



University of
New Haven

SCHOOL OF
HEALTH SCIENCES

Dental Hygiene Programs



Dental Hygienist Local Anesthesia Certification

**Connecticut State Dental Association
Annual Meeting at Mohegan Sun**

Wednesday, 5/13/26, 9:00 am–5:00 pm

University of New Haven

Saturday, 5/23/26, 8:00 am–5:00 pm

Sunday, 5/24/26, 8:00 am – 12:00 noon

Course Description

This course will introduce the Registered Dental Hygienist who is seeking certification in local anesthesia in the State of Connecticut to the skills necessary to safely and confidently administer local anesthesia. The clinical part of the course will consist of attendees administering local anesthesia with faculty guidance and observation. Topics addressed will include:

- Current concepts of local anesthesia
- Safe administration of pain control
- Physiology of pain management
- Anatomy and physiology
- Pharmacology of anesthetic agents
- Emergency precautions and client management
- Troubleshooting tips

Initial Certification Credit Hours and Course Layout

Online & Self-Paced Content: 8 hours (prior to course)

In-Person Lecture: 12 hours

Hands-On Clinical: 8 hours

Total CE: 28 hours

See <https://csdadentalmeeting.com/> for fees.



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