Dental Hygiene Exam Site Information

WREB – WESTERN REGIONAL EXAMINING BOARD

EXAMINATION FOR HYGIENE LICENSURE

November 6-8, 2020
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The UNLV School of Dental Medicine (UNLV-SDM), located at 1700 West Charleston Blvd on the corner of Martin Luther King and Shadow Lane is making its facilities available to the Western Regional Examining Board (WREB) only as a testing site for the WREB Hygiene Examination for hygiene licensure. Questions related to the information in this document or to the facilities and policies of the School of Dental Medicine may be directed to the office of the Director of Clinical Operations at (702) 774-2483.

Please do not call for interpretation of the Candidate Guide provided by the WREB. Questions regarding the examination process (e.g., content, patient requirements, paperwork or forms, etc.) should be directed to WREB at (623) 209-5400, Option 1.

PLEASE NOTE: Neither the School of Dental Medicine nor its faculty or staff will assume any responsibility for follow-up patient care following the examination.

1. The school will not provide patients or make any of its clinical records available for screening or use during the examination. Further, the school has no external sources from which potential patients can be drawn. No solicitation for patients is permitted in the School of Dental Medicine’s building or in the immediate campus area. **The School of Dental Medicine Does Not Assume Responsibility For Supplying Patients For The Licensure Examination.**

2. Candidates who wish to use the school's facilities prior to the examination must contact Lupita Avila, Special Projects Manager at (702) 774-2461 to provide evidence of professional liability insurance in advance. This insurance must specifically provide coverage during the board preparation period to schedule patient contact in the school.

3. **PATIENT SCREENING:** Clinical and radiographic facilities at the school will be available Monday through Thursday preceding the examination (November 2 – November 5, 2020). Screenings may be done each day from 9:00am -12:00pm and 1:00pm - 4:00pm **on a space available basis.** Candidates will need to provide their own sterile screening instruments. Appointments must be arranged through Lupita Avila, Special Projects Manager at (702) 774-2461 or email her at Lupita.avila@unlv.edu. **No treatment other than screening (clinical and radiological examination) will be permitted.**

4. **RADIOGRAPHS:** Radiographs accepted for this examination are described in the WREB Candidate Guide. It is strongly recommended that candidates expose radiographs for the examination prior to arriving at the UNLV School of Dental Medicine. Candidates have access to our Radiology department prior to the examination for digital imaging on Thursday, November 5, 2020 from 9am to 1pm **on a space available basis** for a fee of $25 per patient (to be paid in cash). Appointments must be arranged through Ana Aguilar, the Dental Radiology Manager at (702) 774-2671 or email: ana.aguilar@unlv.edu. The fee must be paid **prior** to any exposures being generated. This fee only applies to radiographs taken prior to the date of the examination. Payments must be made **in cash or credit card** – checks of any kind will not be accepted.

5. **ADMINISTRATION OF LOCAL ANESTHETIC:** Practitioner NOT available. Candidates should plan ahead in the event that they are not eligible to administer local anesthetic to their Hygiene Patient due failure of their Local Anesthesia Clinical exam attempt.
Candidates who are unable to administer local anesthesia themselves should contact the Southern Nevada Dental Hygiene Association (SNDHA) for an available list of licensed Nevada practitioners who will be available during the exam to administer local anesthesia. The fee for administering local anesthesia is $150 cash paid to the licensed Nevada practitioner. For a list of available licensed Nevada practitioners you can email Missy Abel at missy.abel@csn.edu or Carole Brew@csn.edu

6. SUPPLIES: Dental supplies will be provided to candidates in the clinical examination area or in the dispensaries during the examination. All basic dental hygiene and barrier protection products will be available. Following is a basic list; if you have specific questions about brand or type contact Jennifer Sparks, the Dispensary Manager at 774-2441 or e-mail her at Jennifer.sparks@unlv.edu

Expendable Dental Materials Appendices

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7. **CLINIC EQUIPMENT**: Dental units are equipped with Adec dental chairs and Adec lights. The UNLV-SDM uses Bien Air handpieces and has one dedicated Bien Air electric motor connector. Three other connectors for air turbine handpieces are available on the unit – two for high speed handpieces and one for a low speed handpiece. Connections are a standard 2-hole 4 pin connection. Your handpiece must be equipped with a self-contained fiber optic light system or you must provide your own adapter.

