



OSAP-DANB-DALE Foundation Andrew Whitehead Education and Certification Scholarship

Overview

Applications will launch on February 22, 2024, and will be accepted online through <https://danb-dale.scholarshipsplatform.com>. **Applications must be received by 11:59 p.m. CT on April 1, 2024.** Winners will be announced by June 1, 2024.

Please read the application steps on page two. We recommend that you prepare your responses before beginning your application.

Purpose

OSAP, DANB and the DALE Foundation share a commitment to the health and safety of patients and providers. We believe that every member of the dental industry plays an active role in providing safe, quality dental care. The OSAP-DANB-DALE Foundation Andrew Whitehead Education and Certification Scholarship was established to provide infection prevention and control education and certification to dental professionals.

Use of Scholarship Funds

The scholarship is open to all dental professionals who meet the eligibility criteria. Scholarship recipients will receive access to the educational materials and will have the certification exam fees covered enabling them to become Certified in Dental Infection Prevention and Control® (CDIPC®) or Dental Industry Specialist in Infection Prevention and Control® (DISIPC®) certified:

- [OSAP-DALE Foundation Dental Infection Prevention and Control Certificate™ \(\\$215 value\)](#)
- [DALE Foundation DANB® ICE® Review course \(\\$130 value\)](#)
- [CDIPC exam application fee \(\\$270 value\)](#) or [DISIPC exam application fee \(\\$270 value\)](#)
- [One year of OSAP Premium Membership \(\\$120 value\)*](#)

Total Value: \$735

**Valid for individuals who are not already OSAP members.*

Which certification is right for you? CDIPC is intended for individuals who practice clinically or manage, train, or consult individuals who practice clinically. DISIPC is intended for dental professionals who do not work in clinical settings.

Eligibility

To be eligible, you must have completed a minimum of 1,040 hours of work experience as a dental assistant, hygienist, therapist, dentist, dental practice/office manager, educator, consultant, trainer, sales or customer service representative, service technician, or other professional who manufactures or distributes products or services to the dental profession or dental inspector/investigator.

Current employees or family members of current employees of OSAP, DANB, or DALE Foundation; or current members or family members of the OSAP Board of Directors, OSAP Foundation Board of Directors, DALE Foundation Board of Trustees, DANB Board of Directors, or OSAP-DANB-DALE Foundation Andrew Whitehead Education and Certification Scholarship Task Force are not eligible.

Evaluation

Applicants will be evaluated on the quality of their responses, their commitment to lifelong learning, and their dedication to providing safe, quality dental care.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

OSAP, DANB, and the DALE Foundation actively seek to award scholarship funds to dental professionals from a wide range of backgrounds and experiences, as well as gender, age, race, and ethnicity. We are committed to fair and equitable access and opportunity for all.

How to Apply

Please read through the steps below. We recommend you prepare your responses before beginning the application. You can save your application and come back to it at a later time.

1. Create your account at <https://danb-dale.scholarshipsplatform.com>.

You will receive a verification email to confirm your account. You can then start your application.

2. Enter your information.

You will be asked to fill in your name, contact information, and optional demographic information.

3. Provide responses to professional development questions.

You will be asked to answer three questions related to your career background and future plans. We recommend you prepare your responses before beginning the application.

- Describe your background and journey to working in oral healthcare. (up to 200 words)
- Describe how you plan to use the knowledge gained through the educational materials and CDIPC or DISIPC certification. (up to 100 words)
- Describe your long-term career goals and how earning certification will assist you in achieving these goals. (up to 100 words)

4. Submit the application.

You will then confirm that you will abide by the scholarship agreement, and you may submit your application. You must complete all required fields and submit by the scholarship deadline of 11:59 p.m. CT on April 1, 2024.

Scholarship Agreement

- I attest that I have completed at least 1,040 hours of work experience as a dental assistant, hygienist, therapist, dentist, dental practice/office manager, educator, consultant, trainer, sales or customer service representative, service technician, or other professional who manufactures or distributes products or services to the dental profession or dental inspector/investigator. I understand that my scholarship application may be subject to an audit, and if audited, I will be required to provide documentation from my employer verifying my work experience. I further understand that if I do not comply with an audit or cannot provide requested documentation, my scholarship application will be withdrawn.
- If awarded, I understand I will have access to the educational materials (OSAP-DALE Foundation Dental Infection Prevention and Control Certificate program and DALE Foundation DANB ICE Review) for six months. I understand I must complete the courses within the six-month access period to receive the CDIPC or DISIPC application fee or forfeit the scholarship exam application fee.
- If awarded, I understand that once educational requirements are complete, I must apply for the CDIPC or DISIPC exam. Once the exam application is approved, I must schedule the exam within 60 days per DANB testing requirements. I will adhere to this timeline and all policies outlined in the [CDIPC](#) or [DISIPC](#) Exam Information Packet. If I do not schedule the exam within the 60-day time period, or if I miss or fail the exam, I am responsible for any additional exam-related fees.
- I understand the CDIPC and DISIPC certifications [require annual renewal](#), including complete of six continuing education (CE) credits in infection control and an annual recertification fee of \$50 for one certification (multiple certifications may cost more). Costs related to renewal are NOT provided as a part of this scholarship.
- I agree to allow my name, photo and statements submitted in the scholarship application to be used in scholarship- and marketing-related communications from OSAP, DANB, and the DALE Foundation.