

Coronal Polishing Requirements

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY.

Covid-19 has forced our course facilities to change their protocols in their facilities. Because of this, our policy of requiring participants to provide certain equipment and supplies will be **STRICTLY ENFORCED**. Arriving at the course without the required supplies and equipment will result in dismissal from the course and a refund will not be granted and transferring to another course date will not be an option. We have been lax on this requirement in the past but will be enforcing the requirement for the foreseeable future.

Handpiece Requirements

All dental assistants participating in the course are required to provide their own cordless low-speed handpiece (with charger) – **or** – a 4-hole air-driven, low-speed handpiece.

- One (1) handpiece required; (2) recommended.
- The handpiece should function at less than 20,000 rpm or have a gear reduction attachment.
- Handpieces and prophylaxis angles should be tested and in good working order prior to coming to the course.

Patient Requirements

You will need a patient for your exam on Sunday afternoon. Patients need to meet the following criteria:

- At least 20 natural teeth without crowns, fixed bridges, or decalcification (aka. decay)
- At least 16 years of age
- Cannot be in their first or third trimesters of pregnancy.
- Clinical examination patients **cannot be** current or previous dentists, dental assistants, or dental hygienists.
- In good general health.
- No orthodontic braces* (*Lingual arch wires are not recommended but will be accepted. Invisalign buttons are also acceptable.*)
- Completely free of calculus and heavy stain

You also need to be prepared to be a patient for clinical practice on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. If YOU do not meet the above patient requirements (w/ the exception of being a dental professional), you need to provide a practice patient to take your place Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. Your practice patient **CANNOT be your clinical exam patient**. Unlike your exam patient, your practice patient can be a dentist, dental assistant, or dental hygienist. (**if you have braces and do not mind being practiced on Saturday afternoon, you will only need a practice patient for Sunday morning's practice session*).

Supply Requirements

All dental assistants must bring the following supplies with them to the course:

- Slow-speed handpiece** (see "Handpiece Requirements" above).
- Four (4) disposable prophylaxis angles – OR –
Two (2) sterile prophylaxis angles using soft and flexible prophylaxis cups may also be used.
- N95/KN95 Facemasks** (see "Mask Requirements" above)
- Four (4) tapered prophylaxis brushes
- Dental floss or tape
- Napkins & napkin clips
- Exam gloves (several)
- Surgical masks for yourself and your patient
- Two new toothbrushes
- Safety glasses for yourself and your patient
- Disposable Protective gowns