



## Dental Hygiene Licensure Exam Pass Rates

Year	Number of candidates who took the National Board Dental Hygiene Examination (NBDHE)	Percentage of candidates who passed first time	Percentage of candidates who passed second time
2014	35	97%	3%
2013	37	100%	N/A
2012	32	100%	N/A

Year	Number of Candidates who took the Commission on Dental Competency Assessment (CDCA), formerly known as the American Dental Hygiene Licensing Examination and the Northeast Regional Board Examination (ADHLEX/NERB)	Percentage of candidates who passed both the Patient Treatment Clinical Examination (PTCE) and the Computer Simulated Clinical Examination (CSCE) first time	Percentage of candidates who passed either the Patient Treatment Clinical Examination (PTCE) and/or the Computer Simulated Clinical Examination (CSCE) second time
2014	35	80%	20%
2013	37	95%	5%
2012	32	81%	19%

The National Board Dental Hygiene Examination (NBDHE) is an eight hour comprehensive written examination administered electronically at a testing center. The yearly pass / fail results are reported in our Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) Self Study, which was prepared for our site visit in 2012. These results were also reported in Dental Hygiene Program Review which was prepared in 2014.

The North East Regional Board Examination (NERB), also known as the American Dental Hygiene Licensing Examination (ADHLEX) and currently as Commission on Dental Competency Assessment (CDCA) is a two part examination. The Patient Treatment Clinical Examination requires direct patient care at a dental school or dental hygiene school testing center and the Computer Simulated Clinical Examination (CSCE) is a two hour written examination administered electronically at a testing center. The yearly pass / fail results are reported in our Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) Self Study, which was prepared for our site visit in 2012. These results were also reported in our Dental Hygiene Program Review which was prepared in 2014. Candidates are permitted to retake either or both parts of the examination up to three times before remediation (additional education) is required for retesting.

Both examinations require a minimum passing score of 75. Both examinations are required as part of the licensure requirements to become a Registered Dental Hygienist (RDH) in 49 of our 50 states. Each state/jurisdiction may also require other courses/examinations as part of the licensing process.