



DENTAL HYGIENE BOARD OF CALIFORNIA DENTAL HYGIENE CLINICAL EXAMINATION INFORMATION

At the Board's August 29, 2020 Board meeting, the Board voted to temporarily accept the alternative manikin-based dental hygiene clinical examinations administered by WREB, CRDTS, and CDCA/ADEX until March 31, 2021, unless extended, to assist the class of 2020 students and address the COVID pandemic environment. At the March 6, 2021 Board meeting, the Board extended the temporary acceptance of the alternative manikin-based clinical examination until August 31, 2021 due to the continuing pandemic environment. At the July 17, 2021 Board meeting, the Board voted to extend the temporary acceptance of the alternative manikin-based dental hygiene clinical examination until July 1, 2022, unless extended, due to the continuing COVID environment. At the March 19, 2022 Board meeting, the Board once again voted to extend the temporary acceptance of the manikin-based clinical examinations until December 31, 2022, unless extended, due to the COVID environment. At the July 23, 2022, Board meeting, the Board extended the temporary acceptance of the exam until July 31, 2023.

In Summary, the temporary acceptance of the alternative manikin-based dental hygiene clinical examinations administered through CDCA/ADEX/WREB and CRDTS is from August 29, 2020, through July 31, 2023, unless extended, due to the COVID pandemic and is in addition to the continued acceptance of the live, patient-based dental hygiene clinical examinations administered through CRDTS and WREB only. The CDCA/ADEX live, patient-based clinical examination and OSCE were never considered for approval for licensure by the Board. Any alternative manikin-based dental hygiene clinical examinations completed outside of the approved timeline (i.e., prior to or after once discontinued) listed above will not be accepted for licensure since the Board did not accept and approve the examinations until August 29, 2020. If you have any questions, please contact the Board at 916-263-1978 or via email at dhbcinfo@dca.ca.gov

Thank you.

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