All units have a 3-way air-water syringe. Syringe tips are provided. All units have an air and water source for ultrasonic scalers commonly referred to as cavitrons. The ultrasonic water source accepts a ¼” male quick disconnect and the air line accepts a 3/8” male quick disconnect. The school does not have any adapters available to alter this configuration. Candidates should bring their own adapter or an ultrasonic that fits our unit. Any questions in reference to clinic equipment should be directed to Josh Pitts, the Dental Equipment Repair Technician at (702) 774-2473. *The school does not provide ultrasonic scalers (cavitrons).*

**IT IS IMPORTANT TO READ THE FOLLOWING SECTION.**

8. **HANDPIECES** - Candidates have the option of bringing and using their own handpieces, as long as it conforms to the specifications written above in “clinic equipment” or may chose to rent a Bien Air electric motors with appropriate attachments; which are available at the UNLV-SDM main dispensary for $250.00 fee. Any candidate wishing to rent a Bien Air handpieces must make prior arrangements with Jennifer Sparks, the Dispensary Manager at (702) 774-2441 by 4:00pm, Friday, November 6, 2020. Any candidate renting handpieces must immediately return them following the completion of the procedure. All handpieces must be returned to the supply area from where they were obtained. WREB will be notified by the school if all rented handpieces are not returned. **The UNLV-SDM assume no responsibility for the performance of candidates personal handpieces and recommends candidates make appointments with Jennifer Sparks, the Dispensary Manager at (702) 774-2441 between November 4 and November 6, 2020 to test personal handpieces to ensure optimal performance with A-dec equipment.**
9. Candidates will be able to rent SRP instrument cassettes for a fee of $250.00. The following items are included in the cassette:
   - Mouth Mirror, Double Sided, #7 Handle
   - #11/12 ODU, After-Five Explorer, #7 Handle
   - UNC Probe, 1-12, #7 Handle
   - #H5/33 Scaler, #7 Handle
   - #4R/4L Columbia Curette, #7 Handle
   - #1/2 Mini Five Gracey, #7 Handle
   - #5/6 After Five Gracey, #7 Handle
   - #15/16 After Five Gracey, #7 Handle
   - Pliers, Utility Pick-Up
   - #13/14 After Five Gracey, #7 Handle
   - #3 Ceramic Stone
   - Hu-Friedy Pumice Cup
   - Syring Anesthetic CW Style 1.8ml

If you need an item that is not listed above, bring it with you or contact Jennifer Sparks, the Dispensary Manager at 774-2441 to see if the instrument is available for rental. The school assumes no responsibility for any omissions in your armamentarium.

10. STERILIZATION PROTOCOL: For the sterilization of instruments during the examination, please clean and wrap items in a sterilization bag. Sterilization bags will be available in each clinical area and at the sterilization drop-off window. Mark your candidate number on each package with the pen provided in the clinical area or at the sterilization window. Processing takes approximately three hours. A receipt will be given when turning in instruments for sterilization. Please retain the receipt for instrument pick-up. Signs will be posted to assist you in locating the sterilization area. Each candidate is responsible for clean-up of their treatment area after completion of treatment.

11. DENTAL UNIT MALFUNCTIONS: Report any UNLV-SDM equipment malfunctions to the clinical dispensary. A dental equipment repair technician or dispensary staff will provide assistance as soon as possible.

12. PARKING: Ample parking is located around the School of Dental Medicine. Candidates, patients and assistants should park in slots marked PATIENT on the east end of the building. Do not park in green metered slots without paying or in yellow STAFF slots. Campus parking enforcement will ticket you.

