

**Ostrow**  
School of Dentistry  
of **USC**

The Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of University of Southern California is making its facilities available to the Western Regional Examining Board (WREB) as a testing site. This handout will address questions you may have regarding the facility and its role as a testing site. If you need additional information or clarification, please call the school site coordinator at (213) 740-7785,

Please do not call the school for any interpretation of material contained in your Candidate Manual. Questions regarding the examination (content, patient requirements, paperwork/form, etc.) should be directed to the Western Regional Board office at (602) 944-3315.

### **LOCATION**

The School of Dentistry is located at 925 West 34<sup>th</sup> Street, Los Angeles, California 90089. (Jefferson Blvd., Vermont Ave. and Hoover St. border the school.)

### **PARKING**

On-campus parking is available at \$8.00 per day. Entrance to campus parking is Gate 8 on Jefferson, east of Vermont. Please do not be tempted to use parking at the University Village Shopping Center across from the Dental School. These lots are closely watched and persons using the spaces for Dental School parking may either have their car ticketed and/or towed.

### **REGISTRATION**

Registration is held on the first floor lobby at the East Side of the Dental School.

### **TOUR**

A tour of the school is planned immediately following your orientation. Please remain in the lecture room for a brief presentation by the site coordinator prior to the actual tour.

### **FOOD FACILITIES**

During the week Café 84, on campus, is located across the street at the West End of the Dental School. Another option is the food court: located across Jefferson Blvd., in the University Village Shopping Center in open 7 days a week. (Please be sure you use the crosswalk. Don't chance a jaywalking violation.)

## **PATIENT PROCUREMENT**

Candidates must provide their own patients. The Dental School does not assist candidates in obtaining or screen patients, nor does it provide patient screening areas for candidates. **NO SOLICITATION FOR PATIENTS IS PERMITTED IN THE SCHOOL BUILDING, THE IMMEDIATE DENTAL SCHOOL CAMPUS AREA, OR AMONG OTHER CANDIDATES' PATIENTS.**

## **PATIENT RECEPTION AREA**

Patients should enter the building through the 34<sup>th</sup> Street (south side) west labby entrance. There is a large reception room on the first floor. Patients should be instructed to wait there until called.

## **RADIOLOGY**

The Radiology Department is located on the first floor adjacent to the patient waiting area. Due to limited facilities, it is recommended that candidates have radiographs taken before arriving at the Dental School. Radiology facilities will be available before the actual date examinations begin. During the examination hours the facilities will be open between the hours of 7:00 am to 4:30 pm, radiology technicians will be available to take the develop radiographs.

2 PA's including mount	\$25.00
4 BWX including mount	\$35.00
FMX including mount	\$70.00

Payments are cash only.

## **SUPPLIES**

Candidates are asked to furnish all dental equipment and supplies necessary to complete the exam. However, the Dental School will provide disposable items. (Refer to list.)

We will be placing a "set-up" bag for each patient on the back-bar of the cubicle. If a Set-up bag is missing; please go to the dispensary to obtain one. Each "set-up" bag contains the following items: 2X2 gauze, cotton applicator, cotton rolls, patient napkins, a disposable air/water tip, evacuator tip, saliva ejector and plastic sleeve covers for hoses to the air/water tip, evacuator and saliva ejector.

The following supplies will be furnished during the examination:

Alcohol	Masks
Anesthetic-topical and local	Mouthwash
Cotton rolls	Needles (25G long & 27G short)
Cotton tipped applicators	Over gloves
Cups	Patient bibs
Disinfectant solution	Plastic covers for dental chair & unit
Evacuation & saliva ejector tips	Prophy paste and pumice
Floss	Styrofoam trays (for instruments)
Gauze	Tongue Blades
Gloves (latex & vinyl)	Tray cover
Hydrogen Peroxide	Waste bags

You must furnish your own equipment (handpieces, hand instruments, and anesthetic syringes. If an item is not on the lists in this handout, bring it with you. The school will not assume any responsibility for any omissions in your armamentarium. Availability for renting an Ultrasonic scaling unit is very limited.

### **DENTAL BOOKSTORE**

The Student Store is located in the lower level, east end of the Dental Building. Their hours are 8:30 am – 4:45 pm Monday, Thursday and Friday. Wednesday from 8:30 am – 6:45 pm. Telephone (213) 740-2725. FAX (213) 740-2728.

### **CLINICAL OPERATORY EQUIPMENT**

Each clinic cubicle is equipped with an ADEC UNIT. The unit has:

- Four-hole Midwest-style handpiece connectors for high-speed and low-speed handpieces.
- Tri-function air/water syringe.
- High-volume evacuation hose and saliva ejector hose
- A water quick-connect.

There is also a radiograph view box and an electrical outlet above the back bar of the cubicle.

### **EQUIPMENT MALFUNCTIONS**

If you experience any equipment malfunction, report it to any clinic personnel or Floor Examiner and an on-site technician will be sent immediately to your area effect the necessary repairs.

### **INFECTION CONTROL PROCEDURES**

The infection control policies of the school follow ADA and CDC guidelines. They include universal precautions (all patients must be treated as if they are infectious). The school requires all the use of universal barrier) gloves, facemasks, eyewear and clinic gowns during all direct patient care. **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING OSHA ACCEPTABLE EYEWEAR FOR YOU AND YOUR PATIENTS.**

#### **Clinic Attire**

YOU are responsible to provide you OWN clinic attire, which meet the standards imposed by WREB. However, disposable gowns may be purchased at the dispensary.

#### **Surface Asepsis**

A canister of surface disinfecting wipes is at each unit and must be used before and after each patient. Chair covers for the dental chairs are located on the main aisle walls and barrier wraps for light handles and gloves are located on mobile carts on the main aisle of the clinic.

### **Biohazard Waste**

Place biohazard waste, such as saliva ejector, evacuator tips, gloves, gauze, cotton rolls, pellets in the plastic tan bag marked “waste”, must be placed in the red biohazard labeled receptacles located at the end of each cubicle section. Disposable gowns, **with no evidence of blood**, may be placed in the brown waste receptacle container located next to the red biohazard container.

Place all sharps (such as needles, scalpel blades, etc.) in the containers located on the wall of each cubicle and empty anesthetic cartridge into the containers for glass also located in the immediate area.

### **STERILIZATION**

Central Sterilization is located next to the dispensary. The sterilization schedule will be posted during the examination. Sterilization bags will be available at the contaminate window. You must clean and bag your instruments appropriately with your name and candidate identification to ensure their return to you. **Central Sterilization will not accept any items that have not been appropriately prepared.**

### **EMERGENCY PROTOCOL**

1. Stay with the patient and get someone to assist you
2. Have your assistant notify the Floor Examiner immediately and tell him/her that you have a medical emergency.
3. Check the patient for **Air, Breathing, and Circulation**
4. Start **CPR** if indicated.
5. The Floor Examiner will initiate the emergency call to the USC Security Officer/Paramedic. **STAY WITH THE PATIENT.**

### **EMERGENCY KIT AND OXYGEN LOCATIONS**

**Ground Floor** – Dispensary - Room 118

Radiology – Room 129

AED Units (automatic emergency defibrillator) are available throughout the building located under signs hanging from the ceiling.

### **OTHER EMERGENCIES**

Everyone must vacate the building through the nearest stairs exist to them located at either end of the building. (**DO NOT USE THE ELEVATORS.**) USC personnel will be assisting in the evacuation of the building. Once outside the building stay far away from the dental building.

### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

**For further information regarding this handout or the dental school call (213) 740-1578 or (213) 740-7785**

