the site or adjacent to the site of a prosthetic patch or prosthetic device (which inhibit endothelialization)

- **Cardiac transplantation recipients with cardiac valvular disease**

*Prophylaxis is recommended because endothelialization of prosthetic material occurs within six months after the procedure.*
All dental procedures that involve manipulation of gingival tissue or the periapical region of teeth, or perforation of the oral mucosa*

*Antibiotic prophylaxis is NOT recommended for the following dental procedures or events: routine anesthetic injections through noninfected tissue; taking dental radiographs; placement of removable prosthodontic or orthodontic appliances; adjustment of orthodontic appliances; placement of orthodontic brackets; and shedding of deciduous teeth and bleeding from trauma to the lips or oral mucosa.

### Antibiotic Prophylactic Regimens Recommended for Dental Procedures

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<th>Situation</th>
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<th>Regimen – Single dose 30–60 minutes before procedure</th>
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<td>Oral</td>
<td>Amoxicillin</td>
<td>2 gm</td>
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<td>Unable to take oral medication</td>
<td>Ampicillin OR Cefazolin or ceftriaxone</td>
<td>2 g IM or IV OR 1 g IM or IV</td>
<td>50 mg/kg IM or IV</td>
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<td>Allergic to penicillins or ampicillin – Oral regimen</td>
<td>Cefalexin OR Clindamycin OR Azithromycin or clarithromycin</td>
<td>2 g OR 600 mg OR 500 mg</td>
<td>50 mg/kg OR 20 mg/kg OR 15 mg/kg</td>
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<td>Allergic to penicillins or ampicillin and unable to take oral medication</td>
<td>Cefazolin or ceftriaxone OR Clindamycin</td>
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*IM – intramuscular; IV – intravenous**Or other first or second generation oral cephalosporin in equivalent adult or pediatric dosage. † Cephalosporins should not be used in an individual with a history of anaphylaxis, angioedema or urticaria with penicillins or ampicillin. **Other Procedures:** BE prophylaxis
for procedures of the respiratory tract or infected skin, tissues just under the skin, or musculoskeletal tissue is recommended **ONLY** for patients with the underlying cardiac conditions shown above.


** Pre medication will only be dispensed to a patient if deemed appropriate by the orthopedic surgeon on a limited basis. Patients are responsible to use premedication provided by their physician.

### Orthopedic Implants

**Management of patients with prosthetic joints undergoing dental procedures**

**Clinical Recommendation:**

In general, for patients with prosthetic joint implants, prophylactic antibiotics are not recommended prior to dental procedures to prevent prosthetic joint infection.

For patients with a history of complications associated with their joint replacement surgery who are undergoing dental procedures that include gingival manipulation or mucosal incision, prophylactic antibiotics should only be considered after consultation with the patient and orthopedic surgeon.* To assess a patient’s medical status, a complete health history is always recommended when making final decisions regarding the need for antibiotic prophylaxis.

**Clinical Reasoning for the Recommendation:**

- There is evidence that dental procedures are not associated with prosthetic joint implant infections.
- There is evidence that antibiotics provided before oral care do not prevent prosthetic joint implant infections.
- There are potential harms of antibiotics including risk for anaphylaxis, antibiotic resistance, and opportunistic infections like *Clostridium difficile*.
- The benefits of antibiotic prophylaxis may not exceed the harms for most patients.
- The individual patient’s circumstances and preferences should be considered when deciding whether to prescribe prophylactic antibiotics prior to dental procedures.

* In cases where antibiotics are deemed necessary, it is most appropriate that the orthopedic surgeon recommend the appropriate antibiotic regimen and when reasonable write the prescription.

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*ADA Center for Evidence-Based Dentistry*
Antibiotic prophylaxis for patients with breast implants prior to dental procedures

Dr. Scott Froum and Brittany Wall discuss the etiology of early- and late-stage breast implant infection related to dental procedures and the rationale behind surgeons’ recommendations for antibiotic prophylaxis.

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BREAST AUGMENTATION SURGERY was the most common cosmetic plastic surgery procedure in the United States with more than 378,000 patients getting some form of breast augmentation in 2017. (1) Infection is the leading complication that occurs after breast implantation surgery. In a global survey, infections were observed in 2–5% of all operations in patients who underwent breast augmentation, with an incidence of 0.5–4% for acute postoperative infections, and 0.8% for late infections (one in 10,000 cases). (2) The origin of infection in women with breast implants remains difficult to determine, but the potential sources of infection are contaminated implants, contaminated saline, the surgery or surgical environment, the patient’s skin or mammary ducts, or, as suggested by many reports, seeding of the implant from remote infection sites. (3)

Many case reports have suggested that infections from invasive dental procedures have been associated with late-phase breast implant infections, especially those affected by capsular contracture. (4) A recent poll of 100 plastic surgery offices showed that approximately one-third of those questioned recommend some form of an antibiotic regimen prior to invasive dental procedures, citing bacteremia caused by dental work as a possible cause for breast implant infection. (5)

This article will briefly explain the etiology of early- and late-stage breast implant infection as it relates to dental procedures and provide the rationale behind some plastic surgeons’ recommendations for antibiotic prophylaxis.
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### Management of the Hypertensive Patient

**Determining Risk and Providing Dental Treatment**

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#### Dental Management of the Hypertensive Patient:

**Follow-up and Treatment Recommendations**

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<td>&lt;89</td>
<td>Recheck at recall</td>
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<td>90 to 99</td>
<td>Retake and confirm BP</td>
<td>No restrictions</td>
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<td>100 or higher</td>
<td>Retake and confirm BP. Monitor BP during appointment. Refer to physician for medical evaluation.</td>
<td>Proceed with elective treatment. Medical consult required for elective treatment.</td>
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<td>&gt;120</td>
<td>Retake and confirm BP with an alternative device. Immediate referral to physician or ER.</td>
<td><strong>NO treatment of any type.</strong></td>
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<td>Recheck at recall.</td>
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*http://www.db.uth.tmc.edu/clinic-pat/Documents/bpguidelines-2004.pdf*


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<td>Normal</td>
<td>&gt;= 13 years old</td>
<td>&lt; 120</td>
<td>&lt; 80</td>
<td>Keep up with heart-healthy habits</td>
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<td>Elevated</td>
<td>&gt;= 13 years old</td>
<td>120 to 129</td>
<td>&lt; 80</td>
<td>Likely to develop high blood pressure unless steps are taken to control it</td>
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<td>High Blood Pressure (Hypertension) Stage 1</td>
<td>&gt;= 13 years old</td>
<td>130 to 139</td>
<td>80 to 89</td>
<td>Health care provider may modify pharmacological treatment based on the risk of atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease; positive lifestyle changes are needed</td>
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<td>High Blood Pressure (Hypertension) Stage 2</td>
<td>&gt;= 13 years old</td>
<td>140 or higher</td>
<td>90 and higher</td>
<td>Health care providers are likely to prescribe a combination of blood pressure medications; positive lifestyle changes are needed</td>
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<td>Hypertensive Crisis (Consult a physician immediately)</td>
<td>Higher than 180</td>
<td>Higher than 180</td>
<td>Higher than 120</td>
<td>Requires medical attention; call 911 if there are signs of organ damage</td>
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### TABLE 2: Adolescents: Blood Pressure Ranges / Categories

