

DH140: Dental Hygiene Process of Care

Credit Hours: 1

Clock Hours: 15/0/0

This introduces students to employ critical decision-making skills to reach conclusions about the patient's needs related to oral health and disease that fall within the dental hygiene scope of practice. Students will learn how to work with the dentist to integrate their respective diagnoses and treatment plans into a single comprehensive plan that requires a full spectrum of professional knowledge, skills and judgments. This collaborative relationship between the dental hygienist and dentist ensures that the comprehensive treatment needs of the patient will be identified, evaluated and addressed.