



Do the Right Thing: Ethics and Jurisprudence for Dental Professionals

Dental professionals are responsible for delivering patient care within established ethical guidelines and legal regulations governing their practice. This course explores key ethical principles, professional conduct, and legal requirements for dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistants. Topics include the ADA Code of Ethics, state dental board regulations, and the appropriate delegation of duties to dental assistants and hygienists.

Course Objectives

Upon completing this course, participants will be able to:

- Navigate and interpret state dental board rules and regulations.
- Differentiate between tasks that may be delegated to dental assistants and hygienists.
- Identify duties permissible for unlicensed dental assistants.
- Recognize potential legal and professional consequences of violating dental practice regulations.

This course is customizable for individual state dental board rules.