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<th>Dental Management of the Hypertensive Patient: Reduction of Stress and Anxiety</th>
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<td>• Establish honest, supportive relationship with the Patient</td>
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<td>• Discuss patient’s questions, concerns, fears</td>
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<td>• Schedule morning appointments</td>
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<td>• Avoid long appointments</td>
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<td>• Use premedication as needed – (benzodiazepines)</td>
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<td>• Use nitrous oxide as needed (avoid hypoxia)</td>
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<td>• Provide gradual changes of position to prevent postural hypotension</td>
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<td>• Avoid stimulating gag reflex</td>
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<td>• Dismiss patient if stress appears excessive</td>
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# Appendix III

## Blood Chemistry

### TESTS USED FOR BLOOD EVALUATION

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<th>TEST</th>
<th>NORMAL RANGE*</th>
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<td>Hemoglobin</td>
<td>Males: 14-18g/100ml&lt;br&gt;Females: 12-16g/100ml</td>
<td>Increased in Polycythemia,&lt;br&gt;Dehydration&lt;br&gt;Decreased in Anemias,&lt;br&gt;Hemorrhage,&lt;br&gt;Leukemias</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hematocrit (volume of packed red cells)</td>
<td>Males: 40-54%&lt;br&gt;Females: 37-47%</td>
<td>Increased in Polycythemia,&lt;br&gt;Dehydration&lt;br&gt;Decreased in Anemias,&lt;br&gt;Hemorrhage,&lt;br&gt;Leukemias</td>
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<td>Bleeding Time</td>
<td>Duke: 1-3 ½ minutes&lt;br&gt;Ivy: less than 5 min.&lt;br&gt;Modified Ivy: 2 ½ - 10 minutes (Mielke templates)</td>
<td>Prolonged in Disorders of platelet function,&lt;br&gt;Thrombocytopenia, von Willebrand’s disease,&lt;br&gt;Leukemias, Aspirin and certain other drug use</td>
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<td>Clotting Time</td>
<td>Glass tube: 4-8 min.</td>
<td>Prolonged in Vitamin K deficiency,&lt;br&gt;Severe hemophilia,&lt;br&gt;Anticoagulant therapy,&lt;br&gt;Liver diseases</td>
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<td>Prothrombin Time (P.T.)</td>
<td>11-15 seconds</td>
<td>Prolonged in:&lt;br&gt;Polycythemia vera,&lt;br&gt;Prothrombin deficiency,&lt;br&gt;Anticoagulant therapy,&lt;br&gt;Vitamin K deficiency,&lt;br&gt;Liver diseases,&lt;br&gt;Aspirin use</td>
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<td>Partial Thrombo-plastin Time (P.T.T.)</td>
<td>68-82 seconds</td>
<td>Prolonged in:&lt;br&gt;Hemophilia A and B,&lt;br&gt;von Willebrand’s disease,&lt;br&gt;Anticoagulant therapy</td>
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*The normal range varies with the specificity of the technique used. There is also a range variation, depending on the health facility and the laboratory.

INTERNATIONAL NORMALIZED RATIO (INR)

Management of the Patient Taking Coumadin for Whom Invasive Procedures are Planned.

Patients who are on oral anticoagulant therapy such as one of the coumarin drugs will not have normal clotting times. Prothrombin Time (PT) is a measure of the status of the coagulation mechanism. This laboratory test reflects the ability of blood lost from vessels in the area of injury to coagulate.

Prothrombin Time has shown to be imprecise and variable. There may be little comparability of PT values taken in different laboratories. The consequences can be life-threatening for some patients undergoing complicated surgery.

The International Normalized Ratio was developed to introduce a way of comparing PT’s from one laboratory to another. Each lab establishes a control plasma PT based on set standards. Ask for each labs normal PT range along with the INR. (See tests used for blood evaluation, Appendix III of this manual.)

Management Guidelines

Preoperative

Consultation with physician
- Confirm diagnosis
- Status of medical condition
- Confirm PT or INR
- Discuss type of procedure planned (periodontal scaling)
- Discuss need for dosage reduction

Level of anticoagulation and the need for altering the dose to avoid excessive bleeding
- INR (2.0-3.0) Dosage does not need to be altered
- INR (3.0-3.5) Dosage may need to be altered – must consult physician
- INR (3.5 or >) Delay invasive procedure until dosage decreased

The decision to alter dosage of anticoagulant
- Physician will reduce patient’s dosage
- Affect of reduced dosage will take 3 to 5 days
- Dental appointment needs to be scheduled within 2 days once desired reduction in PT or INR has been confirmed

Postoperative
- Tell patient to call if bleeding occurs during the first 24 to 48 hours
- Use local means to control bleeding if present (pressure packs, Gelfoam/thrombin, Oxycel, Surgicel, Microfibrillar collagen)

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The American Medical Association and the American Dental Association suggest that a patient have a PT no greater than 1.5-1 times normal before a surgical procedure such as periodontal scaling is attempted. If the physician reduces the anticoagulant drug dosage prior to planned surgery, it will take 2-3 days for the clotting mechanism to return to safe levels.

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\[
\text{INR} = \frac{\text{Prothrombin Time Ratio}}{\text{Patient’s PT / control plasma PT}}
\]

A recent study recommends adjustment of anticoagulation to a target INR = 3.0 before patients with the higher risk cardiac valve prosthesis undergo dental procedures involving risk of bleeding. Patients with less risk can be adjusted to INR = 2.0-3.0 for better clotting


A sample report from Maine Medical Center affiliated lab, Northern Diagnostic Laboratories, is shown below.

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International Normalized Ratio (INR) reference ranges:

To standardize the reporting of Prothrombin Times for patients on long-term anticoagulant therapy, the World Health Organization recommends the use of the INR. Ranges recommended by the American College of Chest Physicians and the National Heart, Lung and

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**Safe**  
**Use caution**  
**Not advised at current INR**


Consultation with the physician is recommended for patients who are taking anticoagulant medications, such as Warfarin and Pradaxa®. However, many dental procedures can be done on full doses of anticoagulants. Detailed recommendations exist as to which dental procedures can be done on full dose anticoagulants (teeth cleaning, root canal, one or two teeth extractions), and for which the level of anticoagulant needs to be reduced. See Chart Above. Individualized treatment decisions need to be given. If tissue is highly inflamed, and heavy bleeding is expected, tissue conditioning or “pre-healing” may be recommended before subgingival scaling. Assessing risk to the patient’s forming a blood clot must be given. A medical consultation is recommended if consideration of stopping Pradaxa® if it is an option.

