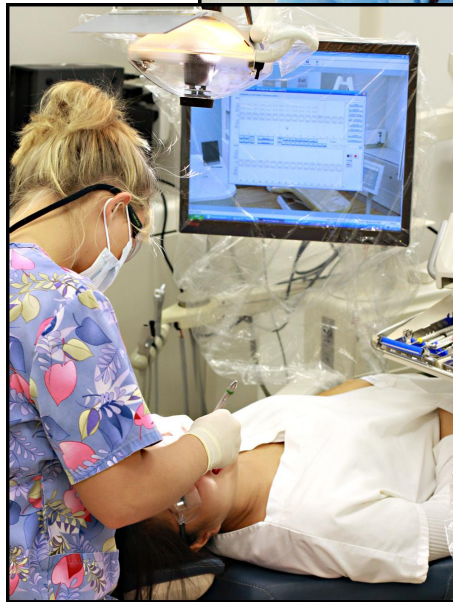




Dental Hygiene

Nationwide, dental hygiene is projected to be **one of the 30 fastest growing occupations**. Population growth and greater retention of natural teeth will stimulate demand for dental hygienists. Completion of the two-year Dental Hygiene program can prepare you for a challenging and rewarding career!



Would you like a job that provides:

Personal satisfaction?

Prestige?

Variety?

Creativity?

Flexibility?

Security?

Dental Hygiene may be the career for YOU!

100% of the employers who hired Coastal Carolina Community College dental hygiene graduates and responded to the Employer Survey stated that they would employ future Coastal graduates!

For more information, contact the Admissions Office at 910-938-6248.



Dental Hygiene Program

The Coastal Carolina Community College Dental Hygiene program is one of 270 programs accredited by the

Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association.



What does a hygienist do?

- Performs patient screening procedures
- Takes and develop x-rays
- Records the presence of diseases and abnormalities
- Removes hard and soft deposits from the teeth
- Applies preventive materials to the teeth (sealants and fluoride)
- Teaches patients appropriate oral hygiene strategies
- Counsels patients about good nutrition
- Performs office management activities

Education/Training/Employment

Dental hygienists take courses in liberal arts, basic sciences, dental sciences, and clinical sciences. Graduates receive an Associate in Applied Science Degree in Dental Hygiene that qualifies them for licensure. A dental hygienist must be licensed in each state where he/she works. For the past five years, the Coastal Carolina Community College Dental Hygiene program has had a 97% pass rate on the Dental Hygiene National Board and on State Board Exams.

Dental hygienists are in demand in general dental practices, specialty practices, public health clinics, military dental clinics and in dental schools. In some states, dental hygienists work in hospitals and nursing homes.