Dental - Community Oral Health (DCOH)

DCOH 708 Health Promotion S
Activity: Seminar
0.25 Credit Hours

DCOH 709 Health Promotion II Spring
This course provides students with both seminars and clinical experiences in order to gain additional knowledge, skills and values to develop competency in health promotion activities. Seminars are scheduled throughout the third year and include the following topics: risk assessment for caries, periodontal diseases and oral cancer; customized oral health promotion plans to address risks and promote health; health promotion care with dentures and implants; modifying health promotion for patients with physical, developmental and emotional disabilities. Discussions also focus on communication to meet the different social and cultural needs of patients. Clinical experiences in the Primary Care Units and Community Clinics provide students with opportunities to develop skills and competencies related to health promotion. Oral health promotional activities are an integral part of the care students provide with their patients. Students complete a Caries and Periodontal Risk Assessment with each patient and provide customized oral health promotional services periodically throughout treatment. Students provide fluoride treatments, tobacco counseling and nutritional counseling as appropriate for their patients. In addition, edentulous patients receive special advice regarding mouth care, denture care and oral cancer self-examination procedures. Students must record the completion of health promotion procedures in Axium using appropriate codes to document completion of required clinical activities. In addition, students must record the completion of appropriate health promotion activities on the clinical charts.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
0.25 Credit Hours

DCOH 712 Community Oral Health
Activity: Clinic
6.0 Credit Hours

DCOH 785 Practice Management
Practice Management Lectures and seminars provide students with foundation knowledge regarding career planning and policies and procedures related to employment and business management in dental practice.
Activity: Lecture
0.25 Credit Hours

DCOH 808 Health Promotion
Health Promotion Clinical experiences provide students with the opportunity to apply knowledge and develop competencies related to oral health promotion and disease prevention activities with individual patients in the clinics at Penn Dental Medicine.
Activity: Clinic
0.25 Credit Hours

DCOH 809 Health Promotion Practicum II
Health Promotion Clinical experiences provide students with the opportunity to apply knowledge and develop competencies related to oral health promotion and disease prevention activities with individual patients in the clinics at Penn Dental Medicine.
Activity: Clinic
0.25 Credit Hours

DCOH 812 Community Oral Health
Community Oral Health Experiences in alternate oral health care delivery settings provide students with the opportunity to develop and expand their skills in providing comprehensive oral health care in community based settings under the direct supervision of faculty members. Students are scheduled in the mobile dental vehicle, PennSmiles, and are also scheduled at Community Volunteers in medicine, a community based medical and dental treatment facility in West Chester, PA. Students attend small group seminars to discuss their experiences and theoretical underpinnings of community oral health activities.
Activity: Clinic
4.0 Credit Hours

DCOH 885 Practice Management II
Activity: Lecture
1.0 Credit Hour