

Southwest College



Exam Site Information for Candidates
Western Regional Examining Board (WREB)
2020 WREB Hygiene Examination

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2020 WREB Dental Hygiene, Local Anesthesia & Restorative Examinations

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1. School Facility and Services

- **Location, Building Access and Hours:**

Dental hygiene is located at 880 National City Blvd, National City, California. The Dental Hygiene Clinic is located on the second floor of the building. There will be signs posted from the parking structure to the clinic to guide the patients and candidates to the clinic location. The phone number is 619-216-6670 for Christine Perry, Director Dental Hygiene. Directions to Clinic entrance; building opens at 6:30am-6:00pm daily for duration of exam.

Directions to the campus:

Drive south on the interstate 5 from the San Diego International Airport. Exit of the 5 south at the 8th Street/National City exit. Turn right onto W. 8th street. Turn right onto Roosevelt Street. Turn left into the parking structure.

- **Parking:**

The College has a parking structure located off of Roosevelt Street. There is no fee for Friday thru Sunday. There may be a fee for Thursday if arriving between 8 am and 5 pm. Parking tag can be received through the meter in the parking structure.

- **Security and Emergency Services:**

Southwestern College Police can be contacted at 619-216-6691 or National City Police can be contacted by calling 911 from any cell phone or 9-911 from a campus phone. In the event of an emergency while on the clinic floor, call 9-911 from any phone. Location will be explained at the WREB orientation.

- **ATM Machine:**

Availability across the street from the front entrance of Southwestern College at the Bank of America, 235 E 8th Street, National City, CA.

- **Food Services Onsite:**

Jack in the Box restaurant (fast food) on the corner of 8th street and Roosevelt across from the school parking structure. Vending machines on the first floor of the clinic building in the student lounge.

2. Preparing for the Hygiene Exam

- **Patient Screening:**

There is no time available for screening patients due to summer clinic schedule. Southwestern College does not have the responsibility of providing examination patients or back-up patients for candidates. Candidates should not make requests of anyone associated with the university (faculty, administration, or staff) for possible pick-up patients, patient information, patient consultation, advice or patient records relating to any patient being considered for the WREB examination. All questions should be directed to appropriate WREB officials.

- **Radiographs:** Candidates will have access to traditional (analog) film and film processor for exposure of patient films as needed (bite wing, periapical, SWC will

process the films.

Film- holders will be available for use during the exam at no additional charge. Dual pack film will be available for purchase (\$1.00 per film). Panoramic film will not be available. Film mounts will also be available for purchase (\$5.00).

SWC will not provide digital radiographs during the exam nor film duplication services.

- **Administration of Local Anesthetic:** Specify whether a qualified practitioner is available to administer local anesthetic to Candidate Patients during the exam (see below). Specify fee associated with service, if applicable. (Some schools provide this service free of charge.)
 - A. Practitioner(s) from the school is **NOT AVAILABLE** to administer local anesthesia to Candidate Patients. There are no exceptions to this policy.

Note: WREB has requirements for the candidates who bring their own licensed dental practitioners to administer local anesthetic to Candidate's Patients. Check with the WREB representative on those requirements

- **Equipment, Instruments and Expendable Dental Materials:** Refer to the respective WREB Candidate Guide for a list of materials and armamentarium that the Candidate must provide.

A. Handpiece and Propy Angle Hookups:

Handpiece attachment is two-hole coupler and Midwest RDH handpiece. Candidates are required to provide their own handpieces and propy angles for the exam.

B. Sonic/Ultrasonic Devices:

All operatories are equipped with water and electrical hook-up for an ultrasonic scaling unit. Water hook-ups are standard ADEC hookups. Please familiarize yourself with the dental hook-up during the Clinic Orientation Tour.

There will not be Cavitron 30K sleeves or inserts available during the WREB exam.

C. Air/Water Syringe Tips:

Disposable Air/Water Syringe Tips will be provided at no charge.

D. Blood Pressure Cuffs and Stethoscopes:

Candidates must provide their own blood pressure cuffs and stethoscopes.

- E. **Expendable Materials:** Expendable dental materials supplied by the school are noted in **Appendix A**. Add the expendable list to your document (items not listed are responsibility of Candidate).

