SPRINGFIELD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Course Number:	DAST 201	Department:	Dental Assistant			
Course Title:	Dental Sciences 2	Semester:	Spring	Year:	1998	

Objectives/Competencies

Course Objective	Competencies
1. Identify the various disease entities that can influence the	1. Interpret obtained facts through review, identification,
dental treatment of the medically compromised patient.	definition and explanation.
2. State the role of the dental auxiliary with medical	
emergencies that can occur within the dental practice.	
3. Demonstrate skills that apply to procedures utilized for	
Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Artificial Ventilation.	
4. List life threatening emergencies and identify the	
classifications of cardiac and non-cardiac conditions which	
require medical care during an emergency.	
5. Determine the value of the medical history, physical	
examination and dialogue as a preventive measure to	
reduce acute medical emergencies in the dental office.	
6. Demonstrate skill and knowledge in recording blood	
pressure, pulse rate, respiration and temperature.	
7. Identify the importance of effectively managing team	
emergency care training during life threatening situations.	
8. List and identify emergency drugs and equipment available	
to dental offices for emergency care management of a	

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patient.	
9. Identify drug related emergencies that require diagnosis	
and appropriate therapy.	
10. Discuss various pharmacological agents utilized in	
emergency care treatment of the dental patient.	
11. State the factors that standardize the administration of	
local and general anesthesia in the dental office.	
12. List the clinical signs and symptoms of drug overdose	
reactions.	
13. Identify the terms associated with drug effects and	
pharmacological agents.	
14. Differentiate between normal and abnormal tooth	
structure.	
15. Describe the major pathological conditions seen in the	
mouth.	
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 16. Recognize the symptoms of injury, inflammation and repair. 17. Discuss the various tissue changes occurring from systemic and/or pathological conditions. 18. Recognize certain pathological conditions which may occur in the patient's oral cavity as a result of physical or chemical injuries. 19. Recognize disease entities, their causes and effects. 20. Recall the theory of neoplasms. 21. Describe the seven warning signs of cancer. 22. Describe the seven ways of preventing oral cancer. 23. Describe the degenerative disease of the oral tissue. 	

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24. Educate the patient in oral health care, keeping in mind	
that specific birth defects cause different manifestations to	
occur in the oral cavity.	
25. Educate the patient in oral health care, keeping in mind	
that specific systemic diseases cause different	
manifestations to occur in the oral cavity.	
26. Formulate suggestions for counseling patients with special	
needs and/or problems.	