



School Information for WREB Dental Hygiene Candidates

**Western Regional Examination Board
A National Dental and Dental Hygiene
Testing Agency**

**Hygiene Exam
May 1-4, 2020**

**Center for Oral Health Care & Research
School Of Dentistry
San Antonio**

**2020 WESTERN REGIONAL
EXAMINING BOARD DENTAL HYGIENE
CANDIDATE INFORMATION**

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UT Health San Antonio School of Dentistry would like to welcome you. We are making our facilities available to applicants for the Western Regional Examining Board as a testing site only. To make your experience here at the school as pleasant and convenient as possible, please review the following information. This Packet should answer any questions you have regarding the upcoming examination.

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EXAM LOCATION:

The COHR is located at 8210 Floyd Curl San Antonio, Texas 78229. It is in the South Texas Medical Center, and is near Interstates 10 and 410. The COHR is 12 miles northwest of downtown San Antonio and 7 miles from San Antonio International Airport.

(See Enclosed Map).

From Interstate 10:

Exit at Medical Drive and turn west on Medical. (From I-10 West, this is to the left.) Take Medical for 1.5 miles to Floyd Curl Drive, which is the second stoplight past Fredericksburg Road. Turn right onto Floyd Curl. The COHR is on the right.

From Interstate 410:

Exit at Fredericksburg Road and turn north on Fredericksburg. Continue on Fredericksburg turn left on Wurzbach Road. Turn right Floyd Curl Drive. The COHR is on the right.

VISITOR PARKING:

Patients and visitors may park in the parking garage. To get to the parking garage behind the building, turn on James P. Hollers Dr., which is adjacent to the Center for Oral Health Care & Research. There are designated handicap parking in parking garage and the open surface lot. Effective Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Parking Rates at the COHR are \$1.25/Hour.

HOTEL INFORMATION:

There are several hotels very close to the campus. Three of the closest are:
(Ask If They Have A UTHSCSA Rate)

Staybridge Suites San Antonio-NW Medical Center
4320 Spectrum
San Antonio, TX 78230
(210) 558-9009

Marriott Courtyard Medical Center
Marriott Dr.
San Antonio, TX 78229
(210) 614-7100

LaQuinta Inn & Suites San Antonio Medical Ctr.
4430 Horizon Hill Blvd
San Antonio, TX 78229
(210) 525-8090

FOOD SERVICE

The clinic has a food service called SA CAFÉ open Monday thru Friday, from 7AM-3PM . There are vending machines available in the student lounge on the 1st floor. There are many fast food restaurants located a few blocks from the clinic. Examples include: Chick-fil-A, Chipotle Mexican Grill, Wendy's, McDonalds, Taco Bell, Taco Cabana, Raising Canes's Chicken Fingers and Starbucks.

PATIENT SCREENING and RADIOGRAPHS

UT School of Dentistry cannot provide patients for candidates. UT School of Dentistry also will not furnish clinic records for screening or for use during the examinations. It is recommended that candidates have radiographs taken before arriving at the COHR if possible. Clinical and radiographic facilities will be available for screening your own patients during the week prior to your board date. These dates will be for April 27th to April 30th, 2020 during the hours of 9:00-11:00am & 1:30-3:00pm. Diagnostic Exam instruments will be available from the school for screening prior to the WREB Exam only. The school will provide sterilization for your own instruments. You are required to contact the Office of Patient Care (COHR Room 1230) on the day that you will be screening WREB patients. No treatment other than screening clinical and/or radiographic examinations will be permitted.

ALL SCHOOL RADIOLOGY IS DIGITAL and will be printed out for you. UT School of Dentistry radiology facility can assist in process of digital printed x-rays for outside candidates. You are required to contact the Office of Patient Care in Room 1230 on the day that you will be screening WREB patients. No treatment other than screening (clinical and/or radiographic examinations) will be permitted. School of Dentistry will not process conventional x-rays or have view boxes to view conventional x-rays on site. This facility is completely digital.

DENTAL SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT

Dental Units are Adec brand. Hand piece hookups are 6 pin for fiber optic couplers that accommodate W & H (ADEC) high and slow speed hand pieces. The candidate must provide all clinical instruments set-ups required. UT School of Dentistry does not have any clinical instruments available for rental. If you experience a malfunction of any operator or laboratory equipment during the examination, report it to the Floor Assistant who will notify the Dental Equipment Mechanic responsible for that area.

SONIC/ULTRASONIC DEVICES

The WREB allows the usage of sonic/ultrasonic devices as an adjunct to calculus removal. The Dental Hygiene operator units will accommodate the DENTSPLY Bobcat, DENTSPLY SPS Unit and the USI 800 Manual Tuner Unit. Any other model Cavitron should be checked by the school at your WREB Exam Orientation time.

Cavitrons available for rental are as follows: DENTSPLY Bobcats, DENTSPLY SPS, and USI 800 Manual Tuner Unit. The school currently has a limited supply of the SPS Units, but the school has adequate numbers of Bobcat Units. Cavitron tips that will be available are: Beaver Tail, Slimline and Universal. All tips are 25k. 30k tips are available for the SPS Unit. The candidate must furnish any other type tips. The rental fee for the School's cavitron package that includes tips will be \$50.00 payable either by cash, money order, cashier's check or credit card (V/MC). This rental fee is per candidate, per session. Payment will be required at orientation time.

A separate deposit of \$200.00 will be required on the day of your orientation. THE \$200.00 DEPOSIT CHECK MUST BE EITHER A CASHIER'S CHECK, MONEY ORDER OR CASH. All applicants renting any equipment assume the responsibility for damage, theft, etc.