Posted April 14, 2011 Pradaxa – Interruption for Colonoscopy, Dental Work, Surgery, etc.  
http://clotconnect.wordpress.com/2011/04/14/pradaxa-interruption-for-colonoscopy-dental-procedures-surgery-etc/

Regional anesthetic injections and subgingival scaling are a presumed moderate bleeding risk. Peri-procedural recommendations are to continue therapeutic anticoagulation and antiplatelet therapy. There is evidence to support that not altering medications prior to dental hygiene interventions.  
http://www.ada.org/en/member-center/oral-health-topics/anticoagulant-antiplatelet-medications-and-dental-
Normal white blood cell counts are provided on the following table:

**NORMAL WHITE BLOOD CELL COUNT**

(WBC) = 4000 to 10,000/mm³

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**THE ABSOLUTE NEUTROPHIL COUNT =**

(WBC) \times (\% “Segs” + \% “Bands”)

References

Appendix IV

UNE Accident/Incident Report
Dental Hygiene Program

To be completed by staff or faculty member

Date and time of accident or incident:
Name:
Address:
Phone:
Location of incident (be specific):
Type of activity/circumstance:
Equipment involved (if any):
Explain the type of injury (bruise, laceration, etc.) and how it occurred:

Cause of accident/incident
   _____ Failure to comply with Program policy
   _____ Misuse of equipment
   _____ Lack of knowledge or skill
   _____ Personal factors
   _____ Other (Explain):
Type of first aid administered (and by whom):

Was the injured person referred to medical assistance?  Yes  No
If no, was the injured person transported?  Yes  No
Transportation to medical assistance:  not applicable
    _____ Self  _____ Friend  _____ Ambulance  _____ Other

Was there a witness when incident occurred?

Names, addresses and telephone numbers of one or more witnesses:
1.
2.

Injured person’s name:______________

Responder’s name:______________  Signature

Waiver Release

It is the policy of the University to respond to medical emergencies and to render any and all basic assistance. This includes providing first aid and calling for an ambulance (EMT) if a serious situation exists. Should an injured/ill person refuse this assistance the signed denial signifies that the individual waives all rights to recourse against the University, its employees, and volunteers, and accepts the full responsibility for their actions.

I understand the waiver release and voluntarily sign below:
Name: ____________________________
Signature: _________________________
Blood and Body Fluid Exposure Protocol

Step 1: Immediate Treatment

Percutaneous (needlesticks/sharp objects) Injury—where there is the slightest suggestion that the integrity of the skin has been broken by a potentially contaminated item.

1. Wash wound thoroughly with sudsy soap and water; if water is not available, use alcohol.
2. Remove any foreign materials embedded in wound.

Non-intact skin Exposure (wound)

1. Wash skin thoroughly as in #1.
2. Cleanse with disinfectant solution and/or soap and water

There is no evidence that squeezing the wound or applying topical antiseptics further reduces the risk of viral transmission.

Mucous Membrane Exposure

1. Irrigate copiously with tap water, sterile saline or sterile water.

Intact Skin Exposure

Exposure of intact skin to potentially contaminated material is not considered an exposure and not in need of medical evaluation. Thoroughly clean and wash exposed intact skin.

The above guidelines apply to these body fluids:

Blood, semen vaginal secretions, body tissues, cerebrospinal, synovial, pleural, peritoneal, pericardial, and amniotic fluids.

- Saliva (only in dental settings, where saliva is likely to be contaminated with blood.) Otherwise, exposure to saliva not a risk of viral transmission.
- When it is difficult to identify the specific body fluid or when body fluids are visibly contaminated with blood, treat as risk of viral transmission.

The guidelines do not apply to the following:

Feces, nasal secretions, sputum, sweat, tears, urine, vomitus.
Step 2: Exposure Protocol


2. Refer Student to the Student Health Center ASAP for pretest counseling, consultation and appropriate lab testing. (Hepatitis B surface AB, Hepatitis C surface AB, HIV AB.)

3. Student Health Center Hours:

   During the School Year- Mon.-Thurs., 8-4:30 Fri. 8-4 pm. Closed on weekends.

4. If source is known HIV positive, refer student to Brighton First Care or Maine Medical Center for evaluation, post exposure prophylaxis (within 24 hours), and lab testing.

5. Refer source (patient), Faculty or Staff to Brighton Quick Care or their Primary Care Physician for evaluation and testing. Laboratory requisition forms will be kept in both the Dental Hygiene and Nursing Program Administrative Offices. Please inform the Student Health Center when supply of requisitions are running low.

Step 3: Post test Counseling and Treatment

1. 3 day follow up to discuss lab results and to counsel regarding treatment plan.

2. Retest for Hep. C-AB, HIV at 6 weeks post exposure

3. Retest for HIV at 12 week post exposure

4. Retest for Hep. C-AB, HIV, ALT at 6 months postexposure

5. Repeat HIV at 12 months only at health care provider’s discretion of exposure to high-risk source.

1. CDC. Updated U.S. Public Guidelines for the management of occupational exposures to HBV, HCV, and HIV and recommendations for postexposure prophylaxis. MMWR 2001; 50,(No. RR-11.).

2. Concentra. Most of the Information is provided verbatim free from Centers for Disease Control Review of the full text of referenced statutes and regulations may be necessary. KR 6/09.


EXPOSURE TO BLOOD
Percutaneous Accident*
Flow Chart Protocol for HCW**

1. Determine if Percutaneous Exposure has Occurred
   A torn glove or a surface scratch is not an exposure

2. Wash Site with Soap and Water

3. Alert Faculty and Source

4. Complete Incident Report
   A. With faculty assistance, complete Incident Report found in Front Desk area.
   B. If no exposure, document that fact as well.

