REQUIREMENTS for Acceptance into Dental Assisting:

1. A completed admissions application to the program.
2. An official copy of a high school transcript or GED, including date of graduation.
3. Demonstrate competency in MATH 0500 through a standardized (Accuplacer) test score of 65 or above for the Arithmetic section, issued by CCRI through the Office of Advising and Counseling, OR completion of MATH 0500: Arithmetic with a grade of C or better.
4. English placement test results must show readiness to take ENGL 1010: Composition I, OR applicant must have completed ENGL 1005: College Writing with a grade of C or better. ENGL 1300 will not substitute for ENGL 1010.
5. Completion of a standardized test (Accuplacer) issued by CCRI through the Office of Advising and Counseling is required. Competency of 80 or above is required on the Reading Comprehension test, or completion of ENGL 0890: Critical Reading with a grade of B or better. Students may NOT retake the Accuplacer test before completing the course.
6. Completion of DENT 1000: Introduction to Dental Health Careers with a final course grade of C or better is required. Students who have taken DHYG 1000: Introduction to Dental Hygiene with a final course grade of C or better are exempt from DENT 1000.
7. A cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or better for all college courses taken.

The above requirements must be completed satisfactorily BEFORE an applicant can be considered for acceptance. Applicant list standing does not constitute admission to program. At the time of admission, students must meet current program admission requirements. Students declining acceptance into the program for the semester offered must reapply to the program and meet the current admission requirements. Once accepted into Dental Assisting, the student must attend a mandatory orientation conducted by the Dental Health Department.

POLICIES FOLLOWING ACCEPTANCE INTO THE DENTAL ASSISTING PROGRAM:

- Individuals who disclose the presence of bloodborne infectious disease will be shown the same consideration as non-infected individuals and will be offered reasonable accommodation. Information regarding health status of an individual is considered confidential, and protected by the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.

- Students are required to have a criminal background check conducted by the college through the Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI). In compliance with the requirements for clinical agencies, anyone who has been convicted of a felony may be unable to attend clinical/field experience in those agencies. No incident or probation can have occurred within the past five years. Further, applicants convicted of a felony will need to comply with state licensure requirements from the Rhode Island Department of Health. For more information contact the Department Chairperson.

- Must have a physical examination and required immunizations completed.

- Current CPR card (American Heart Association, Health Care Provider level) obtained through an AHA recognized community training center (course is also available at CCRI, HEAL 0200).

PLEASE NOTE: REQUIREMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

- [www.ccri.edu](http://www.ccri.edu)
- Jude Tomasino, Office of Enrollment Services, at the Flanagan Campus, 401-333-7317 or jatomasino@ccri.edu
- If more specific information is needed, Donna Medas Patton, Director, Dental Assisting Program, 401-333-7220.

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