

Program Physical Demands Analysis

Program	Dental Assisting Levels I and II (H915)	Date	June 25 2025
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STRENGTH STRENGTH							
	WEI	GHT	* FREQUENCY				
Physical Demands	Maximum (in lbs)	Usual (in lbs)	Never	Seldom	Minor	Required	Major
Lifting	30-150 lbs	2-5		\boxtimes			\boxtimes
Carrying	30 lbs	2-5		\boxtimes			
Pushing	30 lbs	2-5		\bowtie			
Pulling	30 lbs	2-5		\boxtimes			
Fine Finger Movements							
Handling							
Gripping							\boxtimes
Reaching (Above Shoulder)					\bowtie		
Reaching (Below Shoulder)					\boxtimes		
Foot Action (1 Foot)					\boxtimes		
Foot Action (2 Foot)			\boxtimes				

Comments:

-Assiting diasabled or child clients into the dental chair; -carrying vacuformer unit, curling lights, amalgamators, pre-set trays of instruments and other equipment to and from operatory; -pushing/pulling, mobile clinical cabinetry, radiology extension arm, swiveling main dental chair; -fine finger movements required for intra-oral skills, instrument transfers, material manipulation lab project fabrication (mouthguard, whitening trays etc.); -gripping during rubber dam placement, instrument tranfers, intra-oral instrument use; -reaching for and positioning of dental light; -reaching below for rheostat and its placement, operatory set-up and clean-up; -use of one foot to raise and lower dental chair and operation of rheostat

MOBILITY							
	* FREQUENCY						
Physical Demands	Never	Seldom	Minor	Required	Major		
Throwing	\bowtie						
Sitting					\times		
Standing				\times			
Walking			\times				
Running	\times						
Climbing	\boxtimes						
Bending/Stooping	\times						
Crouching							
Kneeling	\times						
Crawling	\boxtimes						
Twisting					\times		
Balancing	\times						
Comments:							

-sitting required while performing intra-oral skills, sitting on higher DA stool, posture is critical -standing for fluoride, impressions, x-ray and surgical procedures

WORK ENVIRONMENT							
	* FREQUENCY						
Physical Demands	Never	Seldom	Minor	Required	Major		
Inside Work					\boxtimes		
Outside Work	\boxtimes						
Hot/Cold	\boxtimes						
Humid/Dry	\boxtimes						
Dust		\boxtimes					
Vapour Fumes		\times					
Noise		\boxtimes					
Moving Objects			\times				
Hazardous Machines		\times					
Electrical	\boxtimes						
Sharp Tools etc.					\boxtimes		
Radiant/Thermal Energy				\times			
Slippery							
Congested Worksite					\times		
Comments:		•		•	•		

SENSORY / PERCEPTUAL							
	* FREQUENCY						
Physical Demands	Never	Seldom	Minor	Required	Major		
Hearing - Conversation					\boxtimes		
Hearing – Other Sounds				\times			
Vision – Far					\times		
Vision - Near					\times		
Vision - Colour							
Vision – Depth					\boxtimes		
Perception - Spatial					\times		
Perception – Form					\boxtimes		
Feeling							
Reading				\boxtimes			
Writing							
Speech					\times		
Comments:							

-client communication is critical for client education, instructions and general rapport with clients to relieve anxiety.

-vision is critical for comprehensive oral inspection, hard and soft tissue changes to include colour.

CONDITIONS OF WORK									
			* FREQUENCY						
Physical Demands		IACACI	Seldom	Minor	Required	Major			
Travelling		Г			\boxtimes				
Work Alone						\boxtimes			
Work Independent but in group						\boxtimes			
Deadline Pressures						\boxtimes			
Interact with Public						\bowtie			
Operate Equipment/ Machinery				\times					
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-Offsites are required during the program; -the program is hugely compressed $% \left(1\right) =0$ and deadlines are many within this 40 week program; client interaction is extremely important and constitutes a large percentage of a day. (public education, offsites etc.); operation of laboratory equipment is limited but necessary.

<u>Accessibility</u>						
Wheelchair accessible	⊠ yes	no				
Comments:						

Lab setting, gypsum product dust; acrylic resin fumes (minor); -amalgam (low mercury vapours); continual movement of mobile cabinetry; -use and maintenance of numerous sharp instruments; -daily use of x-radiation; -daily use of autoclaves and sterilization chemicals (ultrasonics, cold solutions etc); -operatory and lab spaces very tight ans confining

Students in this program are required to wear the following PPE: Glasses/goggles (with side shields), masks, gowns, face shields, gloves, closed toe and closed heel shoes, dosimeters.