5. Pretest Counseling for HCW and Source (If Known)
   A. Obtain forms and lab referral forms from Front Desk
   B. Under supervision of faculty, complete appropriate forms
      • Consent Form / Pre-Test Counseling

6. Referral of HCW and Source (If Known) for Testing
   A. HCW and/or Source may see own private physician or access testing at Brighton Campus, MMC. This is coordinated by front desk personnel.
   B. Student may see own private physician or access Student Health Center. If the Health Center is closed, testing may be done at Brighton Campus, MMC. This is coordinated by front desk personnel.
   C. If Source is HIV infected, refer HCW for Post Exposure Prophylaxis Consultation within 24 hours

7. Post Test Counseling
   A. With Program Director or designee

8. Retest as Determined to Be Appropriate
   A. Consultation with physician
   B. 6 weeks, 3 months, 6 months, 12 months

* Or other type of exposure to blood or OPIM
** HCW Health Care Worker – Student, Faculty and Staff

1 CDC. Updated U.S. Public Health Service guidelines for the management of occupational exposures to HBV, HCV, and HIV and recommendations for postexposure prophylaxis. MMWR 2001;50(No.RR-11).
University of New England - Dental Hygiene Program

D.O.B __________________

Code: ___________________

Exposure Consent Form

According to Maine Law (Title 5 MRSA Sections 19201-19208), you cannot be tested for HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) antibodies unless you have signed a consent form and “know that the test is being performed”, “the nature of the test”, “the persons to whom the results of the test may be disclosed”, “the purpose for which the test results may be used”, and “any reasonably foreseeable risks and benefits resulting from the test”. The only people who are exempt from signing a consent form are those people who are being tested at an anonymous test site and certain others specified by law.

This test and a test for Hepatitis B and C are being performed because an accidental exposure has occurred during the provision of dental hygiene care. The test is being performed to establish a baseline record of HIV, HBV and HCV status. These results will be reported to the exposed person(s) for appropriate follow-up testing and care.

A positive HIV test indicates that you are infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, and that you can pass the virus to other people. A positive HBV and/or HCV test indicates that you are carrying the Hepatitis virus, and can pass the virus to others.

Neither the fact that you had these tests nor the result of your tests will become part of your medical record, unless you specifically request it in writing. The result of your test will be released to the Director of the Dental Hygiene Program or designee. However, all confidentiality provisions of Maine Law apply to this test result and it will not be further disclosed without your written permission.

Risks of being tested include the possible discrimination that may result from others knowledge of your test; emotional distress, and possible bruising at the site of the needle puncture. Benefits of being tested include informing the exposed person and/or yourself of the HIV/HBV/HCV infection risk so that early medical care may be accessed and risk-reducing behaviors may be practiced.

The above information has been orally summarized to me and I understand it. Further information will be discussed during the pre-test counseling session.

† I hereby give my consent to the University of New England to receive the results of a test for the presence of HIV/HBV/HVC antibody or antigen. This consent is given without express or implied coercion.

Name (print) __________________ Signature __________________ Date __________________

† I hereby refuse to give my consent to be tested for the presence of HIV/HBV/HCV antibody or antigen.

Name (print) __________________ Signature __________________ Date __________________

Faculty Name __________________ Signature __________________ Date __________________

DH/Forms/HIV-ConsentForm.doc
UNE Dental Hygiene Program - Pre-Test Counseling Procedure - HIV

The test is being performed to determine the presence or absence of HIV-1 antibodies and is not being done for purposes of blood donation.

The following interpretive information has been explained to me:

A **Negative** result means that the antibody to HIV-1 was not detected in the specimen submitted to the laboratory. This usually means that the individual has not been exposed to HIV-1. Since the course of antibody production is variable and may not yet have begun, a negative test result does not exclude the possibility of exposure to or infection with HIV-1. Negative test results may also occur in individuals with AIDS related symptoms. A negative antibody test can not be used to exclude the diagnosis.

A **Positive** result means that the antibody to HIV-1 is present in the specimen submitted. This usually means that the individual has been infected with HIV-1. The implications of a positive test result in an asymptomatic individual are not known. It is not possible to identify those asymptomatic persons with the antibody to HIV-1 who will eventually develop AIDS. The presence of the antibody to HIV-1 is not diagnostic of AIDS or AIDS Related Complex. Since HIV-1 can exist in the presence of specific antibodies, all individuals with positive antibody test results must be considered potentially infectious. Individuals with HIV-1 antibodies should be permanently deferred from donating blood for transfusion.

A **Positive** result with a **Negative** confirmatory test means that the specimen has been tested for the antibody to HIV-1 and was found to be positive by a sensitive EIA screening procedure. A specific confirmatory test was unable to confirm this result. Therefore, the specificity of the screening test is in question, and it is not possible to determine whether the individual has the antibodies to HIV-1 at this time. It is highly recommended that retesting be done at 6 weeks, 3 and 6 months.

I understand the following testing sequence:

1. All specimens will be screened by a federally licensed EIA procedure for the detection of antibodies to HIV-1.
2. Specimens found to be negative will be reported as negative for antibody to HIV-1.
3. Specimens found to be positive will be repeated in the EIA procedure.
4. Specimens which repeat positive by EIA will be tested by a confirmatory procedure (Western Blot).
5. Results of the EIA and confirmatory procedures will be reported.

**PRECAUTIONS:**

1. Post Exposure Prophylaxis
2. Behavioral Measures (6-12 weeks)
   a. sexual abstinence
   b. use of condoms
   c. avoid pregnancy
   d. consult physician regarding breast-feeding
   e. avoid blood, plasma, organ, tissue, and semen donation
3. Seek a medical evaluation if you exhibit the following: acute illness, fever, rash, myalgia, fatigue, malaise, and/or lymphadenopathy.

   This information has been reviewed with me.
   (initial)

   I have refused the opportunity to have this information reviewed with me.
   (initial)

Name: __________________________       Code: ________________

Faculty Signature: __________________   Date: ____________
In accordance with Maine Law (SMRSA Sections 19201-19208) post test counseling must occur following an HIV test consented to because of an accidental exposure to blood in a medical/dental setting.

The information and counseling is being given to you by the Dental Hygiene Program Director/designee and is held in strict confidence, separate from any medical or student record that you may have at the University of New England.

I have received and understand post test counseling during which the following topics were discussed:

1. Test results and their reliability and significance.

A Negative result means that the antibody to HIV-1 was not detected in the specimen submitted to the laboratory. This usually means that the individual has not been exposed to HIV-1. Since the course of antibody production is variable and may not yet have begun, a negative test result does not exclude the possibility of exposure to or infection with HIV-1. Negative test results may also occur in individuals with AIDS related symptoms. A negative antibody test cannot be used to exclude the diagnosis.

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E. Results of the EIA and confirmatory procedures are reported.

2 Information of risk reduction and prevention.

A. Behavioral Measures (6-12 weeks)
   1. sexual abstinence
   2. use of condoms
   3. avoid pregnancy
   4. consult physician regarding breast-feeding
   5. avoid blood, plasma, organ, tissue, and semen donation
   6. Seek a medical evaluation if you exhibit the following: acute illness, fever, rash, myalgia, fatigue, malaise, and/or lymphadenopathy.

3 Referrals for medical care and other support services.

A copy of the counseling discussion is provided for your information. It is your responsibility to restrict or allow access to the information held therein at your discretion.

The University of New England will not release this information without your express written consent.