- **Sterilization Services:** There will not be sterilization services available during the exam. Infection control items will be available to wrap or bag your contaminated instruments after use. Special arrangements will be made for **Candidates retaking that will need their instruments sterilized prior to retake exam time**. Please let the Floor Assistant know as soon as possible. Sterilization process takes a proximately 1.5 hours to complete.

3. During the Clinical Exam

- **Dental Operatory Units:** A-dec 1021 Decade, A-dec 2122 Cascade model to include right/left chairs positioning and adaptable tray table. Progeny dental x-ray equipment.

The clinic units are equipped with:

Rear Delivery A-dec units
 Two Air/Water Syringes
 Sharps Container
 Countertop/writing space (Behind chair)
 HVC and saliva ejector
 Slow speed adapter
 Water and electrical ultrasonic hook-up
 Paper towel/sink
 Clinician Stool
 Soap
 Hand sanitizer

- **Infection Control (Surface Asepsis):**

SWC use the CDC and State of California guidelines for asepsis protocols pertinent to the exam (i.e. dental unit, countertops, patient chair, light handles, etc.). All disinfectants will be provided to the candidates for use during the exam. A demonstration of set-up and brake down will be performed during the Candidate Orientation Tour.

Candidates are expected to wear full PPE and have their patient wear safety glass during treatment.

Operatories will be disinfected, barriers placed, and water bottles filled by school assistant prior to candidate entry in the clinic for the first session.

A. Hazardous Waste Disposal (exam-type specific):

- **Hygiene:** Contact the floor assistant for bags for disposal of blood/saliva-soaked waste. Place items in the provided bag and return to the clinic assistant for disposal.
- **Local Anesthesia:** Place empty cartridges and needles into the sharps container provide by the clinic. See Sharps Disposal for instructions.

B. Sharps Disposal: Sharps containers are located between the clinic chairs on the counter top behind the chairs. The components that may be placed in sharps container are emptied cartridges and needles only.

- **Emergency Medical Equipment:** Emergency equipment (i.e. oxygen, AED, first aid kits, ice packs, etc.) are located on the clinic floor next to chair #1. Contact the Chief in case of an emergency then dial 9-911 on any of the clinic floor phones.

4. Travel and Accommodation Information

- **Airport Information:** San Diego International Airport, San Diego California.
- **Ground Transportation:** Taxi, Lyft, Uber and airport shuttle are available.
- **Hotel Accommodations:** Best Western Plus Marina Gateway is approximately 1 mile away from campus by the beach. Address, 800 Bay Marina Drive, National City, CA 91950, phone number: 1-619-259-2800.

Expendable Dental Materials Appendices

APPENDIX A – Expendable Dental Hygiene Materials List Provided by Exam Site Host (School) To be provided in sufficient quantities for all Dental Hygiene Candidates		
2x2 gauze squares	Cotton-tip applicators	Paper towels
Air/water syringe tips	Drinking cups	Patient bib clips, disposable
Antimicrobial mouthwash	Face masks	Patient napkins/bibs
Anesthetic(s)	Facial tissue	Prophy paste
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local anesthetic(s) • Plain • Lidocaine 1:100,000 	Gloves	Sanitizing materials
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Topical anesthetic(s) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gloves, nonlatex (S,M,L,XL) 	Soap
Autoclave bags, small	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overgloves 	Standard saliva ejectors
Autoclave bags, medium	Headrest covers	Surface disinfectant
Autoclave tape	Instrument trays	Tray covers
Barrier covers/tape	Syringe Needles	Trash bags
Disposable gowns		

