

Commission on Dental Accreditation

At its Summer 2022 meeting, the Commission directed that the proposed revisions to Accreditation Standards for Dental Hygiene Education Programs be distributed to the appropriate communities of interest for review and comment, with comment due December 1, 2022, for review at the Winter 2023 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_0weaNF7BSvBt7dH

Proposed Revision to Standard 2-14

Additions are Underlined

~~Strikethroughs~~ indicate Deletions

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STANDARD 2 - EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Patient Care Competencies

- 2-14 Graduates must be competent in providing dental hygiene care for all stages and grades of periodontal disease. ~~types of classifications of periodontal diseases including patients who exhibit moderate to severe periodontal disease.~~

Intent:

The total number and type of patients for whom each student provides dental hygiene care should be sufficient to ensure competency in all components of dental hygiene practice. A patient pool should be available to provide patient experiences in all stages and grades of periodontal disease, ~~classifications of periodontal patients~~, including both maintenance and those newly diagnosed. These experiences should be monitored to ensure equal opportunity for each enrolled student.

Examples of evidence to demonstrate compliance may include:

- program criteria for stages and grades of periodontal disease ~~classification of periodontal disease~~
- program clinical and radiographic experiences
- patient tracking data for enrolled and past students
- policies regarding selection of patients, ~~and~~ assignment of procedures, and referrals
- monitoring or tracking system protocols
- clinical evaluation mechanism demonstrating student competence