**Regional and State Clinical Examination Requirements – Updates for 2023**

The Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry (Board) requires applicants for licensure in dentistry and dental hygiene to submit proof of a passing score on one of the following examinations:

* ADEX (as administered by CDCA-WREB and CITA) \*\*
* Florida State Board of Dental Examiners
* Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners
* Central Regional Dental Testing Service (CRDTS) **if taken prior to July 1, 2009**
* Southern Regional Testing Agency (SRTA) **if taken between Jan. 1, 2013 and Aug. 9, 2015**

**OR**

Successful completion of the CDCA DSE (Diagnostic Skills Exam) for dentists or the CDCA CSCE (Computer Simulated Clinical Exam) for dental hygienists **plus** the successful completion (a minimum score of 75% on EACH SECTION) of a Board-recognized state clinical examination OR a clinical examination administered by one of the following:

* Central Region Dental Testing Service (CRDTS) **if taken on or after July 1, 2009**
* Southern Regional Testing Agency (SRTA) **if taken prior to Jan. 1, 2013 or after Aug. 9, 2015**
* Southern Regional Testing Agency (SRTA) **Dental Hygiene Exam**

\*\* Licensure applicants submitting ADEX **dental** exam scores: the Board will accept a passing score on the manikin-based operative section of the CDCA-WREB and CITA exams as an alternative to a passing score on the traditional patient-based operative exam. For the 2023 exam cycle, the Board will require a candidate taking an ADEX exam to challenge the optional periodontics and prosthodontics sections.

\*\* Licensure applicants submitting ADEX **dental hygiene** exam scores: the Board will accept a passing score on the manikin-based CDCA-WREB and CITA dental hygiene clinical competency exams as an alternative to the traditional patient-based exam.

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