



DENTAL HYGIENISTS

Dental Hygienists are licensed oral health care professionals who serve the public in oral disease prevention and oral health promotion. They provide preventive, educational and therapeutic services to individuals and the community. Dental hygienists play an important role in the assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation of periodontal (gum) diseases. Dental Hygienists are employed in dental offices, hospital dental clinics, educational institutions, government agencies and private industry.

EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Dental Hygiene in the province of Manitoba is a two year professional program following one year of general university studies including chemistry, anatomy & physiology, psychology, statistics and 9 credit hours of electives.

Graduation from a dental hygiene program accredited by either the Canadian Dental Association (CDA) or the American Dental Association (ADA) is required for Manitoba licensure.

WORK EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

Work experience is not applicable in the process of credential assessment unless the individual has been not working as a dental hygienist for a period of five or more years consecutively.

ASSESSMENT PROCESS

To become licensed to work as a Dental Hygienist in Manitoba the applicant must first apply to the **Manitoba Dental Association**. He/she must submit:

- a completed application form (available from the Manitoba Dental Association);
- a certified copy of her/his degree or diploma.

If documents are in other than English or French, notarized translations are required.

* Graduates from programs not accredited by either the CDA or the ADA wishing to work as Dental Hygienists will be required to apply to, and complete, a Dental Hygiene program at an accredited educational institution. In Manitoba, the candidate can apply to the School of Dental Hygiene; Faculty of Dentistry, University of Manitoba to complete the two-year accredited program.

When all requirements have been met and fees have been paid (*registration fee is \$25.00, annual license fee is \$40.00*), the applicant will be licensed to practice as a Dental Hygienist in the province of Manitoba.

The fees, documentation requirements and assessment process detailed above are subject to change without notice.

For more detailed information please contact:

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