13. PATIENT BROKERING: Patient brokering, i.e., the selling of patients, will not be tolerated under any circumstances in the School of Dental Medicine or on the premises of the university. Violation of this rule will result in immediate removal for the UNLV Shadow Lane Campus for all involved.
INFECTION CONTROL PROTOCOL

1. GENERAL GUIDELINES

Standard precautions shall be observed to prevent contact with blood or other potentially infectious materials [aerosols]. Under circumstances in which differentiation between body fluid types is difficult or impossible, all body fluids shall be considered potentially infectious materials. Eating, drinking, smoking, applying cosmetics or lip balm, and handling contact lenses are prohibited in work areas where there is a reasonable likelihood of occupational exposure. Food and drink shall not be kept in refrigerators, freezers, shelves, cabinets or on countertops or bench tops where blood or other potentially infectious materials are present.

1) Clinic areas

Eating, drinking, smoking, applying cosmetics or lip balm, and handling contact lenses is not allowed in clinic areas.

Masks and glasses with side shields are worn during patient treatment and examinations. Over-gowns are worn by all who work in the operatory and disposed of before exiting clinic. Treatment gloves are worn for all oral contact procedures and chair-side assisting. Treatment gloves are changed for each patient and hands washed when gloves changed.

Utility gloves are to be worn when gathering up and cleaning used instruments, and until the instruments are bagged for sterilization. Each candidate will be responsible for bringing their own utility gloves.

Needles are only re-sheathed with one handed technique. Unsheathed needles are not passed. Sharps are discarded in each treatment cubicle (not in clean-up area) in labeled sharps containers.

2) Clinic support areas - Sterilization and all dispensaries must observe the same rules as clinic (see above).

Personal Protective Equipment --

Masks, Eye Protection, and Face Shields – Masks in combination with eye protection devices, such as goggles or glasses with solid side shields, or chin-length face shields, shall be worn whenever splashes, spray, spatter, or droplets of blood or other potentially infectious materials may be generated and eye, nose, or mouth contamination can be reasonably anticipated.

Appropriate protective equipment such as, treatment gloves, disposable gowns, face shields or masks and non-prescription eye protection are available at each dispensary. Personal protective equipment will be considered "appropriate” only if it does not permit blood or other potentially infectious materials to pass through to or reach the employee’s work clothes, street clothes, undergarments, skin, eyes, mouth, or other mucous membranes under normal conditions of use and for the duration of time which the protective equipment will be used.
UNLV SDM does not provide utility gloves for candidates and it is the responsibility of each candidate to bring utility gloves for themselves and for their assistants. Utility gloves may be decontaminated for re-use if the integrity of the glove is not compromised.

**CUBICLE SET-UP**

Basic Cubicle Items – All operatories are equipped with soap, mouthwash, paper towels, gloves, sharps dispensers and surface disinfectant and computers. All instruments, materials or other items required for patient care must be drawn from the dispensaries. Exceptions to this requirement are patient models and articulators.

Food – No food, beverage, candy, gum or bottled water is permitted in patient treatment areas, dispensaries or clinical laboratories.

Radios – Radios are not permitted in the clinical areas. Please check with each testing agency to clarify the use of electronics on their individual exam.

Prepare the operatory before seating any patient.

**PATIENT TREATMENT PROTOCOLS**

Face masks and protective eyewear, or face shields with mask, are mandatory in all patient contacts in which splashing, or spatter could occur e.g. use of high speed handpieces, ultrasonic equipment, air/water syringes, and during scaling and surgical procedures.

Protective clothing is mandatory in all direct patient contacts, including examinations, radiographic procedures and all treatment procedures. Clinic gowns used as protective clothing should be changed at least daily and when visibly soiled from treatment procedures. Soiled gowns are to be placed in the appropriately labeled hamper. Gowns are to be worn only in clinic areas. **DO NOT WEAR GOWNS** in bathrooms, lounges or outside of the building.

Hair must be secured so that it does not contact your patient, instruments, equipment or supplies.

Whenever anesthetic injections are used, recap the needle by using a recapping device provided at the dispensary. If you are working with an assistant, **do not pass** the syringe to the assistant after completing the injection. You must complete the recapping yourself before replacing the syringe back on the treatment tray. Place all used sharps in sharps containers (needles, scalpel blades, etc).
CUBICLE BREAK-DOWN
Always use plastic over gloves, wear safety glasses and protective clothing when disinfecting the operatory.

