Course Prefix and Number: DNA 113
Course Title: Chairside Assisting I

Course Description: Provides instruction on the principles of clinical chairside dental assisting, dental equipment use and maintenance, safety, instrument identification, tray set-ups by procedures, and patient data collection. Emphasizes patient management during restorative procedures. Prerequisite: Completion of courses in the Pre-Dental Assisting Career Studies Certificate. Prerequisites or Co-requisites: DNA 100, DNA 103, DNA 108, DNA 109, and DNA 110. Lecture 2 hours. Laboratory 3 hours. Total 5 hours per week.

General Course Purpose: DNA 113 prepares the student to assist with four-handed dentistry techniques, manipulate materials, and to prepare for patient treatment.

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:
Prerequisite: Completion of courses in the Pre-Dental Assisting Career Studies Certificate
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Course Objectives:
Upon completing the course, the student will be able to
a. Explain why it is important to have a complete up-to-date medical history;
b. Demonstrate the clinical examination;
c. Chart the conditions of a patient's mouth using color-coding;
d. List and explain the six types of classification of cavities;
e. Help with treatment planning;
f. Identify the three types of delivery systems;
g. Give the guidelines for selection of various types of dental equipment;
h. Demonstrate how to care for and operate dental equipment;
i. Explain the classifications of motions and demonstrate the criteria for proper positioning;
j. Properly demonstrate four-handed techniques;
k. Demonstrate how to manipulate and control all clinical materials while assisting a procedure;
l. Demonstrate how to properly handle and suction out a patient's mouth using a HVE tip;
m. Describe the different hand pieces and their use;
n. Demonstrate how to lubricate a hand piece and attach the bur;
o. List the instrument and steps in an amalgam and composite procedures;
p. Identify at least fifty (50) restorative instruments and give their use;
q. Demonstrate how to properly place a rubber dam in different quadrants; and
r. Explain the clock concepts of operating zones.

Major Topics to Be Included:
a. Delivery of dental treatment
b. Oral diagnosis and treatment planning
c. Dental instruments and accessories
d. Restorative and cosmetic dentistry
e. Moisture control

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