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GET READY FOR YOUR DENTAL HYGIENE EXAMINATION!



1 Dental Hygiene Clinical Exam – Patient-Based

- Purpose is to evaluate your ability to utilize professional judgment and clinical competency in providing oral health care to a patient.
- Clinical aspects of the examination include:
 - Patient qualification
 - Extraoral and Intraoral evaluation
 - Calculus detection and removal
 - Tissue management
 - Periodontal assessment
 - Professional judgment

2 Dental Hygiene Clinical Exam – Manikin-Based

- Comprised of two exercises: 1) Assessment and Detection, and 2) Removable Calculus. Each exercise is completed on a simulated quadrant mounted in a typodont/manikin, positioned to simulate the treatment of a patient.
- The Assessment and Detection exercise requires the candidate to assess periodontal conditions, accurately record periodontal measurements, and note the presence of subgingival calculus on a maxillary quadrant.

- The Removable Calculus exercise requires candidates to thoroughly remove subgingival calculus from all teeth in the assigned quadrant using ultrasonic and/or hand instrumentation.

3 Dental Hygiene Objective Structured Clinical Examination (DH OSCE)

- Tailored to specific clinical aspects of dental hygiene care in order to evaluate critical thinking skills that cannot be assessed comprehensively on the clinic-based examination.
- A standardized, multiple-choice examination that employs images and radiographs to replicate authentic oral conditions and clinical situations.
- Content focuses on the clinical aspects and knowledge-based skills necessary to safely treat a patient in a clinical setting. Content categories are: medical history, risk assessment, Extraoral and Intraoral examination, periodontal assessment, dental hygiene care/treatment plan, instrumentation.
- Offered as a stand-alone examination (please check your state's requirements).

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4 The WREB Local Anesthesia Examination

- Separate Clinical and Written components (please check your state licensing board for specific requirements).
- Clinical evaluation evaluates your ability to utilize professional judgment and knowledge to competently administer a posterior superior alveolar (PSA) and an inferior alveolar (IA) nerve block injection on a patient.
- Written evaluation subject matter includes:
 - Anatomy (head and neck) and physiology.
 - Pharmacology of anesthetic agents and vasoconstrictors, including the clinical actions and maximum recommended doses of specific agents.
 - Method of delivery of local anesthesia, including armamentarium, selection of injection type, and administration technique.
 - Medical history interpretation; prevention, recognition, and management of possible complications; and life support.

5 WREB Dental Hygiene Restorative Examination

The purpose of the WREB Dental Hygiene Restorative Examination is to:

- Evaluate your ability to utilize professional judgment and competency in providing restorative procedures as allowed by state statute.
- Assess your skills in placing, carving, and finishing one (1) Class II amalgam and one (1) Class II composite restoration on a typodont.
- Test your ability to administer one mesioclusal (MO) and one distocclusal (DO) maxillary and mandibular molar preparation.

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