

New York University College of Dentistry CDCA Dental Hygiene Candidate Handbook

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Welcome to NYU College of Dentistry

The faculty and staff of NYUCD realize clinical boards are inherently stressful, especially when applicants are working in an unfamiliar clinic. It is our sincere hope that the following information, which has been prepared to help assist dental hygiene candidates for the Commission on Dental Competency Assessments (CDCA) administered ADEX Dental Hygiene Exam, will help make your time with us as smooth as possible. **If you have additional questions after reading this information sheet please contact us at ldk1@nyu.edu, or visit our website ([www.nyu.edu/dental hygiene programs](http://www.nyu.edu/dental_hygiene_programs)) for more information.**

- 1. All Visitors must comply with any NYU COVID-19 protocols and visitor requirements in place at the time of the exam, which will be communicated in advance by the school coordinator Prof Lorilei Kirby, once you are registered for our site.**
- 2. The candidate Q&A session will be held via Zoom and most likely be held at 6pm on Thursday evening before the exam.**
- 3. The Dental Hygiene ADEX Exam at NYUCD is Manikin Only at this time**
- 4. There will be no tours of the facility before the exam date**

NYUCD is located at 345 East 24th street, just off 1st Avenue.

TRAVEL and HOUSING ARRANGEMENTS

Most major subway lines stop at 23 Street in Manhattan take 1, 2, 6, C, E, or F to 23rd Street.

You can then take the M23 crosstown bus to 23rd street and 1st Avenue and cross 1st Ave and walk 1 block to 24th street.

Take the L train to 14th street and 1st Ave. Take M15 Bus to 24 Street

Dental Hygiene Program Offices are located on the 6th floor.

The exam will take place in clinic 5S (5th Floor).

There is a \$150 site fee.

Once you are registered to take your exam at NYUCD, you will receive a link for payment.

Please pay by Debit or Credit Card only.

All instruments, disposables, ultrasonic units and inserts are included in the \$150 site fee.

1. Airline and Airport Information

[JFK Airport](#)

<https://www.airport-jfk.com/>

Guide to *John F. Kennedy International Airport* (JFK) serving the city of New York and New Jersey - Arrivals, departures, delays, terminals, car rental, hotels, transportation, maps.

[LaGuardia Airport \(LGA\)](#)

<https://www.airport-laguardia.com/>

Guide to *LaGuardia International Airport* (LGA) - All the important information to plan your trip: Arrivals, departures, car rental, hotels, delays, transportation, maps.

2. Chauffeured Ground transportation

Transportation via van, Taxi, or bus is available from the airport.

Rental Car Information

Rental Cars

Alamo
Avis
Dollar
National
Enterprise

3. Driving – FDR to 23rd street

Download [Google Maps](#)

<https://maps.google.com/>

4. Hotel/Motel Accommodations

Please contact Prof Kirby for updated accommodation information if needed

5. ATMs

NYUCD LOBBY

Chase Bank (23rd and 1st Ave)

Food

Mikes Pizza

2nd Ave and 24th street

McDonalds

East 23 Street between 1st and 2nd Ave

Orion Diner

East 23rd Street and 2nd Ave

Starbucks

Corner of 1st Avenue and East 23 Street

6. Garage or Street Parking Only

Parking Garages

25 street between first and second Ave

24 street between 2nd and third ave

24 street between Lexington and Park ave

7. NYU College of Dentistry Security 212-998-9828

New York University College of Dentistry

1. Building and Access Hours:

NYU College of Dentistry will open from 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on examination days during the exam.

2. Food and Beverage Services:

NYUCD has vending machines available on the 3rd floor.

There are restaurants and fast food establishments located within one (1) mile of the campus if you wish to purchase food. However, food or drink are not allowed in any areas near the candidate clinics or check in desk during the examination.

3. Registration and Identification Badges

Numbered badges/Stick on Tags issued to candidates (by CDCA at registration) will serve as your I.D. throughout the examination. The badge must be worn at all times while in the building. Badges **must be turned in** at the completion of the examination(s) as a part of the checkout procedure with CDCA.

4. Parking:

There is no Facility Parking available

Preparing for the Clinical (Manikin) Examination at NYUCD

Each candidate will be assigned a numbered operatory that corresponds to his or her 3 digit sequential number. This assignment is posted outside of clinic 5S, to the right of the doors. Each operatory is equipped with one dental chair, one delivery unit equipped with air/water syringe, and one operator's stool. All equipment malfunctions that take place during the examination should be immediately reported to the NYUCD Site Coordinator.

