

Download Oral Pathology For The Dental Hygienist

Dental Hygienist Education and Training Requirements Education/Training & Admission Requirements. Dental hygienists receive their education through academic programs at community colleges, technical colleges, dental schools or universities. Dental hygienists are recognized as licensed dental health professionals in every US jurisdiction. This means that to practice as a dental hygienist, all interested candidates must start by qualifying for state licensure through their state board of dentistry. According to recent statistics, the job outlook for dental professionals is exceptionally bright. In fact, the Dental Assistant National Board (DANB) recently reported that dental assisting is among the top 25 fastest growing professions in the United States, while the American Dental Association identified dental hygiene as being among the top 30 fastest growing professional fields in the U.S. Dental Hygienist Education Requirements. All states require dental hygienists to be licensed, though the specific requirements vary. That said, the minimum level of education you need to earn your license in any state is an associate's degree. Depending on your career goals, you might choose to pursue a bachelor's or master's degree.