

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT POLICY

It is the policy of the Dental Assisting Program that all students, faculty, and staff involved in the direct supervision of patient care be certified in Basic Life Support Procedures, including cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

Students must be certified on an annual basis in order to comply with accreditation standards and national board certification policies.

Students entering the Dental Assisting Program must be currently certified and be able to provide documentation of certification. Additionally, Basic Life Support (BLS) certification must remain current while matriculating through the program.

Dental Assisting students involved in provision of patient care must be certified at intervals not to exceed every two years. Verification of current certification status for students is mandatory and will be copied and kept in student's files.

The Dental Assisting National Board (DANB) and the Martin Community College Dental Assisting Program will only accept approved CPR certification. Other organizations or levels will not be accepted. Candidates and/or students must complete a CPR course offered by a DNAB approved national or international provider that includes but written and hands-on skills assessment.

Student will provides to the Dental Assisting Program Director a photocopy of their current CPR certification card (back and front) that is valid. Acceptable CPR certifications can come from the organizations listed below:

- American Environmental Health & Safety
- American Heart Association
- American Red Cross
- American Safety & Health Institute
- Canadian Red Cross
- Emergency Care & Safety Institute
- Emergency First Response
- Emergency Medical Training Associates
- Emergency University
- EMS Safety Services
- Medic First Aid
- Medical Training Associates
- Military Training Network
- National Safety Council (Green Cross)
- ProCPR
- Saudi Heart Association