5. Maps

- **Campus Map:**

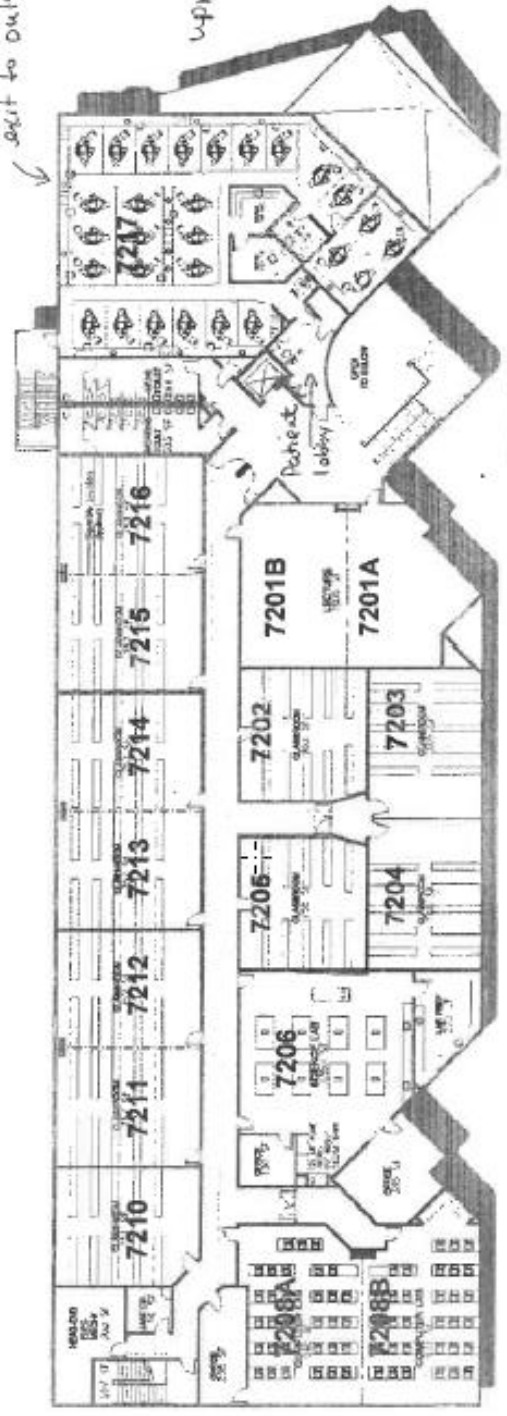
Directions to the clinic are included in #1 of the guide.

- **Clinic Floor Plan:**

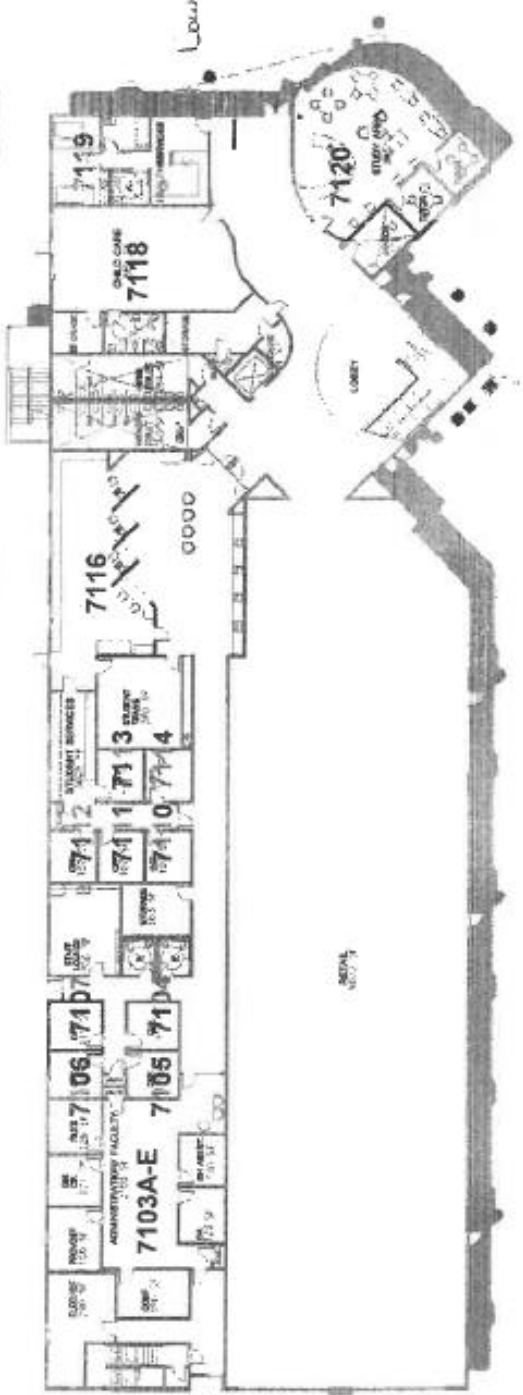
See floor plan on next page of guide.

exit to outside

upper level



lower level



access to 1st floor