

# Certified Public Health Dental Hygienist

## MICROCREDENTIAL



In partnership with the N.H. Division of Public Health Services Oral Health program, NHTI offers courses for dental hygienists like you who seek to become N.H. Certified Public Health Dental Hygienists (CPHDHs). To qualify as a CPHDH in N.H., you have to:

- Practice for 3,200 hours (1,600 within 2 years prior to certification).
- Be qualified in dental sealants.
- Complete specified courses within 4 years prior to certification.
- Register with, and submit proof of completion of all requirements to, the N.H. BODE.
- Receive certification from the N.H. BODE.

Refer to RSA 317-A:21-e and Den 302.07 at <http://www.oplc.nh.gov/>.

### CPHDH Course Requirements

#### Medical Records Management (Fall)

This required class meets once as a group; class requirements are then met through the individual completion of required online activities. The topics covered in class assist you to understand and comply with legal requirements to properly handle patient medical records. Key concepts of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), and N.H. law on client abuse are included. You will draft a privacy impact assessment (PIA) as part of your class work.

**CEUs: 8**

#### Infection Control in Alternative Settings (Fall)

This required course reviews infection control procedures through lecture and clinical activities. You will learn the latest protocols for proper asepsis in non-traditional settings and are encouraged to bring a portable dental

#### DELIVERY

5 required courses, 35.5 CEUs

#### MORE INFO

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unit. Clinic attire and safety glasses are required.

**CEUs: 4**

### **Medical Management in Public Health Dental Settings (Spring)**

This course addresses systemic conditions and diseases with an emphasis on dental hygiene treatment planning, the management of dental and medical emergencies in alternative settings, and pharmacology for common disease states.

**CEUs: 6**

### **Caries Stabilization (Spring)**

You will learn indications and contraindications to sealants and ITR placement and have the opportunity to place glass ionomer pit and fissure sealants and practice ITR placement. Evidence supporting this technique will be presented.

Space is limited; priority will be given to participants who have completed all other core courses leading to N.H. CPHDH qualification. This course has 4 didactic credits and 6 lab credits.

**CEUs: 10**

### **Evidence-Based Dentistry**

This course provides an overview of what the evidence-based dentistry approach has to offer clinicians striving to best meet patient needs and preferences. Working in the classroom and the computer lab, you will gain experience in quickly finding and appraising relevant evidence to a practice need.

**CEUs: 7.5**

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