Advanced Professional Certificate for Expanded Function Dental Hygiene in Pediatrics

For Registered Dental Hygienist and Graduates from the UH Manoa Bachelor of Science Dental Hygiene Program

Program Description

The EFDH Certificate Program is a specialized professional Dental Hygiene Program that builds upon the knowledge and clinical experiences of Registered Dental Hygienists in the State of Hawaii and graduates of the UH Manoa Dental Hygiene Bachelor of Science Program. The EFDH Certificate Program enhances and expands the knowledge and skills of licensed dental hygienists who care for pediatric dental hygiene patients.

The EFDH Certificate Program is open to Registered Dental Hygienists and graduates from the UH Mānoa Bachelor of Science Dental Hygiene Program. Students accepted into the program must pass their State and National dental hygiene board certifications prior to entering the fall semester classes. It is highly recommended that students talk to a program contact before graduation to discuss the program. Registered Dental Hygienists may also apply to the program and will be admitted on a space available basis.
Fast Facts

- Outstanding faculty committed to advancing health care delivery.
- Full-time program completion in 2 semesters.
- Program includes 360 hours of hands-on pediatric clinical hours in community settings.
- Individual academic advising and support throughout the program.
- Tuition support for qualified applicants.

Program Outcomes

The graduate of the EFDH program is prepared to:

- perform health assessments to include medical history, dental history, weight, height and BMI
- provide oral health and nutritional education to children and families
- understand the growth and development of children in relationship to their oral health needs
- gain advanced skills and dental hygiene training working with children and families

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Contact for applicants to the Advanced Professional Certificate for Expanded Function Dental Hygiene in Pediatrics
Contact for applicants to the dental hygiene high school direct entry program and bachelors of science program. Also, contact for enrolled dental hygiene students.

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