Date:______________ Name:____________________

Date:______________ Post-Test Counselor:______________

Declined face-to-face counseling

______ This information has been reviewed with me.
(initial)

______ I have refused the opportunity to have this information reviewed with me.
(initial)

Name:____________________ Code:______________

Faculty Signature:____________________ Date:______________
A dental hygiene appointment consists of the following services which are available to patients. They are provided by student hygienists under the supervision of a clinical dentist and faculty as needed. Our philosophy is one of the “total patient care” whereby patients are offered all services deemed appropriate by the student and / or faculty for optimal oral health. They include:

- A complete Medical / Dental History
- Assessment of factors in the health history that may require medical attention
- Inspection of the extra and intraoral aspects of the oral cavity
- Evaluation of periodontal status
- Hard tissue examination
- Radiographs – full mouth series, bitewing and extra-oral
- Treatment and appointment plan
- Patient education / motivation
- Removal of hard and soft deposits from the teeth
- Removal of stain / polishing
- Nutritional counseling
- Sealants
- Fluoride application and recommendations
- Polish of restorations
- Impression / study model fabrication
- Pulpal vitality testing

The services you require will be provided to you in a professional manner using sterilized or disposable instruments and protective barriers for your health and safety.
PATIENT APPOINTMENT

The University of New England Dental Hygiene Program provides quality dental hygiene care to many individuals. The clinic provides dental hygiene treatment for you in cooperation with your primary care dentist. All patients are encouraged to see their own primary care dentist at least once a year.

Although the University of New England Dental Hygiene Clinic strives to accommodate all patients, those with the greatest oral health needs are given priority in our scheduling. Most patients are generally seen for dental hygiene therapy only once a year.

As a teaching institution, the University of New England Dental Hygiene Program is pleased to have the opportunity to serve the needs of its patients and students alike.

We hope you will recommend the clinic to others, especially those who have deferred dental visits and are now seeking a clinic. We also appreciate your understanding of the learning requirements of students and your willingness to commit the necessary time to your appointment.

Thank you!
Informed Consent & Clinic Registration Form

The University of New England Dental Hygiene Clinic is part of an institution committed to student learning and the advancement of knowledge through research. Our primary goal is quality education of dental hygiene students and excellence in patient services.

You should understand the following:

1. Students are required to obtain a thorough medical and dental history of each person prior to initiating any treatment. The goal of this procedure is to safely provide the highest quality of care. Some medical conditions may require a consultation between the student dental hygienist, a clinical faculty member, and the patient’s physician. This consultation is necessary to ensure that the appropriate dental care may be planned. Although this may require delaying treatment until such treatment plans are established, it should be understood that no patient will be denied care unless such care is considered inappropriate by the patient’s physician. All information revealed in the medical and dental history will be kept strictly confidential.

2. Treatment in our clinic proceeds more slowly than in a private office since the services are rendered by students, and are carefully checked by faculty members (licensed dental hygienist or dentist). Although it is the goal to complete all procedures for each patient, completion of all procedures cannot be guaranteed in any specified period of time.

3. Patients will be referred to a private dentist or dental clinic to receive any needed dental care beyond the limits of this institution.

4. **Failure to keep appointments without 24 hours notice or two cancellations, or two no-shows, may lead to your dismissal as a clinic patient.**

5. Diagnostic aids such as x-ray, photographs, plaster models, etc., are the property of the UNE Dental Hygiene Clinic. However, upon your written and/or verbal request, or that of your dentist, a duplicate set of x-rays may be sent with your signed authorization. Records are the property of the University and are not released, but all recommendations and observations are shared with you and your primary care dentist or a dental specialist by Patient Referral Form.

6. An important part of every dental hygiene exam is to verify that all dental restorations are secure. A cracked restoration, a loosely bonded plastic restoration, or a loose fixed bridgework can lead to tooth decay. All dental hygienists are trained to test each restoration with an instrument and report any defective restorations to the patient. Patients must realize that no dental hygienist using a hygiene instrument is strong enough to dislodge a satisfactory restoration. If any defective restorations are discovered the patient will be referred immediately to their dentist for the necessary work.

7. **Anonymous** data gathered from records may be used for educational and research purposes. If any research project conducted by this University intends to use patient data that could be tracked to a particular patient an additional informed consent document must be signed by each patient involved. In addition, before any research project of any design can be initiated the entire project must receive written approval by the University of New England, Institutional Review Board. This approval shall be available for inspection by any participating patient.

8. **You** are responsible for payment of all services rendered. Prices are subject to change without notice.

9. All cell phone use is prohibited in the clinic, this includes photography and social media usage. This policy is to protect the privacy of all patients.
Patient’s Rights and Responsibilities

Dental hygiene care in this institution is patient-centered and therefore focuses on the well-being of our patients. This statement is included to communicate and advocate the expressed wants and needs of our patients and to help the provider-patient relationship to realize excellence in care.

Patients can expect:

1. To be treated with respect, consideration, confidentiality and to uphold privacy.
2. A thorough assessment of their current needs, by student hygienists.
3. To be informed of appointment and fee schedules in advance.
4. To receive an explanation of recommended treatment, treatment alternatives, the option to refuse treatment, the risk of no treatment, and expected outcomes of various treatments, to make an informed consent before any treatment is begun.
5. To receive treatment that meets the standard of care in the profession of dental hygiene.
6. To receive appropriate and timely referrals for other needed services.
7. Continuity and completeness of care.

Patients are expected to:

1. To cooperate as partners in their care by asking for information and clarification, and to participate in goal setting and planning of treatment.
2. Comply with recommended or agreed upon therapies or actions of care.
3. Accommodate student learning needs by returning for further appointments, if required.
4. Attempt to keep scheduled appointments, so that student learning and patient care may proceed.
5. Recognize that care received by dental hygiene students under the supervision of qualified faculty is dental hygiene care. Any restorative or emergency dental care will require the expertise of a licensed dentist in your community.

Having read the above, I verify that I understand the information contained there-in, and I grant the authority to the UNE –College of Health Professions, Dental Hygiene Clinic to perform treatment procedures deemed necessary for me.

Patient’s Full Name (Print) / Patient’s Signature or Responsible Adult Date

I also agree to make payment for services in accordance with my treatment.

If Responsible Adult, what is your name & relationship to dependent?

Address
Dental local anesthesia is considered an extremely safe procedure. However, in rare cases certain complications can occur. These complications may include: needle breakage, pain on injection, permanent numbness or paresthesia, pain or difficulty opening the mouth, bruising or swelling of injection site, infection, lip chewing leading to trauma, facial nerve paralysis, post anesthetic ulcers in the mouth, overdose reaction, allergy, and unusual reactions (idiosyncratic).

