

Public Notice: Invitation for Third-Party Comments Regarding the Dental Assisting and Dental Hygiene Programs

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The dental assisting and dental hygiene programs of Cerritos College are seeking continuing accreditation through the American Dental Association's **Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA)**, the sole agency recognized by the U. S. Department of Education to accredit dental and dental-related education programs presented at the post-secondary level.

The program is engaged in a thorough self-study process designed to ensure the quality of the educational programs. A team of CODA reviewers will be conducting a site visit **November 12-14, 2024**, to meet with college administration, program faculty, students, and community partners.

Third-party comments are sought regarding the dental assisting and dental hygiene programs from faculty, students, patients, administrators, dental professionals, and the community at large.

All comments must be related to the CODA Dental Assisting and Dental Hygiene Accreditation Standards, or the CODA Policies and Procedures used in the Commission accreditation process. These documents may be accessed at <https://coda.ada.org/> or by calling CODA. Comments must be received by CODA via email or phone no later than **September 13, 2024**. CODA email addresses and phone numbers are listed on the CODA staff webpage: <https://coda.ada.org/about-coda/coda-staff>.

Signed or unsigned comments will be accepted, and names and/or signatures will be removed from comments prior to forwarding them to the program. Comments will be referred to the program at least 50 days prior to the site visit for review and response. Negative comments received after the established deadline of 60 days before the site visit will be handled as a complaint.



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