



## Preparation Course for the DANB Infection Control Exam at Tunxis Community College

Part I is a comprehensive 5-hour review presented by Ellen Gambardella. Part II includes a simulated computerized infection control exam by Gary Jacobs. Although you may take one part only, we encourage you to register for both parts I and II to receive the maximum benefit of the review, which should be taken in sequence.

### ***Part I: Infection Control Preparation Course for the DANB Exam- 5 CEUs*** ***Ellen Gambardella, CDA, RDA, M.Ed., FADAA***

Join this comprehensive review session which is updated to reflect the current DANB exam outline/ blueprint (2018). The valuable information obtained in this course is emphasized through interactive questions and answers. We will review: patient and dental health care worker education, standard precautions and the prevention of disease transmission, how to maintain aseptic conditions, instrument processing, sterilization procedures, disinfection, occupational safety and hints for improving test scores. This seminar serves as an **adjunct** to the participant's own studying for taking the Dental Assisting National Board *Infection Control* Exam. Topics to be discussed: OSHA / Standard Precautions; Bloodborne Pathogen Standard; Infectious Diseases; Modes of Transmission; Personal Protective Equipment; Engineering / Work Practice Controls; Hand Hygiene; Preparation and Packaging of Instruments; Sterilization/Biological Monitoring/Chemical Sterilants; Disinfection/ Barriers; IC for Lab Procedures; Hazard Communication Standard.

Please review the following online publications before coming to class:

<http://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth/infectioncontrol/guidelines/index.htm>

[CDC Guidelines for Infection Control in Dental Health-Care Settings - 2003](#)

[CDC Summary of Infection Prevention Practices in Dental Settings: Basic Expectations for Safe Care – 2016](#)

**Sat., Oct. 27, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.** (Registration 8 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.)

**Location:** Tunxis Community College, Founders Hall

**Fee:** \$125

**Fee includes full buffet breakfast.** College cafeteria will be open to purchase lunch.

### ***Part II: Infection Control Preparation Course for the DANB Exam—4 CEUs*** ***Gary L. Jacobs, CDA, RDH, B.S.Ed., MPA***

An overview of infection control fundamental topics under the DANB examination outline/blueprint will be provided to help individuals focus their preparation. Recommended study resources will be presented with guidance for obtaining these resources to assist in more in-depth self-study. How to navigate through the Dental Assisting National Board - registering for the Dental Assisting National Board; understanding the test outcomes; and test taking strategies will be discussed. The course will conclude with a simulated (computer generated random infection control 100 question timed exam) board examination with opportunity to discuss the questions/answers to foster a greater understanding of the material. The overall intent of the course is to provide knowledge and guidance to help participants better prepare in their **self-study** to sit for the **Dental Assisting National Board**.

**Topical Outline:** Basic Oral Pathology and Microbiology; Disease Transmission and Prevention; Principles and Techniques of Disinfection; Principles and Techniques of Sterilization; Regulatory Agencies; Chemical and Waste Management; Dental Unit Waterlines; Test Strategies; and Simulated Computerized Infection Control Exam.

**Sat., Nov. 3 or Nov. 10, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.** (Registration 9:00– 9:50 a.m.)

**Location:** Tunxis Community College, Library Computer Classroom

**Fee:** \$85.00

Visit [tunxis.edu](http://tunxis.edu) for more course and registration information. For maps and directions to Tunxis, visit [tunxis.edu/map](http://tunxis.edu/map).



**Part I—Ellen Gambardella, CDA, RDA, M.E.d., FADAA**, was selected as the “Most Effective Dental Assistant Educator in the United States” in a national search. The Massachusetts Dental Society presented her with the “Special Award for Teacher of the Year” and the “Auxiliary of the Year” award. She is the recipient of the “Goldin Foundation Award for Excellence in Education” and the “Dr. LeClaire Dental Health Professional Award” for innovative and impassioned teaching. The U.S. Air Force recognized Gambardella for her educational support of the 66<sup>th</sup> Dental Flight and Medical Group. She has been appointed by the MA Department of Education to develop dental assisting teacher licensing examinations. She was recently awarded the title of “Fellow” from the ADAA. A former faculty member of Tufts and Northeastern Universities, Middlesex Community College, and the Minuteman School of Applied Arts and Science, Gambardella is an author and has lectured nationally and internationally.



**Part II—Gary Jacobs** serves as a board member and legislative counsel co-chair for the Connecticut Dental Assistants Association. He holds a master’s degree in public administration from the University of Hartford, a B.S. in education from Central Connecticut State University, and associate degree in health science from Tunxis Community College. Jacobs taught dental assisting and dental hygiene courses at Edison Community College in Fort Myers, FL prior to accepting a faculty position at Tunxis Community College. Professor Jacobs has taught didactic and practical components for infection control in the dental assisting program since 2003, preparing students for the Dental Assisting National Board.

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## Registration Form: Infection Control Preparation Course for the DANB Exam

**PART I: Sat., Oct. 27 - 5 CEUs, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. (registration 8:00– 8:50 a.m.) CRN 3685**  
**Location: Tunxis Community College, Founders Hall**

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**FEE BY CHECK: \$125.00 for Part I only (Registration deadline is Sat. 10/20/18)**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home # \_\_\_\_\_ Work # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART II: Choice of November dates, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. (Registration 9– 9:50 a.m.)**  
**Location: Tunxis Community College, Library Computer Classroom**

**Please check date of attendance below for Part II:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Sat., Nov. 3, (4 CEUs, limited to 24 participants) CRN: 3686**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Sat., Nov. 10, (4 CEUs, limited to 24 participants) CRN: 3687**

**FEE BY CHECK: \$210.00 for Parts I and II (Registration deadline is Sat. 10/20/18)**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Enclosed: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail checks (payable to TCC) and completed form to:**  
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 Continuing Education & Workforce Development  
 271 Scott Swamp Rd.  
 Farmington, CT 06032  
 Contact: Kacy Ostman, ph: 860.773.1444, KOstman@tunxis.edu  
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