**Personal protection during instrument decontamination:**
Follow OSHA protocols: use personal protective equipment (PPE) –
- Hair covering,
- goggles or eye glasses with side shields,
- face mask,
- gown, and
- utility gloves.

**Instrument and cubicle cleaning**
1) Sort and discard disposables and barrier coverings
2) Sort contaminated items, putting reusable sharp or bladed instruments in instrument boxes; place disposable sharps in sharps container in cubicle
3) Use designated pan or cart for pre-cleaning/wiping/rinsing instruments.
4) Rinse instruments in instrument box thoroughly
5) Wipe all treatment area surfaces and equipment with saturated surface disinfectant wipes provided in each treatment cubicle
6) Flush enzyme solution through suction if procedure produced significant bloody saliva (enzyme solution available at dispensaries)
7) Return instrument box/ tray in instrument cart to the contaminated instrument window.

**STANDARD BARRIER PROTECTION**
The policy for UNLV School of Dental Medicine is to employ standard barrier protection in all direct patient contacts. These protective barriers and techniques include:
- Gloves
- Proper hand washing
- Masks and eye protection
- Protective clothing
**UNLV School of Dental Medicine Emergency Response Protocol**

**Unresponsive patient:** Firmly tap patient, assertively call patient’s name, if no response activate UNLV Emergency Response Protocol.

- The next three steps should occur immediately and simultaneously.
  1. Summon nearest Clinical Faculty or Team Supervising Faculty.
  2. Have someone call Emergency Services (4-2457 or 4-2458) to request an Oral Surgeon comes to the scene of the medical emergency. (Oral Surgeon and Emergency Services staff member will arrive with emergency bag and vital sign monitor.)
  3. Send someone for an Emergency Cart, including portable suction and AED.

- Upon request of Oral Surgeon, Clinical Faculty, or Team Supervising Faculty **ONLY**, have someone call 911 from a clinic phone (not a cell phone), and ask that a paramedic be dispatched to the flagpoles at 1700 W. Charleston Blvd.

- Have staff or a student go to the flagpoles (outside bldg. A) to meet EMT and direct them to the scene of the emergency. (**For second floor access in Bldg. A, EMTs with a gurney must use the elevator located at West end of the building, next to the cafeteria.**)

- If instructed by Oral Surgeon or Clinical Faculty carefully move patient from dental treatment chair to the floor before starting CPR. Start **CABD:**

  C – Compressions
  A – Airway
  B – Breathing
  D – AED (Automatic External Defibrillator)

- Move patients, students and staff members not directly involved in the care of patient out of the immediate area/clinical section.

- An Incident report **must** be completed by Oral Surgeon/attending faculty and submitted to Mr. Rangel within 24 hours of the incident.

- Whenever the emergency cart is opened Ms. Addison (4-2430) must be contacted to re-inventory the cart and relock it.

- When beeping doctor identify location using appropriate location code.

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<td>Dr. Hamilton 702-264-0159</td>
<td>Code 1, Team 1 Code 5, Emergency Clinic</td>
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<td>Dr. Hundley 702-264-0167</td>
<td>Code 2, Team 2 Code 6, Reception Area</td>
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<td>Dr. Orr 702-264-3445</td>
<td>Code 3, Team 3 Code 7, Building D</td>
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<td>Extra Beeper 702-264-0248</td>
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The examiner will have access to the school’s automatic external defibrillator (AED) and provide appropriate action according to the American Heart Association (AHA) standards until emergency responders arrive.
HOTELS IN LOCAL AREA

My Hotel List - Interactive Map

UNLV School of Dental Medicine
1700 West Charleston Blvd
Las Vegas, NV 89106 US

Plaza Hotel and Casino
1 Main Street
Las Vegas, NV 89101 US
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Stratosphere Tower - Casino and Resort
2000 South Las Vegas Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89104 US
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Golden Nugget Hotel and Casino
129 East Fremont Street
Las Vegas, NV 89101 US
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