

TENNESSEE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

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THE UNIVERSITY of TENNESSEE 

HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER

COLLEGE of DENTISTRY

Department of Dental Hygiene

Competency Based

Remediation Protocol

DEVELOPED BY THE UTHSC COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY OFFICE OF
THE DEAN AND OFFICE OF CONTINUING DENTAL EDUCATION

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The University of Tennessee Health Science Center, College of Dentistry presents, a competency based program designed to establish a formal competency based curriculum for remediation of dental hygiene professionals. This course may also be necessary for dental hygiene process of care review for the hygienist returning to practice or the hygienist who has recently relocated.

TN Board of Dentistry & UTHSC College of Dentistry Remediation Protocol

The dental hygienist will provide the UTHSC College of Dentistry with his/her complete adjudication from the TN BOD.

The UTHSC College of Dentistry will discuss TN BOD stipulations with program specific remediation faculty to determine “Topics of Discussion” and related competencies.

The UTHSC College of Dentistry will conduct a face to face or telephone interview with the dental hygienist to discuss the curriculum and time believed necessary to effectively accomplish competency in the area(s) of the TN BOD adjudication.

The remediant will be presented with contact hours and tuition required for their customized one-on-one competency program.

- The number of hours and “Topics of Discussion”, whether didactic only or also involving laboratory exercises or clinical patient care, is predicated upon recommendations to the UTHSC College of Dentistry by the TN BOD.
- The time specified for any examination, either written, oral or laboratory, is equivalent to the time provided a senior dental hygiene student similar circumstances.
- Competency is evaluated at the level equivalent to a graduating dental hygiene student following completion of 2 years of dental hygiene education.

At the outset of each program there is an initial period of time wherein the remediant is interviewed by faculty to better understand remediant’s disposition and determine an effective manner to present material pertinent to the TN BOD’s adjudication. This interview may be in the form of an oral or written pretest. The outcome does not eliminate the need for an educational process to be achieved.

The tuition determined by the UTHSC College of Dentistry is \$500 per day which will typically encompass up to three (3) days (Please note: if additional time is required the cost will remain \$500 per day).

Course times/dates will be scheduled in cooperation with both remediant and faculty.

Upon satisfactory completion of the remediation process, a letter of completion will be presented to the remediant as well as copied to the TN BOD, verifying the number of hours that were completed and certifying objectives, at the level of competency, have been met. Documentation for all continuing education courses will be managed through the UTHSC College of Dentistry Office of Continuing Education.

Tennessee Board of Dentistry Dental Hygiene Remediation Worksheet

Name	Date	Reference #
Notes: _____		

Course content will be modified to comply with specified time requirements.

	Didactic	Lab	Clinic	Total hours
Pre- Patient:				
Head and Neck Anatomy				
Tooth Morphology				
Oral Pathology				
Periodontology				
Oral Radiology				
Dental Materials				
Patient Education and Preventive Protocols				
Ethics Review				
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Patient Care Documentation				
Medical History Review, Dental History Review				
Positioning				
Operatory Preparation and Set-up				
The Intraoral and Extraoral Exam				
Pharmacology Update				
Dental Hygiene Process of Care				
Instrumentation: Basic				
Explorers and Probes				
Curettes				
Universals				
Instrumentation: Advanced				
Extended shank				
After 5				
Minis				
Implant care				
Ultrasonics				
Air polishing				
Fluorides				

Radiography Skills/ Software Update FMX Bitewings Panoramic				
Dental Specialties/ Referrals				
Pediatric Dentistry Behavior Management Common Disorders & Conditions Trauma				
Treatment Planning and Fee Discussion				