

**Note to Candidates:**

Please hand this letter to your patient at the beginning of your exam and ask them to read it sometime during the exam process. Thank you!

Letter to Patients

The Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc., abbreviated as CRDTS, wishes to thank you for your participation in this clinical Board examination. The purpose of our examination program is to determine the clinical competency of dentists and dental hygienists who are candidates for professional licensure.

CRDTS provides testing services for a number of State Boards of Dentistry, including Alabama, California, Colorado, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Carolina, South Dakota, Texas, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming. Through CRDTS, these states have joined together to cooperate in the development and administration of clinical Board Examinations. Based on the results of the CRDTS' examinations, participating State Boards of Dentistry determine qualifications for licensure in their respective states. By successfully completing the CRDTS' examination, a candidate may be eligible to apply for licensure in numerous states.

The examiners you will see during the exam today are licensed practitioners from CRDTS' member states. Most of them are current or former members of the Board of Dentistry in their state or have been selected by their State Board to serve as clinical examiners. These examiners are very appreciative of your role as a patient in the examination process.

You should be aware that the examiners are not at liberty to discuss examination results with you. If they should appear to avoid questions or conversation, we hope you will understand that they do not intend to be discourteous; the examiners simply cannot comment on the candidate's performance and must avoid delays that keep other candidates and their patients waiting.

All candidates for the examination have completed a formal educational curriculum in an accredited professional school. CRDTS cannot guarantee the adequacy or completeness of the treatment that is provided during the examination process. You should be aware that the treatment you receive today may be incomplete and follow-up care may be needed. Your participation and cooperation with your candidate and CRDTS' examiners make it possible for the profession of dentistry to maintain high standards of competency and furthers the professional careers of the examination candidates.

Thank you in advance for your patience, your understanding and your participation!