I fully understand the risks involved in receiving local anesthesia at the University of New England Dental Hygiene Clinic. They have been described to me in a satisfactory manner and I have had the opportunity to ask questions and receive informational answers. I understand the nature and purpose of the procedure and the risks involved in receiving and in refusing local anesthesia. I have been given no guarantee by the dental hygiene treatment team as to the results that may be obtained from the injection.

I understand that in the event complications arise resulting from the local anesthesia, financial compensation will not be provided by the University of New England. Furthermore, it is my responsibility to seek medical attention as needed beyond the University of New England Dental Hygiene Clinic. I agree to report immediately any evidence of pain, swelling or inflammation in the area receiving local anesthesia to the University of New England Dental Hygiene Clinic and to arrange for an oral inspection at that site if necessary.

In addition to consenting to receive local anesthesia I understand that I am free to withdraw my consent for treatment at any time with written notice.

Date: ____________________________
Patient / Guardian

Time: ____________________________
Dental Hygiene Treatment Team

Date: ____________________________
Dentist

Date: ____________________________
Additional Faculty/ Student

Additional Signature(s)

Additional Signature(s)
Radiographic / Fluoride Treatment Recommendations - 2014

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Continue Caries Exam

Caries Exam Date

7/10/2018 12:

Prepared By

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Responsible Clinician
Please select the dentist responsible for this patient's care from the list

1 or more teeth have an exposed root

☐ Yes
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Please answer the following questions (exclude third molars)

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  - 0 # of teeth

- How many natural teeth have primary caries or an incipient caries lesion?
  - 0 (None)

Check all that apply

**Clinical Conditions**

- Oral hygiene improvement is needed
- Dry mouth or inadequate saliva flow

**Treatment History and Considerations**

- Dental care frequency is NOT as regular as advised
- Development problems or special health care needs
- Teeth have been extracted due to caries in last 36 months
- Fluoride varnish applied in last 6 months
- Has orthodontic appliance, space maintainer, or obturator

**Questions the patient can answer**

- Snacks or beverages containing sugar are consumed between meals 4 or more times per day
- Patient drinks fluoridated water
Nonprescription or prescription fluoride products other than water are used

Chlorhexidine used for at least 1 week per month for last 6 months

Xylitol products have been used 4 times daily for last 6 months

Calcium & phosphate toothpaste have been used during last 6 months

Recreational drug/alcohol use

Has had a major change in health (heart attack, stroke, etc.) during the past 12 months

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Perio Exam

Perio Exam Date
7/10/2018 12:

Prepared By
maube

Responsible Clinician
Please select the dentist responsible for this patient's care from the list

Smoking
Never Smoked

Smoke(d)
- less than 10 cigs/day
- 10 or more cigs/day

Smoke(d)
- less than 10 years
- 10 or more years

Quit
- less than 10 years ago
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Check all that apply

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Deepest Pocket Per Sextant from the Gingival Margin to the Base of the Sulcus

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Create Oral Cancer Exam

Oral Cancer Exam Date
7/10/2018 12:

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Responsible Clinician
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- **Never Smoked**
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Create Comprehensive Exam

Exam Date
7/10/2018 12:

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**PATIENT REFERRAL**

We appreciate your professional evaluation and detailed diagnosis.

was seen by a Westbrook College Campus Dental Hygiene Student on

Patient’s Name

Today’s Date

The following services were provided:

- Medical History / Blood Pressure
- Intra/Extra Oral Inspection
- Restorative Evaluation
- Periodontal Assessment
- Oral Hygiene Instruction
- Recall Scaling
- Periodontal Scaling / Root Planing
- Radiographs - Please provide most recent set of x-rays and date taken:
- Topical Fluoride Treatment
- Sealants
- Dietary Counseling
- Amalgam Polishing
- Impression / Study Models
- Other (Specify)

We recommend that all patients see their dentist for regular dental examinations. We have advised this individual to contact your office for an appointment. Please conduct a full dental assessment of the oral cavity with special attention to the following conditions observed during the dental hygiene appointment:

Student’s Name:

Instructor’s Signature:

Patient’s Signature:
Patient contact info

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Patient Clinical Notes
Periodontal Chart
UNE DENTAL HYGIENE CLINIC
Infection Control Manager (ICM1) – DUTIES & PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
STERILIZATION MANAGER Grade
(Grade Based on PAC Rubric 3, 2 or 1)
Student: ________________________ Date: ________________________

1. Arrive dressed in clinical attire, prepared to treat patient, if necessary. The ICM will administer direct patient care and documentation upon need.

2. Arrive 30 minutes prior to patient seating and meet in the ICM 1 room to go over information for the day.

3. Run the Miele from the previous clinic session. See posted detailed instructions.

4. Fill ultrasonic (Morning clinic only)

5. Empty autoclaves, place contents in appropriate pass-through. Check each item for proper sterilization markers.

6. At the end of each Miele cycle, seal in self-sealing bags, cubby number, date, time, autoclave number and place in the autoclave. Add an INTERGRATOR strip in the autoclave for each autoclave cycle (in a small self-sealing bag on the top shelf).

7. Make a list of needed supplies and give to clinical coordinator (Infection Control Manager-Staff).

8. Prepare ample cleansing agent for evacuation system and dispense to students at the end of the Clinic session as instruments are brought into the ICM 1 Room.

9. Maintain a clean and neat distribution center.

10. All instrument cassettes will be given to the ICM1 and stored in cabinet above Miele until instruments can be placed in the Miele or Ultrasonic (Before placing instruments in the Miele, open cassette to be sure there is no indicator slip or other debris inside).

11. At the end of each clinic session, place all cassettes in Miele and run the RINSE cycle. All other clinic supplies need to be prepared to be autoclaved (SEE POSTED LIST FOR WHAT CAN NOT BE PLACED IN THE MIELE).

12. Prepare all hand pieces for the autoclave (see posted instructions).

13. Empty ultrasonic (only after the last clinic session of the day).
14. Wipe down countertop with Advantaclear Wipes

15. Adhere to infection control protocol throughout entire clinic session

16. Check with clinical coordinator prior to leaving

____________________  
Clinical Coordinator
UNE DENTAL HYGIENE CLINIC

INFECTION CONTROL MANAGER 2/RADIOGRAPHER (ICM2/R) – DUTIES & PERFORMANCE EVALUATION Grade

(Grade Based on PAC Rubric 3,2,1)

Student: __________________________ Date: ______________

1. Arrive 30 minutes prior to patient seating and meet in the ICM 1 room to go over information for the day ______

2. Arrive dressed in clinical attire, prepared to treat patient, if necessary. The ICM will administer direct patient care and documentation upon need______

3. Check and replenish supplies on rolling carts ______

4. Distribute instrument cassettes, hand pieces and barriers to the students providing care ______

5. Prepare x-ray operatories for use
   a. wipe down chairs with disinfectant
   b. cover headrests with headrest covers
   c. turn on x-ray machines and computers (barrier control panels, P.I.D., Computer stand and mouse)
   d. monitor use of operatories
   e. clean after each use (disinfect, barrier) ______

6. Prepare computers and digital sensors ______

7. Review with a clinical instructor the proper way of preparing the Panorex machine ______

8. Report any equipment malfunction to Infection Control Manager immediately ______
9. Store any sterile items for the PASS THROUGH, where the items belong. Check for indication of change in heat indicator strip.

