

Background

The Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Prosthodontics were adopted on August 5, 2022 with immediate implementation. Since that date, 34 (includes maxillofacial prosthetics) site visits have been conducted by visiting committees of CODA utilizing these standards.

Currently, the Standards include 94 “must” statements addressing 158 required areas of compliance for prosthodontics; 82 “must” statements addressing 121 required areas of compliance for maxillofacial prosthetics; and 103 “must” statements addressing 184 required areas of compliance for combined prosthodontic/maxillofacial prosthetic programs.

This report presents the number of non-compliance areas cited by site visits conducted from August 5, 2022 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.

Analysis

The data in **Appendix 1** reflects a total of 14 citings of non-compliance.

- Standard 4 - Curriculum and Program Duration: 14 (100%)

Analysis of the data indicates that the most frequently cited Standards are:

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| ● Standard 4-7: one (1) citing | ● Standard 4-38 a: one (1) citing |
| ● Standard 4-28: one (1) citing | ● Standard 4-38 b: one (1) citing |
| ● Standard 4-29: one (1) citing | ● Standard 4-38 c: one (1) citing |
| ● Standard 4-34: one (1) citing | ● Standard 4-38 d: one (1) citing |
| ● Standard 4-35: one (1) citing | ● Standard 4-38 e: one (1) citing |
| ● Standard 4-36: one (1) citing | ● Standard 4-38 f: one (1) citing |
| ● Standard 4-37: one (1) citing | ● Standard 4-38 g: one (1) citing |

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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Prosthodontics Frequency of Citings

Total Number of Programs Evaluated: 34

August 5, 2022 through October 31, 2025

Standard 1: Institutional and Program Effectiveness (24 Areas of Compliance)

Standard 2: Program Director and Teaching Staff (19 Areas of Compliance)

Standard 3: Facilities and Resources (21 Areas of Compliance)

Standard 4: Curriculum and Program Duration

Discipline	Program Duration	Number of Areas of Compliance
Maxillofacial Prosthetics	12 months	41
Prosthodontics	34 months	78
Combined Prosthodontics/Maxillofacial Prosthetics	45 months	104

Non-Compliance Citings	Accreditation Standard	Required Areas of Compliance
1	4-7	The amount of time devoted to didactic instruction and research must be at least 30% of the total educational experience.
1	4-28	Students/Residents must be competent in the prosthodontic management of patients with temporomandibular disorders and/or orofacial pain.
1	4-29	Students/Residents must have experience with patients requiring maxillofacial prosthetic care.
1	4-34	Students/Residents must be competent to perform pre-prosthetic and maxillofacial prosthetic treatment procedures in the hospital operating room.
1	4-35	Students/Residents must be competent in the hospital operation room to guide and assist multidisciplinary team members in resection and reconstructive treatment procedures that impact prosthetic rehabilitation for patients with maxillofacial and craniofacial complex defects.

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1	4-36	Students/Residents must be competent in the pre-prosthetic, prosthetic and post-prosthetic management and performing treatment of patients with defects of the craniofacial complex.
1	4-37	Students/Residents must be competent to direct and teach laboratory technicians supporting treatment for the maxillofacial prosthetic patients.
	4-38	Students/Residents must demonstrate competency in multidisciplinary diagnosis and treatment planning conferences relevant to clinical maxillofacial prosthetics, as it fulfills the mission of the program, which may include:
1	4-38 a	Cleft palate and craniofacial conferences;
1	4-38 b	Clinical pathology conferences;
1	4-38 c	Head and neck cancer treatment planning conferences;
1	4-38 d	Medical oncology treatment planning conferences;
1	4-38 e	Radiation therapy diagnosis and treatment planning conferences;
1	4-38 f	Reconstructive surgery conferences; and
1	4-38 g	Tumor boards.

Standard 5: Advanced Education Students/Residents (15 Areas of Compliance)

Standard 6: Research (1 Area of Compliance)