Eastern WV Community & Technical College Master Course Record

Course Prefix and Number: WFHC 112

Course Title: Dental Assisting

Recommended Transcript Title: Dental Assisting

Date Approved/Revised: 11/6/17

Credit Hours: 6

Contact hours per week (Based on 15 week term):

Lecture: 60
Lab: 40

Prerequisite: None
Corequisite: None
Pre/Corequisite: None
Grading Mode: Pass/Fail

Catalog Description: This comprehensive 100-hour program prepares students for entry-level positions in Dental Assisting. The purpose of this course is to familiarize the student with all areas of pre-clinical dental assisting and provide training in the professional skills required to function as an assistant in the dental practice.

Course Outcomes: (See Competency Verb list for suggested language)

- 1. Describe dental specialties and the history of dentistry
- 2. Identify the members of the dental staff and general job descriptions
- 3. Identify and name the parts of the jaw and areas of the mouth
- 4. Discuss oral embryology and histology
- 5. Identify tooth charting, tooth surfaces, and classification of restorations on a tooth
- 6. Identify a single crown restoration, bridge, implant, partial denture, and full denture
- 7. Understand periodontal disease and preventative dentistry
- 8. Identify and name dental equipment and accessories/equipment in a treatment room
- 9. Explain oral pathology, microbiology, disease transmission, and infection control
- 10. Understand and apply the principles and techniques of instrument processing and sterilization
- 11. Understand and explain chemical and waste management
- 12. Demonstrate the utilization of dental unit water lines
- 13. Demonstrate the use of dental hand pieces and accessories
- 14. Understand moisture control
- 15. Demonstrate the use of dental cements, impression materials, and general dentistry

Implementation Cycle: Fall

Role in College Curriculum: (Check all that apply)

General Education Core (Specify category)

Technical Core (Specify Program)

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Restricted Elective (Specify Program)

General Elective

✓ Workforce Education: Technical Studies Certificate – Dental Assisting
 Other (Please specify)

Course Fee: Yes

Instructor's Qualifications: Bachelor's of Science in Dental Hygiene AND/OR expertise and experience in field.

Expanded Course Description: This course covers the following key areas and topics: the history of dentistry and dental assisting; introduction to the dental office; legal aspects of dentistry and dental assisting; policies and guidelines. Clinical aspects include: introduction to oral anatomy; dental operatory; dental equipment, operation, and maintenance; introduction to tooth structure; primary and permanent teeth; oral cavity and related structures; proper patient positioning; dental hand pieces; dental anesthesia; sterilization; maintaining sterility and asepsis and other areas.

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