



A **wide-open** career that's worth **smiling** about!

Dental chairside assistants prepare patients for treatment, maintain instruments and equipment, work with patients' dental records and instruct patients on post-operative and general oral health care. Employment in this field is growing, and opportunities are expected to be plentiful. A local clinical internship is required in this program which will start you on your way to a smart new career!

Advanced college/trade school credit is available to qualifying students from the following institution:



COURSE TITLE: DENTAL CHAIRSIDE ASSISTING

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Students will learn how to work chairside with the dentist, prepare dental materials, perform basic business procedures, and provide practical experience in radiology and four-handed dentistry. Students learn in a simulated environment equipped with the most current equipment and software in a setting where skills are taught with a strong emphasis on patient care and business application. Students gain experience through clinical practice in the field. This program will prepare students for a course of study in higher education for the New York State Dental Assisting Licensing Program.

COURSE CONTENT

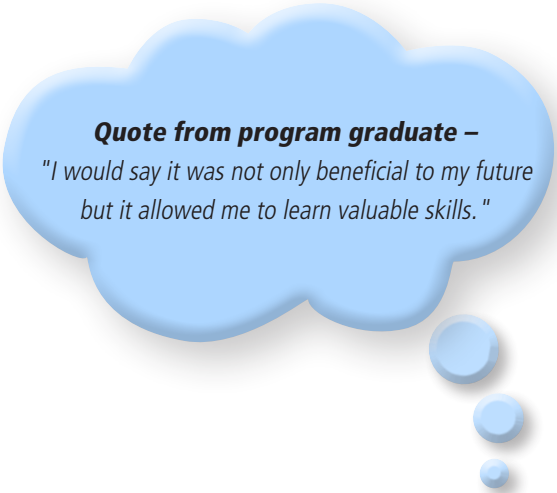
Introduction to Dental Assisting	Personal Health and Grooming
Pre-Clinical Sciences	Chairside Procedures
Basic Laboratory Skills	Applied Psychology
First Aid and Emergency Treatment	Prevention and Control in Dental Health
General Office and Patient Routine	Expanded Functions
Basic Dental Sciences	Dental Specialties
Instrument Care	Office Management Skills
Film Exposure	X-Ray Processing
Practice Administration	X-Ray Mounting and Digital Technology

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- Certified Dental Assistant
- Dental Lab Technician
- Registered Dental Hygienist

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

General Dentist	Oral Maxillofacial Surgery
Orthodontics	Pediatric Dentistry
Periodontics	Endodontics
Prosthodontics	Dental Insurance Company
Private Practice	Group Practices
Federal, State and Local Agencies	Armed Forces
Dental Supply Company	Dental Public Health



SUGGESTED SUPPORTIVE COURSES

- Anatomy
- Basic Computer Concepts
- Chemistry, Living Environment

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

COSTS	Uniforms approximately \$95; workbook/other supplies approximately \$50; complete physical exam required
LENGTH OF COURSE.....	1 year
LOCATION	Gary D. Bixhorn Technical Center
CTE/ACADEMIC CREDIT	Please see chart on pages 4 and 5 for updated details
INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION	Basic Life Support

Health Science

- Introduction to Personal Training (ICC)
- Certified Personal Trainer (BTC)
- Clinical Medical Assisting (MTC, WTC)
- Dental Chairside Assisting (BTC)
- Nurse Assisting (MTC, WTC)
- Physical Therapy Aide (BTC)
- Practical Nursing (BTC)

