



Required Competencies for the Graduates from the BDS Program

Domain 1 Patient Care

Part A. Assessment, Diagnosis, and Treatment Planning

Graduates must be competent at:

- 1.1 Obtaining and interpreting patient data, information and diagnostic measures to effectively assess the patient's concerns.
- 1.2 Synthesizing a comprehensive diagnosis and treatment plan and/or referral plan for the proper management of patients.
- 1.3 Assessment, management and prevention of medical and dental emergencies.

Part B. Establishment and Maintenance of Oral Health

Graduates must be competent at:

- 1.4 Prevention, identification, and management of odontogenic and non-odontogenic oral diseases in all ages.
- 1.5 Assessing outcomes of comprehensive dental care.
- 1.6 Managing the medically compromised dental patient.
- 1.7 Preventing and managing pain and anxiety in the dental patient.
- 1.8 Performance of minor oral surgical procedures.
- 1.9 Performance of preventive and restorative procedures that preserve tooth structure, esthetic and function.
- 1.10 Implementing strategies for the clinical management of caries and periodontal diseases.
- 1.11 Managing the replacement of teeth for the partially or completely edentulous patient.

- 1.12 Recognizing and managing limited developmental or acquired occlusal abnormalities.
- 1.13 Diagnosing and managing orofacial pain and temporomandibular disorders.
- 1.14 Recognizing manifestations of patient's abuse and/or neglect and providing proper management.
- 1.15 Applying universal infection control guidelines for all clinical procedures.
- 1.16 Planning appropriate strategies for patient's follow up

Domain 2. Communication and Interpersonal Skills

Graduates must be competent at:

- 2.1 Applying appropriate communication skills to interact with patients and their families and supporting staff.
- 2.2 Exchanging information, professional knowledge and experience with professional colleagues.
- 2.3 Working constructively in a group and cooperating with other colleagues and professionals.
- 2.4 Understanding and respecting the roles and expertise of health and social care professionals in the context of working and learning as a multi-professional team.
- 2.5 Applying psychosocial and behavioral principles in patient centered health care.

Domain 3. Professionalism

Graduates must be competent at:

- 3.1 Applying appropriate ethical and legal standards in providing patient centered care in accordance with health care rules and regulations in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia..
- 3.2 Recognizing the importance of maintaining professional growth and life-long learning.

Domain 4. Practice Management

Graduates must be competent at:

- 4.1 Applying and demonstrating practice management skills and quality assurance principles.
- 4.2 Maintaining and utilizing dental records.
- 4.3 Recognizing and practicing new concepts and modalities of oral health care delivery.

4.4 Understanding and practicing the system of health care delivery in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia with special reference to oral health care.

Domain 5. Information management and Critical Thinking

Graduates must be competent at:

5.1 Assessment of the scientific evidence published in professional journals.

5.2 Integration of scientific research with clinical expertise and patient values for optimum evidence-based care.

Domain 6. Health Promotion

Graduates must be competent at:

6.1 Understanding the opportunities for improving oral health beyond his/her practice through participation and outreach and community based clinical and health promotion educational activities.

6.2 Providing appropriate means of prevention, intervention, and educational strategies for all patients at risk of disease.