

Acceptable Regional Examinations for Dentistry

Dentists

Pursuant to Dentistry Administrative Rule R 338.11201, starting April 26, 2022, applicants by examination must pass all parts, written and clinical, of the American Board of Dental Examiners, Inc (ADEX) clinical examination offered by the following regional testing agencies:

- Commission on Dental Competency Assessments (CDCA)
- Council of Interstate Testing Agencies (CITA)
- Western Regional Examining Board (WREB)

Starting April 26, 2022, applicants by endorsement must pass all parts, written and clinical, of one of the following clinical examinations:

- Commission on Dental Competency Assessments (CDCA)
- Council of Interstate Testing Agencies (CITA) – ADEX exam
- Western Regional Examining Board (WREB)
 - On February 10, 2022, the Board of Dentistry determined that the WREB examination is substantially equivalent to the ADEX examination, pursuant to R 338.11255 of the Dentistry Administrative Rules.

The examination must include the following parts:

- Computer-based diagnostic skills examination objective structured clinical examination (DSE OSCE)
- Endodontic portion
- Fixed prosthodontic portion
- Periodontic/scaling – live patient OR manikin
- Restorative (also called operative) posterior AND anterior portion – live patient OR manikin

Note: If a dentist applicant has been licensed in another state for at least 5 years that required passage of a regional or state exam, the applicant must show completion of that exam and does not need to meet the requirements described above. Examples of acceptable exams in this situation, in addition to the exams described above, include CRDTS, SRTA, or a state clinical examination.

Dental Hygienists

Pursuant to Dentistry Administrative Rule R 338.11221, starting April 26, 2022, applicants by examination must pass all parts, written and clinical, of the American Board of Dental Examiners, Inc (ADEX) clinical examination offered by the following regional testing agencies:

- Commission on Dental Competency Assessments (CDCA)
- Council of Interstate Testing Agencies (CITA)
- Western Regional Examining Board (WREB)

Starting April 26, 2022, applicants by endorsement must pass all parts, written and clinical, of one of the following clinical examinations:

- Commission on Dental Competency Assessments (CDCA)
- Council of Interstate Testing Agencies (CITA) – ADEX exam
- Western Regional Examining Board (WREB)
 - On February 10, 2022, the Board of Dentistry determined that the WREB examination is substantially equivalent to the ADEX examination, pursuant to R 338.11259 of the Dentistry Administrative Rules.

The examination must include the following parts:

- Computer simulated clinical exam (CSCE OSCE)
- Patient OR manikin treatment clinical exam

Note: If a dental hygienist applicant has been licensed in another state for at least 3 years that required passage of a regional or state exam, the applicant must show completion of that exam and does not need to meet the requirements described above. Examples of acceptable exams in this situation, in addition to the exams described above, include CRDTS, SRTA, or a state clinical examination.