RENTAL POLICY:

Dental hand pieces, cavitrons and tips will be available for rental. All rental arrangements and payments must be made with the cashier after your Dental Hygiene WREB Orientation. All hand pieces and equipment will be issued from the Clinic Dispensary at the start of your clinical exam. All rental equipment is the property of UT School of Dentistry. Loss or damage beyond normal wear and tear of the rented equipment (for example, breakage or dropping the equipment) will result in the renter needing to pay for repair and/or replacement of the equipment.

HANDPIECE RENTAL CHARGE

The Dental School will have available HANDPIECE sets for rental. A set includes the following: Low Speed, Latch and Friction Grip attachments. The school uses adec W&H handpieces. The handpiece rental fee will be \$100.00 total per set for the two (2) day examining period. This is payable either by cash, cashier's check, money order or Credit Card (Visa or MasterCard only). A separate deposit of \$500.00 will be required on the day of your orientation. THE \$500.00 DEPOSIT CHECK MUST BE EITHER A CASHIER'S CHECK, MONEY ORDER OR CASH. All applicants renting any equipment assume the responsibility for damage, theft, etc.

All our clinical operatories use the A-dec W&H high speed handpieces and the RA-RQ Roto-Quick couplers (6 hole) for the W&H slow speed handpiece. Couplers are provided with rental of handpieces.

If you are required to take our A-dec couplers off the delivery systems, please place the coupler in the cabinet under the Blue Light System.

INFECTION CONTROL PROCEDURES

Universal barrier protection is required during all direct patient contacts to reduce the possibility of cross-contamination. These protective measures include: the use of gloves, face masks, OSHA-acceptable eyewear, and during procedures which generate an aerosol, protective clothing (clinic gowns). Disposable non-latex gloves, facemasks, OSHA-acceptable eyewear (for candidate and patient) and disposable gowns will be provided and available at the testing site

Infection control guidelines at UT School of Dentistry require that gowns are worn only in the designated clinic area. Food and drink are not allowed anywhere in the clinical area.

ANESTHETIC SUPPORT

UT School of Dentistry **will have a dentist available during the exam** to administer local anesthetic for your patients, if required. The dental school will provide the required anesthetic supplies to the candidates

DISINFECTING/DISPOSABLE PROCEDURES SURFACE ASEPSIS

UT School of Dentistry uses two methods for surface disinfecting of the clinic operatory (patient chair, operator and assistant carts and stools, light handles, counter tops, etc.) The first method is surface covering by plastic wrap. The following surfaces are to be covered: light handle, light switch, chair switches, high volume evacuation control, air water syringe control, saliva ejector control, bracket table, soap dispenser. The second method is cavi-wipes that is used for the following areas: bracket table, dental control unit, water/air syringe, hand piece coupling fittings, hangers, unit light control handles, switch, control knob and mobile cabinet.

EXAMINATION SUPPLIES

UT School of Dentistry dispensary will provide the required expendable materials and supplies needed for patient care. These items will be issued from the Dispensary area (See list below). The dispensary will also provide supply items that will be located in each operatory (cubicle). All cubicle items must be left in the cubicle upon completion of the exam. Any items not on the enclosed list are the responsibility of the candidate.

Dental Hygiene Exam Supplies Provided

- Paper towels, facial tissues
- Soap
- Masks
- Gloves: non-latex
- Barriers for operatory, including headrest covers and tray covers
- Disposable air water syringe, saliva ejector, HVE
- 2 X 2 gauze
- Topical: various flavors
- Cotton tip applicators
- Lidocaine 2% with 1:100,000 epinephrine or Carbocaine 3% (no epinephrine)
- Needles, 25 and 27 gauge (long and short)
- Prophy paste, cups and brushes
- Blood Pressure cuff and stethoscope
- Small Styrofoam instrument trays for check-in and check-out
- Terry cloth towels for patient comfort, limited amount of blankets
- Sterilization pouches
- Sharps containers
- Patient bibs
- Surface Disinfectant
- Ice Packs
- Antimicrobial mouthwash, drinking cups

If you would like your instruments sterilized upon completion of your exam, please take your bagged instruments to the sterilization window labeled contaminated. **YOU NEED TO PUT YOUR CANDIDATE NUMBER ON THE BAG.**

Note, we will not ultrasonic or remove your items from their labeled bags prior to sterilization.
Please allow 24 hours for sterilization.

BASIC EMERGENCY AND SAFETY INFORMATION Floors 3 & 4

Phones:

- Faculty stations in clinic areas
- Front desk in reception area

For EMERGENCY:

- Dial 911 from any clinic phone
- Dial 210-567-8911 if using your mobile phone

Fire

- Fire alarms located on walls in clinic area
- Fire extinguishers located throughout clinic marked with wall signs
- If fire alarm sounds, escort patient to nearest exit

Eyewash Stations (wear your protective eyewear):

- Marked by green "Eyewash" signs
- Located in both labs on each floor and in soiled handling rooms on each side of clinic
- Pull off the green caps, pull the metal stopper on the back of the faucet and turn the water on. Flush eyes thoroughly.

Emergency Oxygen:

- On wheeled cart across from Dispensary
- A bag valve mask (Ambu bag) is located in case above O2 cart
- On/Off lever is top of canister and turned with attached wrench. Flow knob is circular. Nasal cannula and tube is in bag on cart.

First Aid, Emergency Kits and Defibrillator (AED):

- First Aid Kit- dispensary on each floor
- Emergency Drug kit (red plastic box)- located on wall next to Ambu bag
- Defibrillator (AED) mounted on the wall next to the dispensary in middle of clinic

Exposures and Exposure Personnel (wear your PPE and handle sharps carefully):

- Contact Dispensary personnel who will direct you to the appropriate medical facility

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