Emergency Equipment and Preparedness for Medical Emergency

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 first aid kit is located in the supply area of the clinic. The AED are located on each floor in the hallway by double doors between the Weisman and Schwartz Buildings (See CDCA Floor Plan). **In the event of an emergency, the procedure is:**

- Contact security 212-998-9828 which will activate emergency system and 9-1-1 (notify EMS).
- Administer oxygen (O₂) from the green oxygen cylinder located in the supply area of the clinic as needed.
- Administer Basic Life Support (BLS) until EMS arrive.

During the Board

All candidates may use NYU College of Dentistry instruments which will be provided or may bring personal, sterilized instruments in a plastic, puncture proof container.

Candidates will be given a sterilized SRP Cassette, ultrasonic unit, universal and right/left ultrasonic inserts.

The cassette includes, basic set-up with UNC 12 periodontal probe and 11/12 explorer , SH5/33 anterior sickle scaler, Columbia 13/14, Gracey 3/4, 11/12, 13/14, 15/16, 17/18, and Nevi Scaler

1. Sonic/Ultrasonic Devices.



- NYUCD features magnetostrictive ultrasonic scaling units with a 30K lavage knob for
- lavage control/adjustment. The lavage knob accepts Dentsply® Cavitron® Brand/Type 30K TFI, P, SLI, and FSI ultrasonic inserts.
- Some units have integrated ultrasonics attached to the handpiece/control area of the bracket tray
- An equipment technician is available on the clinic floor throughout the exams should there be any issue.

2. Infection Control/Asepsis Requirements

a. Surface Asepsis

- Handles of the unit light, bracket tray handles and chair controls must be covered with blue plastic barrier wrap. The bracket tray should be covered with a plastic bracket tray bag, and the chair should be draped with a plastic chair cover.
- The patient chair, dental unit, counter tops, and operator stool should be disinfected with disinfectant spray or wipes.
- Disinfectant spray/ wipes, plastic/barrier headrest and chair covers and plastic/barrier wrap are provided by NYUCD for all candidates free of charge.
- Disposable plastic overgloves are available (free of charge) for candidates
 - Candidates must furnish their own sturdy utility gloves (nitrile preferred) if desired to be worn when handling or packaging dirty instruments through (or to and from) the candidate clinic area. Regular clinic, nitrile gloves may also be used. These are supplied.
 - Universal infection control guidelines and Personal Protective Equipment (P.P.E.) and guidelines should be observed during the CDCA exam at NYUCD. This includes standard OSHA and operating procedures

b. Personnel Protective Equipment

- Appropriate protective equipment (which includes disposable gowns, head covers, and face shields) is provided/available by NYUCD (free of charge) and must be worn in all operatory/treatment area.
- Disposable gloves, surgical masks, N95 masks, face shield and gowns will be available on the clinic floor free of charge during the examinations.
- Candidates must provide their own OSHA-acceptable protective glasses.
- Loops may be worn

c. Hazardous Waste

- i. Sharps: All needles, anesthetic cartridges, and any potential sharps are to be placed in the red plastic sharps containers located throughout the NYUCD clinic.

d. Sterilization

There is no sterilization procedures available for outside candidate instruments

3. Disposable Items:

All of the following items are expendable materials and are provided free of charge by NYUCD to all candidates.

- Surface disinfection spray
- Barrier materials & tape
- Bracket tray covers
- Red biohazard bags
- Chair covers
- Barrier tape (roll)
- Tray covers/Barriers
- Styrofoam instrument trays
- Overgloves
- HVE Tips
- Disposable bib clips
- Non-latex gloves (S-XL)
- Air water syringe tips (plastic)
- Facial tissue
- Patient napkins
- Standard saliva ejectors
- Face mask, Surgical and N95, Face Shields
- Cotton rolls
- Soap (liquid)
- 2 x 2 gauze squares
- Paper towels
- Prophy paste
- Sanitizing materials

Disposable Air/Water Syringe Tips

NYUCD provides and uses disposable air/water syringe tips for the examination.

4. Other Limitations

NYU College of Dentistry is a Latex Free Facility

The Clinical Exam is in Clinic 5S on the 5th floor of NYUCD

We hope that this guide has been helpful and that your examination experience at New York University College of Dentistry will be a pleasant one. Good luck on your examination!

We look forward to seeing you soon, and helping to make your exam process as stress free as possible.

Sincerely
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