



## About CDIPC and DISIPC Certification

In 2015, the Organization for Safety, Asepsis and Prevention (OSAP) and the Dental Assisting National Board (DANB) began discussing the need for a certification for individuals with advanced knowledge in infection control and prevention. In 2021, DANB, with the help of subject matter experts from OSAP, completed the development of two certifications, the Certified in Dental Infection Prevention and Control® (CDIPC®) and the Dental Industry Specialist in Infection Prevention and Control™ (DISIPC™).

The CDIPC certification and corresponding examination content was developed for all members of a dental team who perform infection prevention and control in a dental setting; supervisors and educators of those who perform prevention and control; and healthcare professionals who inspect or investigate dental settings for compliance with federal infection prevention and control guidelines and standards on behalf of government, regulatory, accrediting or public health authorities.

The DISIPC certification and corresponding examination content was developed for dental practice managers; sales representatives, customer service personnel, service technicians and other professionals who work for the companies that manufacture or distribute products, equipment or services to the dental profession who are not healthcare professionals; as well as those who are non-healthcare professionals who investigate or inspect dental settings for compliance with federal infection prevention and control guidelines and standards on behalf of government, regulatory, accrediting or public health authorities.

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## Recertification Requirements Purpose

DANB recognizes the dynamic and emerging roles of oral health professionals in providing quality care to patients. DANB assists certificants in meeting these ever-changing roles by requiring annual CE credits. DANB's objective is to provide the highest quality service to the public and profession by improving each certificant's infection control knowledge. Renewing your certification annually protects your credential and shows your commitment to the oral healthcare profession.

**IMPORTANT:** If you hold other certifications from DANB, please reference DANB's Recertification Requirements, which includes information about holding CDIPC and DISIPC plus other DANB certifications.

[Download DANB's Recertification Requirements](#)

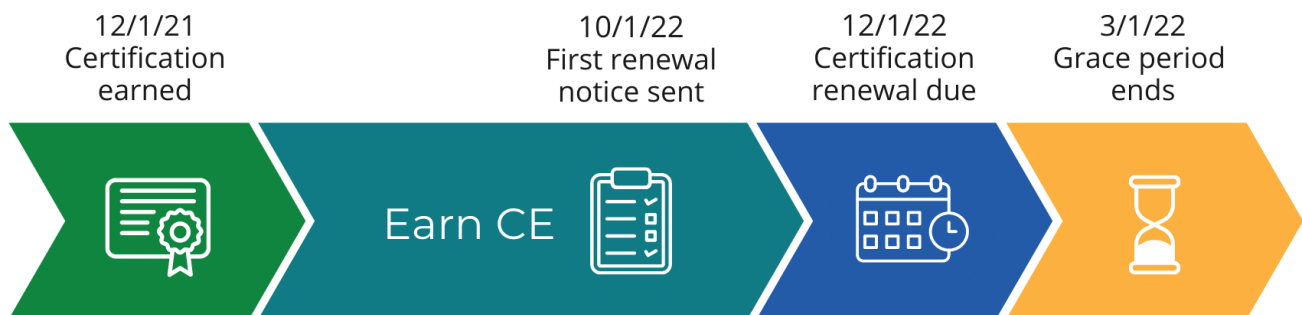
## CE Credits and Renewal Fees

# of Certifications	CE Credits (Infection Control)	Annual Renewal Fee*
1 certification (CDIPC or DISIPC)	6	\$50
2 certifications (CDIPC and DISIPC)	12	\$75

\*\$20 late fee added after expiration date

Upon submission of your annual renewal, you agree to DANB's recertification requirements, policies, and procedures. Renewal fees are non-refundable under any circumstances.

## Renewal Process and Timeline Example



**CDIPC and DISIPC certification are valid for one year.** Certificants have a grace period of three months from the date of certification expiration to complete the renewal process, which includes earning CE credits and paying the renewal fee. DANB considers you certified during the grace period. If you do not renew by the end of the three-month grace period, you will no longer be certified and may not use the CDIPC or DISIPC certification marks or present yourself as holding certification in any manner.

DANB will email your renewal notice eight weeks before your certification expiration date. Visit [www.danb.org](http://www.danb.org) to renew online. You must renew annually, even if you do not receive the renewal notice.

## Earning CE Credits

**All CE credits must be earned in dental infection prevention and control.**

CE credits must be earned during your renewal period. Your renewal period begins the date you earned the most recent certification, which is referenced on your results letter, and ends once your three-month grace period has ended.

## Calculating CE Credits

Education must be at least 45 minutes to qualify. CE credits are calculated in 15-minute increments (e.g., 45 minutes = .75 CE credits, 1 hour = 1 CE credit).

## Approved CE Providers

Successfully complete courses, programs, or educational opportunities offered online or in person from a provider approved by:

- American Dental Association – Continuing Education Recognition Program (ADA-CERP)  
[View ADA-CERP approved providers](#)
- Academy of General Dentistry – Program Approval for Continuing Education (AGD-PACE)  
[View AGD-PACE approved providers](#)

OSAP and the DALE Foundation are ADA-CERP approved providers.

## Maintaining Proof of CE Credits

Document the CE credits you have earned each year in your online DANB account. You will be required to submit proof of credits if you are selected for audit.

## Applying CE to Other DANB Certifications

Certificants who hold other DANB certifications may apply the dental infection control credits they earn for DANB certification renewal toward DISIPC or CDIPC certification renewal, as long as they meet DISIPC/CDIPC requirements. Likewise, DISIPC and CDIPC certificants who are also DANB certified may apply the dental infection control credits they earn for DISIPC or CDIPC certification toward their DANB certification renewal.

## Recertification Requirements Audit

A random sample of certificants are selected annually for audit of meeting the recertification requirements. While most audits are random, some are at DANB's discretion. You will receive instructions by email if you are selected for audit and will be asked to provide:

- Proof of CE credits earned during the current renewal period
- Any other documentation deemed necessary by DANB to validate you have met the requirements

If you fail to submit any required documentation for the audit, you will receive a notice by email indicating any deficiencies. You are encouraged to submit the additional proof, or, in some cases, use the grace period to earn additional CE credits to comply with the audit. If you do not meet the requirements, you will fail the audit and will no longer be certified. Upon successful completion of an audit, your certification will be renewed.

## Use of Certification Marks

You may use the CDIPC and/or DISIPC mark after your name (e.g., Sue Smith, CDIPC). If you have not maintained your CDIPC and/or DISIPC certification, you may no longer use the mark.

## Certification Reinstatement

If your CDIPC and/or DISIPC certification expired and you would like to reinstate, visit DANB's website or contact DANB at [recertification@danb.org](mailto:recertification@danb.org).

[Certification Reinstatement Information](#)