Dental Assistant Training Program

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Program Overview
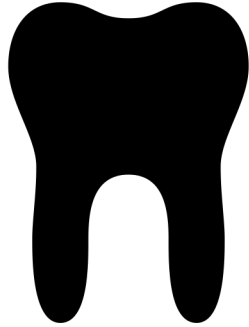
On-The-Job Training

- Customized by employer
- No wage requirements
- No prior experience/minimum qualifications
- Each employer recruits/hires their own students
- No required coach to student ratio, suggested 1:1

Curriculum

- Instructor led
- Virtual on Canvas
- Can be completed anytime/anywhere
- Grading requirements
- Students receive Certificate of Completion
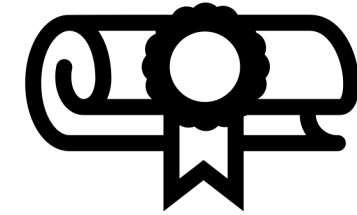
Skill Tracking

- Skill Logs provided, but optional
- Any dental staff can sign off on skill practices
- Any completed Skill Logs will be displayed on the Certificate of Completion
- Progress Reports sent once a month to clinical team

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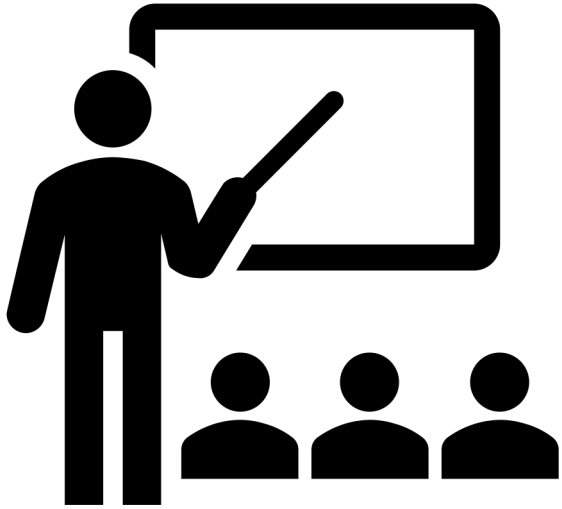
- Virtual, asynchronous curriculum on Canvas

- 39 Modules, approximately 10 hours/week
  - Textbook reading, skill videos, short answer assessment, & module quiz
  - 5 Cumulative Quizzes, Mid Term, & Final Exam, plus quarterly extra credit
- 70% Minimum Passing Grade
  - 10% Late penalties per day

Curriculum Topics

- The Dental Assisting Profession
- Disease Transmission and Infection Prevention
- Principles and Techniques of Disinfection
- Instrument Processing and Sterilization
- Basic Chairside Assisting
- Tooth Anatomy, Terminology, and Charting
- Introduction to Radiography
- Intraoral Imaging
- Extraoral Imaging
- The Patient Record and Vital Signs
- The Oral Exam
- Coronal Polishing and Intro to Moisture Control
- Dental Caries and Periodontal Disease
- Preventive Dentistry
- Introduction to Restorative Procedures
- Dental Instruments, Handpieces, Accessories, and Isolation of Teeth
- Restorative and Esthetic Dental Materials
- Dental Liners, Bases, Bonding Systems, and Cements
- Impression Materials and Procedures
- Laboratory Materials and Procedures
- Surgical Asepsis
- Principles of Pharmacology
- Anesthesia and Pain Control

- Midterm
- Matrix Systems for Restorative Dentistry
- Dental Sealants
- Assisting in Oral Surgery
- Periodontics
- Custom Impression Trays
- Removable Prosthodontics
- Root Canals
- Fixed Prosthodontics
- Provisional Coverage
- Dental Implants
- Pediatric Dentistry
- Special Needs and Medically Compromised Patients
- Assisting in a Medical Emergency
- Recognizing Oral Pathology
- Nutrition
- Patient Engagement and Education
- Final Exam

Skill Logs

- Oral Health
- Infection Prevention
- Dental Office & Equipment
- Patient Information and Assessment
- Instruments
- Moisture Control
- Pain Control
- Radiography

- Dental Materials
- Restorative Dentistry
- Prosthodontics
- Dental Implants, Endodontics & Periodontics
- Oral Surgery
- Pediatric Dentistry
- Coronal Polishing & Sealants
- Front Desk

Benefits

Employer

- Grow Your Own
  - Incumbent Staff & Community
- Clinic Flow & Re-training
- Reduced Cost
- 10 Week Trial Period
- Flexible position

Trainee

- Local
- No debt
- FTE
- Hands On
- Valued Care Team Member

Cohort Cycle

Enrollment Open:
- March 14th, 2022

Enrollment Deadline:
- April 1st, 2022

Application Deadline:
- April 15th, 2022

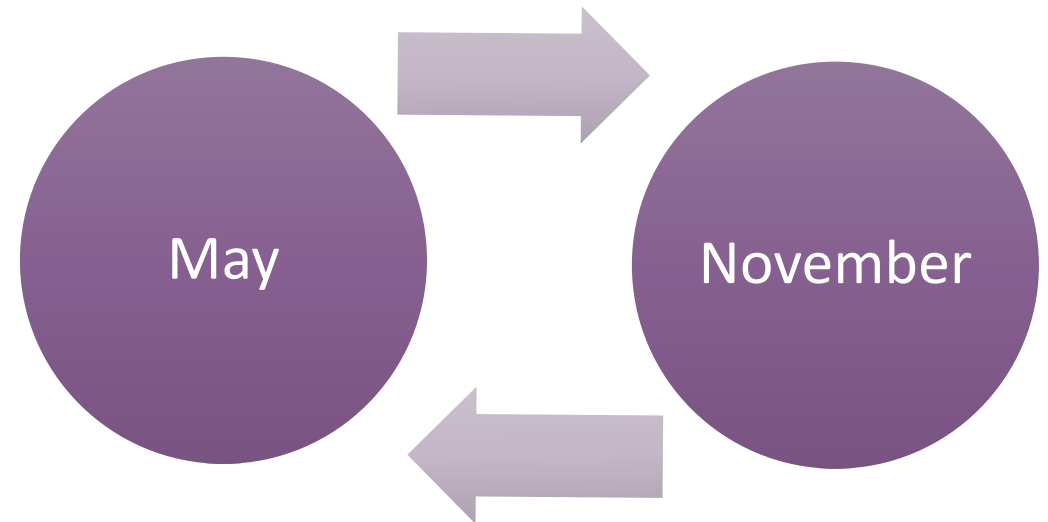**Program Orientation:**
- May 6th, 2022

Program Start Date:
- May 9th, 2022

May 2022 Cohort: $1250
30% Discount!

Standard Tuition: $1800

Public Cohorts:
- 1-6 Trainees / Employer
  - Biannual

May

November

Employers:

- Submit trainee spreadsheet by 4/15/22
- Email to Arielle Long

Trainees:

- Submit application form by 4/22/22
- MS Forms sent via email

Any Questions?

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