

Background

The Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Periodontics adopted on February 11, 2022 and implemented on January 1, 2023. Since that date then, 44 site visits have been conducted by visiting committees of CODA utilizing these standards.

Currently, the Standards include 93 “must” statements addressing 182 required areas of compliance.

This report presents the number of non-compliance areas cited by site visits conducted from January 1, 2023 through October 31, 2025. If special (focused or comprehensive), pre-enrollment or pre-graduation site visits were conducted during this period, citings from those visits are also included.

The data in Appendix 1 reflects a total of 9 citings of non-compliance.

- Standard 1- Institutional Commitment/Program Effectiveness: 1
- Standard 2- Program Director and Teaching Staff: 1
- Standard 3- Facilities and Resources: 1
- Standard 4- Curriculum and Program Duration: 6
- Standard 5- Advanced Dental Education Students/Residents: 0
- Standard 6- Research: 0

Due to the limited number of citings, no analysis can be performed at this time.

Summary

CODA will continue to receive reports annually which summarize the frequency of citings for each individual Standard, and will use the data to propose future revisions.

Recommendation:

This report is informational in nature, no action requested.

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Periodontics Frequency of Citings

Total Number of Programs Evaluated: 44

January 1, 2023 through October 31, 2025

Standard 1: Institutional Commitment/Program Effectiveness (27 Areas of Compliance)

Non-Compliance Citings	Accreditation Standard	Required Areas of Compliance
1	1-2	All arrangements with sites where educational activity occurs, not owned by the sponsoring institution, must be formalized by means of current written agreements that clearly define the roles and responsibilities of the parties involved.

Standard 2: Program Director and Teaching Staff (23 Areas of Compliance)

Non-Compliance Citings	Accreditation Standard	Required Areas of Compliance
1	2-5	Faculty must be assigned for all clinical sessions and immediately available for consultation with students/residents and patients. There must be direct supervision by periodontists of students/residents who are performing periodontal and dental implant related surgical procedures.

Standard 3: Facilities and Resources (13 Areas of Compliance)

Non-Compliance Citings	Accreditation Standard	Required Areas of Compliance
1	3-1	Adequate clinical and radiographic facilities must be readily available in order to meet the objectives of the program.

Standard 4: Curriculum and Program Duration (96 Areas of Compliance)

Non-Compliance Citings	Accreditation Standard	Required Areas of Compliance
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Appendix 1

Periodontics Review Committee (PERIO RC)

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	4-8	The educational program must provide clinical training for the student/resident to the level of competency. This must include, but is not limited to, the following treatment methods for health, comfort, function and esthetics:
1	4-8b	b. Surgical management of periodontal diseases and conditions, including: 1. Resective surgery, including gingivoplasty, gingivectomy, periodontal flap procedures, osteoplasty, ostectomy, and tooth/root resection; 2. Regenerative and reparative surgery including osseous grafting, guided tissue regeneration, the use of biologics, and utilization of tissue substitutes, where appropriate; and 3. Periodontal plastic and esthetic surgery techniques including gingival augmentation, root coverage procedures and crown lengthening surgery.
1	4-8c	c. Tooth extraction in the course of periodontal and implant therapy.
	4-10.2	Clinical training in dental implant therapy to the level of competency must include:
1	4-10.2a	a. Implant site development to include hard and soft tissue preservation and reconstruction, including ridge augmentation and sinus floor elevation;
1	4-10.2b	b. Surgical placement of implants; and
1	4-10.2c	c. Management of peri-implant tissues in health and disease.
1	4-10.2d	d. Provisionalization of dental implants.

Standard 5: Advanced Dental Education Students/Residents (20 Areas of Compliance)

Standard 6: Research (3 Areas of Compliance)