

# Commission on Dental Accreditation

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At its Summer 2021 meeting, the Commission directed that the proposed revisions to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Orofacial Pain be distributed to the appropriate communities of interest for review and comment, with comment due June 1, 2022, for review at the Summer 2022 Commission meeting.

Written comments will only be accepted through the Commission's Electronic Comment Submission Portal at this link:

[https://surveys.ada.org/jfe/form/SV\\_ehqpjQ5m2uAYkTP](https://surveys.ada.org/jfe/form/SV_ehqpjQ5m2uAYkTP)

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## Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Orofacial Pain

## STANDARD 1 – INSTITUTIONAL AND PROGRAM EFFECTIVENESS

1-1 Each sponsoring or co-sponsoring United States-based educational institution, hospital or health care organization **must** be accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education or accredited by an accreditation organization recognized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

United States military programs not sponsored or co-sponsored by military medical treatment facilities, United States-based educational institutions, hospitals or health care organizations accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education or accredited by an accreditation organization recognized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) **must** demonstrate successful achievement of Service-specific organizational inspection criteria.

Advanced dental education programs **must** be sponsored by institutions which are properly chartered and licensed to operate and offer instruction leading to postdoctoral degrees, diplomas and/or certificates with recognized education validity.

### **Examples of evidence to demonstrate compliance may include:**

Accreditation certificate or current official listing of accredited institutions from a USDE-recognized accreditation organization with appropriate recognition authority

Evidence of successful achievement of Service-specific organizational inspection criteria, for US military programs, as noted in Standard 1-1

Evidence of institutional accreditation from an accreditation organization currently recognized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). For example, recognized accreditation organizations may include: Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC); Accreditation Commission for Health Care, Inc. (ACHC); American Association for Accreditation of Ambulatory Surgery Facilities (AAAASF); American Osteopathic Association Healthcare Facilities Accreditation Program (AOA/HFAP); Center for Improvement in Healthcare Quality (CIHQ); Community Health Accreditation Program (CHAP); DNV GL-Healthcare (DNV GL); National Dialysis Accreditation Commission (NDAC); The Compliance Team (TCT); The Joint Commission (JC).