10. Check lab coat closet and locker rooms and pick up hangers

11. Make a list of items in the cabinets that are low. Give to Infection Control Manager

12. Adhere to infection control protocol throughout entire clinic

13. Shut down x-ray operatories:
   a. remove headrest covers and plastic wrap
   b. disinfect unwrapped surfaces
   c. turn off x-ray machines
   d. turn off computers
   e. hang digital sensors on holders on wall

14. At the end of the day, empty the PASS THROUGH and put items away (ICM 1 will be working with ICM 2 with this)

15. Check with supervising instructor prior to leaving the clinic

________________________
Clinical Coordinator
**ICM 3 student will be sitting at the desk by the door taking calls from scheduled patients, and taking temperatures***

1. Arrive dressed in clinical attire, prepared to treat patient, if necessary. The ICM will administer direct patient care and documentation upon need. 

2. Arrive 30 minutes prior to patient seating and meet in the ICM 1 room to go over information for the day 

3. Take phone calls from the scheduled patients- asking the COVID questionnaire, and taking the patient’s temperatures 

4. Help Infection Control Manager make bags of gloves and masks for the next clinic session 

5. At the end of clinic go get the Lab coats from the ICM 1 room and take into the basement-put the bag by the storage room door 

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Clinical Coordinator

DH/Forms/Clinic/ICM2/R2016: Updated 2020 by Abby Dodge
D1110 - Prophy Code - Preventive procedure

- Normal tissue tone—no signs of disease activity present
- No clinical attachment loss
- All probing depths are less than 4mm

D4346 - Gingivitis Code - Therapeutic procedure

- Use with gingival inflammation- redness, edema, glazing, bleeding on probing
- Gingival pockets, with no bone loss (absence of periodontitis)
- No clinical attachment loss—probing depths will be variable due to gingival edema
- Can go back to the prophy code if resolution occurs at the recall visit

D4355 - Debridement Code

- Used when probing and exploring cannot be performed effectively to determine a dental hygiene diagnosis due to excessive deposits of plaque and calculus
- Does not take the place of D1110, D4346
- Can be used if students do not finish a patient

D4341 - Scaling and Root Planing 4 plus teeth per quad—Therapeutic procedure

- This is used for 4 or more teeth of periodontitis with pockets with 1+ mm of attachment loss
- If infection resolves, patient would receive Perio Maintenance at recall
- Arestin can be used if indicated, after Scaling and Root Planing (SRP)
- All non periodontally involved teeth will be completed at no additional charge

D4342 - Scaling and Root Planing 1-3 teeth per quad —Therapeutic procedure

- This is used for 1-3 teeth of periodontitis with 1+ mm of attachment loss
- If infection resolves, patient would receive Perio Maintenance at recall
- Arestin can be used if indicated, after Scaling and Root Planing (SRP)
- All non periodontally involved teeth will be completed at no additional charge

D4910 - Perio Maintenance—Preventive procedure

- For maintenance of patients who have received D4341 or D4342
- These patients have attachment loss and therefore cannot return to the Prophy Code D1110 or Gingivitis Code D4346
- At recall appointments, patients presenting with active infection, should be retreated with D4345, D4341, or D4342

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Dental Hygiene Clinic
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Affordable Dental Hygiene Care
Appointments: 207-221-4900 September thru April

We Accept Cash, Check or Credit Card (not American Express)
Payment is expected upon completion of your appointment

Approximate Costs:

- Child Prophy (Ages 0 – 12) $16
- Adult Prophy (Ages 13 – 61) $36
- Senior Prophy (Ages 62 & over) $25
- Fluoride $5

Additional Services (May include additional $10 Fee without a cleaning):

- New Patient Screening Assessment $13
- Full-Mouth Series X-Ray (FMX) $35
- Panorex X-Ray $35
- Bitewing X-Ray (4 film) $8
- Bitewing X-Ray (2 film) $5
- Sealants (per tooth) $8
- Quadrant Scaling (per quadrant) $36 Adult / $25 Senior Cit.
  - All non-periodontally involved teeth will be completed at no additional charge
- Periodontal Maintenance $36 Adult / $25 Senior Cit.
  - 3-month recall after quad scaling has been done
- Sending out X-rays $5
- Edentulous Patient (Dentures) $10 (exam/ultrasonic denture clean)
- Periodontal Debridebment $10

We do not offer services for: Bleaching Trays, Night Mouthguards, Extractions, Restorations or Fillings, Root Canals, Denture Repair, or Emergency Services.

Updated Fall 2020
INDIVIDUAL BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST VALUED RELATED TO CONTROL OF DIABETES

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## Grade Entry

### Print Report

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Treatment Phase: Recare appointment
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Drug Screening Questionnaire (DAST)

Using drugs can affect your health and some medications you may take. Please help us provide you with the best medical care by answering the questions below.

Which recreational drugs have you used in the past year? (Check all that apply)

- Methamphetamines (speed, crystal)
- Cannabis (marijuana, pot)
- Inhalants (paint thinner, aerosol, glue)
- Tranquilizers (valium)
- Cocaine
- Narcotics (heroin, oxycodone, methadone, etc.)
- Hallucinogens (LSD, mushrooms)
- Other: Click or tap here to enter text.

How often have you used these drugs?  
- Monthly or less
- Weekly
- Daily or almost daily

Do you inject drugs?  
- Yes
- No

Have you ever been in treatment for a drug problem?  
- Yes
- No

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<td>2. Do you abuse (use) more than one drug at a time?</td>
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<td>4. Have you ever had blackouts or flashbacks as a result of drug use?</td>
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<td>5. Do you ever feel bad or guilty about your drug use?</td>
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<td>8. Have you engaged in illegal activities in order to obtain drugs?</td>
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(For the Provider)

Scoring and interpreting the DAST:

1. “Yes” responses are one point, “No” responses are zero points. All response scores are added for a total score.

