

CDHC Curriculum Outline:

The CDHC training consists of a total of 1872.25 hours of instruction (672.25 didactic, 160 in-person task assessments and 1040 hours of internship). The online curriculum of the CDHC includes the following:

1. The general education aspect in the curriculum includes content at a familiarity level in:
 - a. Human psychology
 - b. Social psychology and sociology
 - c. Diversity, cultures, and religion and their association with health and health practices
 - d. Behavioral change models
 - e. Communications
 - f. Community mobilization and social networking
 - g. Prevention and complications of substance abuse

2. The biomedical science aspect of the curriculum includes content at the familiarity level in:
 - a. Bloodborne pathogen and hazardous waste contamination standards
 - b. Nutrition, diet, and oral healthcare
 - c. Principles of developing referral and preventive recommendations
 - d. Prevention of dental diseases and conditions

3. The dental sciences aspect of the curriculum includes content at the familiarity level in:
 - a. Oral/dental physiology and anatomy
 - b. Oral/dental diseases and conditions
 - c. Pharmacology
 - d. Dental materials
 - e. Oral health/systemic health

4. The clinical sciences aspect of the curriculum includes content at the familiarity level in:
 - a. General dentistry
 - b. Foundation of dental public health practice
 - c. Oral health education
 - d. Principles of health promotion
 - e. Principles of scaling
 - f. Legal and ethical aspects of dentistry
 - g. Dental emergencies
 - h. Dental-related environmental hazards
 - i. Dental informatics (data management in community-based programs, billing and education)
 - j. Introduction to dental practice management
 - k. Dental equipment and maintenance