



WREB

A National Dental and Dental Hygiene Testing Agency

2022 Updates

Online Clinical Examination Review Presentations

In addition to the Candidate Guide, WREB provides an online clinical exam review for the Dental Hygiene (Patient-based and Manikin), Local Anesthesia and Restorative clinical examinations. Viewing these presentations will further enable your students to be well prepared for their exam. These will be available in January for students to view at their convenience.

Student and Faculty Pre-Exam Webinars

In 2021, WREB hosted countless local anesthesia, dental hygiene, and restorative pre-exam webinars for students. The feedback regarding these webinars has been extremely positive from both the faculty and students. The educator webinars are very similar to the student webinars. The faculty webinars also include a few statistics and are a safe place for instructors to ask questions they may not feel comfortable asking in front of students and assist those faculty who may need to answer questions from students regarding 2022 exam content as well as help with mock boards. If you would be interested in a student and/or faculty webinar, please contact me at ryeager@wreb.org to schedule.

Hands-on Workshops for Dental Hygiene Clinical Instructors

WREB has provided a hands-on workshop prior to each Dental Hygiene exam (Patient-Based or Manikin). If your site would like to host the hands-on workshop for instructors prior to your exam, please contact me at ryeager@wreb.org.

Dental Hygiene Clinical Examinations

WREB can administer either a Patient-based, Manikin and/or OSCE, where applicable. We recommend that you check with your individual state licensing board to confirm acceptance of the Manikin or OSCE examination for 2022.

Dental Hygiene Patient-Based Clinical Examination

No changes for the 2022 exam season.

Dental Hygiene Manikin Clinical Examination

Technology has improved since the initial development of the Manikin simulation examination. The removable calculus tooth has been enhanced to provide a harder surface that is more resistant to instrumentation. Although we did not see consistent hard tissue errors last year, the harder tooth structure will improve the Candidate's experience during exploration and instrumentation.

The subgingival calculus deposits will remain the same color. The feel and texture of the calculus has also been improved to provide a better simulation of the size and texture of calculus in the oral cavity.

Several surface trials have been conducted at several dental hygiene schools. WREB believes the improvements in the removable calculus arches will lead to a better examination experience for the Candidates.

No changes have been made to the Assessment and Detection arches. Candidates will be tested on the same periodontal conditions:

1. Furcation Classification
2. Recording gingival recession
3. Detection of calculus
4. Periodontal probing
5. Answering four extra/intraoral assessment questions

Local Anesthesia Written Examination

WREB is aware of the discrepancies between referenced textbooks in the Local Anesthesia Candidate Guide regarding MRD and prilocaine.

However, the test items that are on the written examination are still reflective of the tables referenced in the WREB Local Anesthesia Candidate Guide. When preparing students for the written examination regarding MRD (drug information) please continue to use these tables.

Local Anesthesia Clinical Examination

No changes for the 2022 exam season.

Restorative Clinical Examination

No changes for the 2022 exam season.

WREB Examination Forms

Copies of all 2022 forms that students/instructors need to become familiar with, will be available to download via the WREB website in December. Original exam forms will be included in the exam packet each student receives onsite during the Q & A session, held prior to each exam.

Questions or Concerns

Contact me at ryeager@wreb.org or call (623) 209-5408.