LOCAL ANAESTHESIA FOR DENTAL HYGIENISTS

Dental hygienists who are authorized and certified to administer local anesthesia (LA) in BC have the indication of “(C)” next to their license class. Successful completion of UBC’s Local Anaesthesia for Dental Hygienists course meets the BC College of Oral Health Professionals criteria to obtain a “(C)” certification. For further details, please check the BC College of Oral Health Professionals website at https://oralhealthbc.ca/

As a certification requirement, this is a NON-CREDIT Course.

UBC CDE’s Local Anaesthesia for Dental Hygienists program is a three and a half day course, designed to teach basic and current concepts of local anaesthesia, and administration of local anaesthetic agents. This course is comprised of two sessions. Participants practice on each other, therefore you must consent to receive local anaesthesia and related treatments or you must provide a consenting stand-in for your partner.

- Session I: September 28 and 29 (full days), consists of lectures, clinical instruction, and application of clinical techniques.
- Session II: October 18 (evening) and November 19 (full day), written and clinical evaluations.

PRACTICUM: During the interval between session I and session II participants must arrange to practice the techniques taught under personal supervision in a dental office. Further details regarding the practice period and supervision guidelines will be sent with your study guide.

If you are from out of province, it is your responsibility to make arrangements to complete your practicums in British Columbia or in a jurisdiction where dental hygienists may legally administer local anaesthetic agents. All participants must hold college required insurance.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

1. Describe head and neck anatomy related to the administration of local anaesthetic agents
2. Describe principles of pharmacology related to local anaesthetic agents and adrenergic drugs
3. Demonstrate the various techniques involved in the administration of local anaesthetic agents
4. Explain patient evaluation, complications and office emergencies as related to local anaesthesia

BC participants must be registered and in good standing with the BC College of Oral Health Professionals and must hold College required insurance. Out of province participants must hold a temporary (visitor) license from the BC College of Oral Health Professionals to attend this course and can apply at https://oralhealthbc.ca/

*Should a participant be unsuccessful on the exam/s (Oct. 18/19) a supplemental exam/s will be held on November 2nd, 2024.

CANCELLATION POLICY

$850 is non-refundable at any time. The balance of $845 is only refundable until August 26, 2024. NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER August 26, 2024. Registrants withdrawing prior to August 26, 2024 will be refunded less the non-refundable amount of $850. All fees are non-transferable. Continuing Dental Education at The University of British Columbia reserved the right to cancel courses if deemed necessary by low enrolment, instructor cancellation or other unforeseen issues. In the case of course cancellation, full refund will be issued.