

NOTICE OF SCHEDULED SITE VISIT

for the Bellingham Technical College Dental Hygiene Program by the Commission on Dental Accreditation

The United States Department of Education (USDE) procedures require accrediting agencies to provide an opportunity for third-party comment, either in writing or at a public hearing with respect to institutions or programs scheduled for review. The Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) will be conducting a site visit for review of the Dental Hygiene and Dental Assisting Programs at Bellingham Technical College Oct. 7 and 8, 2025.

Interested parties may submit third-party comments related to accreditation standards for the programs and the required accreditation policies, using the following comment guidelines:

- All comments related to the program must be submitted no later than sixty (60) days prior to the scheduled site visit.
- All comments submitted must pertain only to the standards relative to the program being reviewed or to policies and procedures used in the accreditation process.
- All comments must be made directly to the Commission's office via email and should not be sent via US Postal Service. Submission guidance should be directed to the Commission.
- All comments will be screened by Commission staff for relevancy. Signed or unsigned comments will be considered.
- All relevant comments will have names and/or signatures removed and will then be referred to the program at least fifty (50) days prior to the site visit for review and response.
- 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.
- A copy of the appropriate accreditation standards and/or the Commission's policy on third-party comments may be obtained by contacting the Commission by calling 1-312- 440-4653 or by email.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) may be reached at: coda.ada.org

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