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## 2009 Alabama Dental Hygiene Program Instructor Certification Course

At its meeting held December 4-5, 2008, the Board of Dental Examiners of Alabama revised the method for obtaining Alabama Dental Hygiene Program Instructor Certification to allow **certification through distance learning at no cost. Effective February 15, 2009 until May 30, 2009**, the certification will be available on request through completion of a correspondence course. **No lecture course will be offered** this year; therefore the Academy of General Dentistry's previous CE approval code for this course will no longer apply due to the significant restructure of the course. Certification will be **valid for three years** from the date of issuance. **Two hours of continuing education credit** is earned through completion of the course, the hours being valid based on the provisions for distance learning as found in Rule 270-X-4.04.

### Course Components

Resource materials and examination will be provided on request.

1. After February 15, 2009, request resource materials and examination from the Board.
2. Study and review of the ADHP Instructor Certification Manual.
2. Study and review of the Rules of the Board as applied to the ADHP.
3. Watch the 2005 ADHP Training Video.
4. Return completed exam to the Board of Dental Examiners of Alabama.

The nature of the ADHP requires a mature individual who is self motivated and eager to meet the challenges of a condensed academic curriculum. As the dentist instructor, it is solely your evaluation of the individual's ability, dental knowledge and other stated qualifications that will determine enrollment. Clearly, candidate selection is a very important factor when the student succeeds, however the dedication of the dentist instructor to accept the "instructor or mentor role" for that student is equally important.

The Board appreciates your interest in the Alabama Dental Hygiene Program and looks forward to the 2009-2010 program year.

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