2. The total score correlates with a zone of use, which can be circled on the bottom right corner.

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<td>Reinforce positive choices and educate about risks of drug use</td>
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<td>“Someone using drugs at this level may develop health problems or existing problems may worsen.”</td>
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<td>III – Harmful</td>
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<td>IV – Severe</td>
<td>“Someone using drugs at this level could benefit from more assessment and assistance.”</td>
<td>Brief Intervention to accept referral to specialty treatment for a full assessment</td>
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Positive Health Message: Reinforce positive choices and educate about risks of drug use

Brief Intervention to Reduce Use or Abstain from Using: Patient-centered discussion that employs Motivational Interviewing concepts to raise an individual’s awareness of his/her drug use and enhance his/her motivation towards behavioral change. Brief interventions are 5-15 minutes, and should occur in the same session as the initial screening. The recommended behavior change is to decrease or abstain from use.

Brief intervention to Reduce or Abstain (Brief Treatment if available) & Follow-up: Patients with numerous or serious negative consequences from their drug use, or patients who likely have a substance use disorder who cannot or are not willing to obtain specialized treatment, should receive more numerous and intensive interventions with follow up. The recommended behavior change is to abstain from use. Brief treatment is 1 to 5 sessions, each 15-60 minutes. Refer for brief treatment if available. If brief treatment is not available, secure follow-up in 2-4 weeks.

Brief Intervention to Accept Referral: The focus of the brief intervention is to enhance motivation for the patient to accept a referral to specialty treatment. If accepted, the provider should use a proactive process to facilitate access to specialty substance use disorder treatment for diagnostic assessment and, if warranted, treatment. The recommended behavior change is to abstain from use and accept the referral. More resources: www.sbortoregon.org

Introduction (Please read to patient)

Hi, I’m __________, nice to meet you. If it’s okay with you, I’d like to ask you a few questions that will help me give you better medical care. The questions relate to your experience with alcohol, cigarettes, and other drugs. Some of the substances we’ll talk about are prescribed by a doctor (like pain medications). But I will only record those if you have taken them for reasons or in doses other than prescribed. I’ll also ask you about illicit or illegal drug use—but only to better diagnose and treat you.

Instructions: For each substance, mark in the appropriate column. For example, if the patient has used cocaine monthly in the past year, put a mark in the “Monthly” column in the “illegal drug” row.

NIDA Quick Screen Question:

In the past year, how often have you used the following?

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- If the patient says “NO” for all drugs in the Quick Screen, reinforce abstinence. Screening is complete.
- If the patient says “Yes” to one or more days of heavy drinking, patient is an at-risk drinker. Please see NIAAA website “How to Help Patients Who Drink Too Much: A Clinical Approach” http://pubs.niaaa.nih.gov/publications/Practitioner/CliniciansGuide2005/clinicians_guide.htm, for information to Assess, Advise, Assist, and Arrange help for at risk drinkers or patients with alcohol use disorders
- If patient says “Yes” to use of tobacco: Any current tobacco use places a patient at risk. Advise all tobacco users to quit. For more information on smoking cessation, please see “Helping Smokers Quit: A Guide for Clinicians” http://www.ahrq.gov/clinic/tobacco/clinhlpmsksqt.htm
- If the patient says “Yes” to use of illegal drugs or prescription drugs for non-medical reasons, proceed to Question 1 of the NIDA-Modified ASSIST.

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1 This guide is designed to assist clinicians serving adult patients in screening for drug use. The NIDA Quick Screen was adapted from the single-question screen for drug use in primary care by Saitz et al. (available at http://archinte.ama-assn.org/cgi/reprint/170/13/1155) and the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism’s screening question on heavy drinking days (available at http://pubs.niaaa.nih.gov/publications/Practitioner/CliniciansGuide2005/clinicians_guide.htm). The NIDA-modified ASSIST was adapted from the World Health Organization (WHO) Alcohol, Smoking and Substance Involvement Screening Test (ASSIST), Version 3.0, developed and published by WHO (available at http://www.who.int/substance_abuse/activities/assist_v3_english.pdf).
**Questions 1-8 of the NIDA-Modified ASSIST V2.0**

*Instructions:* Patients may fill in the following form themselves but screening personnel should offer to read the questions aloud in a private setting and complete the form for the patient. To preserve confidentiality, a protective sheet should be placed on top of the questionnaire so it will not be seen by other patients after it is completed but before it is filed in the medical record.

**Question 1 of 8, NIDA-Modified ASSIST**

In your **LIFETIME**, which of the following substances have you ever used?

*Note for Physicians: For prescription medications, please report nonmedical use only.*

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- Given the patient’s response to the Quick Screen, the patient *should not indicate “NO”* for all drugs in Question 1. If they do, remind them that their answers to the Quick Screen indicated they used an illegal or prescription drug for nonmedical reasons within the past year and then **repeat Question 1**. If the patient indicates that the drug used is not listed, please mark ‘Yes’ next to ‘Other’ and continue to **Question 2** of the NIDA-Modified ASSIST.

- If the patient says “Yes” to any of the drugs, proceed to **Question 2** of the NIDA-Modified ASSIST.
### Question 2 of 8, NIDA-Modified ASSIST

**2. In the past three months, how often have you used the substances you mentioned (first drug, second drug, etc)?**

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- For patients who report “Never” having used any drug in the past 3 months: **Go to Questions 6-8.**
- For any recent illicit or nonmedical prescription drug use, go to **Question 3.**

### Question 3 of 8, NIDA-Modified ASSIST

**3. In the past 3 months, how often have you had a strong desire or urge to use (first drug, second drug, etc)?**

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**Instructions:** Ask Questions 6 & 7 for all substances **ever used** (i.e., those endorsed in the Question 1).
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**Instructions**: Ask Question 8 if the patient endorses any drug that might be injected, including those that might be listed in the other category (e.g., steroids). Circle appropriate response.

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- Recommend to patients reporting any prior or current intravenous drug use that they get tested for HIV and Hepatitis B/C.
- If patient reports using a drug by injection in the past three months, ask about their pattern of injecting during this period to determine their risk levels and the best course of intervention.
  - If patient responds that they inject once weekly or less OR fewer than 3 days in a row, provide a brief intervention including a discussions of the risks associated with injecting.
  - If patient responds that they inject more than once per week OR 3 or more days in a row, refer for further assessment.

**Note**: Recommend to patients reporting any current use of alcohol or illicit drugs that they get tested for HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases.
Tally Sheet for scoring the full NIDA-Modified ASSIST:

**Instructions:** For each substance (labeled a–j), add up the scores received for questions 2-7 above. This is the Substance Involvement (SI) score. Do not include the results from either the Q1 or Q8 (above) in your SI scores.

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To determine patient’s risk level based on his or her SI score, see the table below:

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## UNE Dental Hygiene - COVID-19 Screening

**Read each question carefully to patient**

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Any "yes" answers must be dismissed.
All "No" answers continue with treatment.

If patient has any of the above symptoms in the last 48 hours, DO NOT continue with treatment.
Kindly escort patient to entrance and have them call the front desk to reschedule appointment.
Fully vaccinated individuals also should not access campus if they are currently experiencing any of the above symptoms.