



Pit And Fissure Sealant Certification Course For Registered Dental Assistants

What is a Pit and Fissure Sealant Certification

Dental Assistants...are you seeking the Registered Dental Assistant license? If so, you must complete a Dental Board approved Pit and Fissure Sealant course prior to becoming licensed. We offer numerous courses throughout California on a regular basis.

Custom Course in Your Office

If you are unable to come to one of our classes, we can customize a class for you and your co-workers in the comfort of your office. You will need is a minimum of 4 people to enroll in this course. Please email us at efdaa4u@earthlink.net for protocol on setting up a custom course.

Why Should I Choose EFDA for Pit and Fissure Sealant Certification?

- **Scheduling Options.** Have you had trouble finding a course to complete in a timely manner? EFDA offers this course in a variety of locations and convenient time. They are offered often to fit your schedule.
- **Experienced and Professional Faculty.** EFDA's faculty are currently practicing RDAEFs; have years of industry experience and been educators for numerous years. They are caring and very helpful to students, as past graduates have raved how outstanding our teaching staff is.
- **Efficient Time Spent in Classroom.** We understand how busy you are and to meet your needs, our instruction is provided in the most efficient ways. Lectures are completed through a homestudy program, which reduces lecture time in the classroom. We offer a small class size in all of our courses, allowing students to gain extensive experience placing sealants on patients in the classroom and externship part of the course. During classroom instruction, an instructor will assist you in the learning process. Classroom hours are lengthen to allow you less days in class.
- **Affordable Tuition Costs.** Due to our efficient scheduling, we are able to offer you the most reasonable tuition offered.
- **I have a question about the course, how can I get it answered?** The fast and most efficient method is to e-mail us at efdaa4u@earthlink.net or call us at 760-200-2851.



How is this Course Scheduled?

Our 16 hour sealant course consists of the following

- **The lecture part of this course will be completed as a homestudy in the privacy of your own home.** You will receive this homestudy program, which consists of a comprehensive instructional syllabus, final written examination and answer sheet through an e-mail once we receive your course registration form. You have seven days after you complete the classroom instruction to **fax back your answer sheet for grading.**
- The laboratory part of the course will be taught utilizing a traditional **hands-on format in our training facility in the cities listed in our schedule of classes.** You will begin by learning to apply sealants onto extracted teeth. **Participants are required to bring (4) extracted teeth.** These teeth should be immersed in a small Dixie cup of stone or plaster base and aligned as it would be in the dental arch.
- Each student is required to place sealants on **4 clinical patients** provided by him/her. Sealants will placed on **two clinical patients** the first day of class.
- **The remaining 2 clinical patients will be performed in your dental office or a dental facility that allows you to place sealants in their facility.** Details of this requirement will be included in your confirmation e-mail after we receive your registration form. A release form must be signed by the participating DDS, which allows you to place sealants on patients while enrolled in our program.

What are the Course Prerequisites and Content?

If you are an RDA or working towards becoming an RDA and possess a coronal polish certification, you may enroll in this course. Our experienced instructors provide detailed step by step demonstration.

Two clinical patients must be utilized for the placement of sealants on **the first day of class in our training site.** Each clinical patient must have a **minimum of four (4) virgin, non-restored, natural teeth, sufficiently erupted so that a dry field can be maintained, for application of the etching, or etchant/bond combination, and sealant materials.** Such clinical instruction shall include teeth in all four quadrants for each patient. **The patient must be 18 years of age or older, does not have orthodontic bands or bonded brackets near the areas to be sealed.**



Students are responsible for the recruitment of their own patients. The EFDA instructor will **not pre-screen** your patients, so be sure that they met all of the requirements described above. Our instructor will evaluate, confirm, approve or disapprove the two patients that were originally pre-screened. Any patient who does not possess the required criteria will be disqualified.

The **remaining two clinical patients will be performed in your dental office or a dental facility that allows you to place sealants in their facility.** A detailed description of the course requirements will be sent along with the homestudy program upon receipt of the registration materials via the e-mail system. Upon completion of all the course requirements and you are an RDA you may perform this procedure.

Tuition cost: \$325

What Supplies Must I Bring and the Required Classroom Attire?

Students must provide those general sealant supplies required to perform this procedure. UltraSeal XT plus sealant material by Ultradent will be provided by EFDA. A list of these supplies will be sent to you upon receipt of your registration via the e-mail. All participants must wear a disposable gown, scrub-type uniform or lab coat; protective eyewear, mask and gloves in class.

I am an RDA, but I do not have my sealant certification. What is required for me as it relates to pit and fissure sealant certification?

A registered dental assistant licensed on and after January 1, 2010, shall provide evidence of successful completion of a board-approved course in the application of pit and fissure sealants prior to the first expiration of his or her license that requires the completion of continuing education as a condition of renewal. The license of a registered dental assistant who does not provide evidence of successful completion of that course shall not be renewed until evidence of course completion is provided.



Do I need to renew my Sealant Certificate?

No, once you have completed this course, received your Certificate of Completion your certificate will be valid indefinitely and does not need to be renewed. **Dental assistants, OA Permitted assistants may not perform this procedure unless they possess an active RDA license.**

Do You Want to Complete this Course in your Own Dental Office?

Does your office have a group of dental assistants that need this Certification? We require a minimum of five assistants for this customized course. Email us about scheduling this course in your own dental office.

Is this Course a Pre-Requisite for RDA Examination?

Yes, this course must be completed prior to applying for licensure as an RDA. Also if you are licensed as an RDA prior to 2010, you must complete this course at your first renewal period.

What is the Cancellation Policy?

If you are unable to attend this course and we receive your cancellation at least five business days prior to the course, you will receive a full refund except for a \$20 processing fee. All cancellations must be received by our office via email at efdaa4u@earthlink.net. A no show to the class will cause you to repeat the course at the regulation tuition rate. For lost certificates, a \$25 fee will be required for a duplicate copy.

What if EFDAA has to Cancel a Class

Occasionally courses may be cancelled due to low enrollment. Students will be given a full refund, unless the student requests transfer to another course. Every reasonable effort will be made to reach students of cancellations and/or changes.

What must I do if I have lost my certificate?

If you lose your certificate, you must send us a letter requesting a duplicate copy. In this letter, please specify when you completed this course, the location, where you wish the certificate to be mailed. The cost for this service is \$25.

How do I reach EFDAA if I have any questions?



The easiest and most efficient way to contact us is via the e-mail system. Contact us at efdaa4u@earthlink.net. If you wish to reach us by phone, call 760-200-2851.