

DENTAL ASSISTING PROGRAM

Third party Comment Procedure

The Commission on Dental Accreditation requests written comments from interested parties in the spring semester to place in the Accreditation Announcements on the ADA website. All comments relative to the San Diego Mesa College's Dental Assisting Program will be due in the Commission office no later than sixty (60) days prior to their site visit to allow time for the dental assisting program to respond.

San Diego Mesa College's Dental Assisting Program engages in continuous and systematic evaluation and improvement. We welcome your comments, suggestions, ideas and constructive criticism as part of our accreditation process. The third-party comment process provides a voice for current and prospective students, employees and other affiliated persons, including individuals in the community who do not have a formal affiliation with the College are welcome to provide comments according to the following policies set by the Commission on Dental Accreditation:

1. All comments submitted must pertain only to the American Dental Association **Commission on Dental Accreditation Standards** relative to the particular program being reviewed or policies and procedures used in the accreditation process. Comments will be screened by Commission staff for relevancy. Only signed comments will be considered. For comments not relevant to these issues, the individual will be notified that the comment is not related to accreditation and, where appropriate, referred to the appropriate agency. For those individuals who are interested in submitting comments, requests may be made to the Commission office.
2. All relevant comments will have signatures removed and will then be referred to the program at least fifty (50) days prior to the site visit for review and response. A written response from the program should be provided to the Commission office and the visiting committee fifteen (15) days prior to the site visit. Adjustments may be necessary in the site visit schedule to allow discussion of comments with proper personnel. Negative comments received after the established deadline of sixty (60) days prior to the site visit will be handled as a complaint.
3. A copy of the appropriate accreditation standards and/or the Commission's policy on third-party comments may be obtained by contacting the Commission at 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611, or by calling 1/800-621-8099, extension 4653.

INSTITUTION: San Diego Mesa College

PROGRAM(S) TO BE REVIEWED: Dental Assisting Program

SITE VISIT DATE: February 28 & March 1, 2019

60-DAY DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF COMMENTS IN THE COMMISSION OFFICE:

(Commission on Dental Accreditation, 211 E. Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611)