



# SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

## DIVISION OF DENTAL HYGIENE

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Please do not call for interpretation of the Candidate Manual provided by the CDCA-WREB-CITA. Questions regarding the examination process (e.g., registration, availability, content, paperwork or forms, etc.) should be directed to CDCA-WREB-CITA. **DO NOT contact the school to ask about registering for the exam or for permission to test at their location.** All such questions and requests must be submitted to CDCA-WREB-CITA via [Contact Us](#).

- ☐ VISITOR PARKING: The University of New Mexico will provide parking passes at no charge during the exam. Please acquire your pass from the receptionist on the clinic side. Parking will be free for candidates and their patients. Handicap parking is available in front of the building and may be utilized if you or your patient has a valid handicap sticker. Candidates are asked not to park in spots marked handicapped or metered parking in (M) parking lot. All candidates and their patients should enter through the clinic doors as marked.

Campus Map: <https://css.unm.edu/campus-maps/index.html>

- ☐ FACILITY FEE COLLECTION

The facility fee will be collected by CDCA-WREB-CITA during candidate online registration.

Hygiene	\$180
Local Anesthesia	\$80

- ☐ DENTAL UNITS/HOOKUPS:

**Sonic/Ultrasonic Devices:** CDCA-WREB-CITA allows the use of sonic/ultrasonic devices as an adjunct to calculus removal. UNM's operatories are equipped for hookup of these devices.



All operatories are equipped to operate ultrasonic devices. The air pressure to each operator chair, and all the handpieces, are factory set at approximately 35 to 50 psi. Please ensure that your handpiece will operate effectively within these parameters.

**LIMITATIONS:** The two high-speed attachments can be used with most sonic scalers. Compatibility is not guaranteed or ensured by UNM. UNM utilizes the A-DEC Dental Chairs model 1021 Decade with a Cascade Handpiece Delivery System.

#### **Ultrasonic Scaling Unit Hookup**

Please familiarize yourself with the dental chairs and hook-up/connection features outlined in this section of the guide. Please note: Water hook-ups/connections for ultrasonic scaling units are standard A-DEC hook ups (please see the picture above).

- ☐ **RENTALS:** Ultrasonic units may be available for rent for \$50 with prior arrangements through the UNM CDCA-WREB-CITA Coordinator, Marina Sanchez at least one week prior to examination at [MariSanchez@salud.unm.edu](mailto:MariSanchez@salud.unm.edu).
- ☐ **DENTAL UNIT MALFUNCTIONS:** Report any equipment malfunctions to the Chief or CFE. A dental equipment repair technician or dispensary staff member will provide assistance as soon as possible.

#### ☐ **LOCAL ANESTHESIA:**

Local anesthetic cartridges/carpules and 20% benzocaine topical anesthetic gel is provided free of charge to all candidates. The brands of local anesthetic used/provided by UNM are generic brands that are 1.7 to 1.8 ml standard cartridges with the following concentrations: Lidocaine HCl 2% and Epinephrine 1:100,000, and Mepivacaine HCl 3% without vasoconstrictor. Disposable needlestick protection shields are provided by UNM free of charge.

If you are taking the anesthesia examination UNM does NOT provide locking hemostats, locking pliers, or anesthetic syringes for your examination so please plan accordingly. If you prefer to use a specific type of local anesthetic or topical anesthetic for your exam you are encouraged to bring it. Please refer to the current Local Anesthesia candidate guide(s) for applicable guidelines.

- **AIR/WATER SYRINGE:** Disposable air/water syringe tips are available and are provided under the school use fee.
- **STERILIZATION SERVICES:** Available on request but pick up time will be 24 hours after exam. Candidates retaking onsite will have their instruments sterilized prior to retake clinic entrance.
- Students are responsible for bringing their own blood pressure cuffs and stethoscope.

#### ☐ **INFECTION CONTROL:** Specific instructions (summarized) for infection control.

- **Local Anesthesia:** A caviwipe container is located at each cubicle bay. The following areas must be disinfected after the exam:
  - Operators chair
  - Patients chair
  - Dental light handles and switch

- All control switches for patient chairs
- All other operatory counter tops and edges
- Pens and pencils to be used in charting
- Sharps Disposal: Sharps containers are in each of the cubicles. Only needles and end caps may be placed in sharps container.

☐ **MEDICAL EMERGENCY PROTOCOL:**

All candidates should familiarize themselves with the location of the oxygen/emergency cart (medical emergency kit) and the first aid kit. During the examination, the emergency cart/first aid kit and the AED are located in the clinic and clearly marked.

**In the event of an emergency the procedure is:**

- Verbally notify the CDCA-WREB-CITA Floor Assistant, School Coordinator or Chief Examiner of the emergency.
- Make sure someone calls the local 9 -1-1 (notify EMS).

☐ **SUPPLIES PROVIDED IN CLINICS & SIM LABS:** A list of expendable materials supplied by the school for candidate use in the clinic and sim labs.

<b>APPENDIX A - Expendable Materials List</b>	
<b>To be supplied in sufficient quantities for all Candidates</b>	
<b>Dental Hygiene</b>	<b>Local Anesthesia</b>
2x2 gauze squares	2x2 gauze squares
Air/water syringe tips	Air/water syringe tips
Autoclave bags, small	Antimicrobial mouthwash
Autoclave bags, medium	Anesthetic(s)
Autoclave tape	Local anesthetic(s)
Barrier covers/tape	Topical anesthetic(s)
Cotton-tip applicators	Autoclave bags, small
Drinking cups	Autoclave bags, medium
Face masks	Autoclave tape
Facial tissue	Barrier covers/tape
Gloves	Cotton-tip applicators
Gloves, nonlatex (S, M, L, XL)	Drinking cups
Instrument trays	Face masks
Paper towels	Facial tissue
Prophy paste	Gloves
Sanitizing materials	Gloves, nonlatex (S, M, L, XL)
Soap	Instrument trays
Standard saliva ejectors	Paper towels
Surface disinfectant	Patient bib clips, disposable
Tray covers	Patient napkins/bibs
Trash bags	Prophy paste
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