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<td>1. To provide the Dental Assistant AAS student with the knowledge and job skills required for entry level employment in the dental field</td>
<td>1a. Students who complete a Dental Assistant AAS Degree will possess the skills and knowledge to gain employment and national certification in the dental field</td>
<td>1a1. Eighty-five percent of the graduates will secure employment in dental assisting position or continue their education.</td>
<td>1a1. &amp; 1a2. Administration and analysis of the results of the yearly survey of graduates will be conducted by the program coordinator or designee who will disseminate results to the Dental Assisting faculty.</td>
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<td>1b. Employers of graduates of the Dental Assistant Certificate or AAS degree will be satisfied that these graduates possess the skills and knowledge necessary for entry level positions in the dental field.</td>
<td>1a2. Eighty-five percent of graduates will express satisfaction that the skills and knowledge that they gained in the dental assisting program were appropriate and adequate for their entry into their dental assisting career.</td>
<td>1a3. The program coordinator or designee will obtain and track annual results of the number of graduates talking and passing the DANB exams.</td>
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<td>1a3. Eighty-five percent of graduates will receive national certification from the Dental Assisting National Board (DANB).</td>
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<td>1b. Eighty-five percent of employers of graduates of the Dental Assisting programs will express satisfaction with the entry level skills and knowledge of the graduates.</td>
<td>1b1. Administration and analysis of the results of the outcome assessment employer questionnaire will be conducted by the Program Coordinator or designee. Results will be disseminated to the Dental Assisting faculty.</td>
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<td>1b2. Written and verbal dialogue with dentists and other staff at practicum sites will indicate satisfaction with the skills and knowledge of the practicum students.</td>
<td>1b2. Responses provided by the practicum site personnel will provide feedback on areas of satisfaction and areas of concern regarding practicum students.</td>
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2. To collaborate with the Dental Society of Fairbanks, the community of Dental Practitioners in the Fairbanks Northstar Borough, the Statewide Dental Community, various state government organizations and the University of Alaska Anchorage to develop an excellent and efficient Dental Assisting program that meets the needs of the employers in Alaska.

2a. An active Advisory Board of local dentists, hygienist, and assistants will provide input and feedback to the Dental Assisting Program.

2b. Local dental practitioners and dental allied health professionals will contribute to the Dental Assisting Program by participating as adjunct instructors, practicum sites, and advisory board members.

2c. The Program Coordinator and Dental Assisting Faculty will maintain active collaboration with the University of Alaska Anchorage to develop and maintain a program that is easily transferable between MAU's.

2c. The Program Coordinator and Dental Assisting Faculty will maintain communication with appropriate Statewide organizations to assess the need for dental assists, the job skills preferred, and the timeline for training dental assistants.

2a. The Advisory will meet regularly and be proactive in assisting the development and maturation of the Dental Assisting Program.

2b. The number of practicum sites, adjunct instructors, and board members will increase.

2c. A completely transferable certificate and AAS degree program will be developed between UAA and UAF.

2c. Data with regard to number of dental assistant positions, number of empty positions, anticipated need for new positions, and locate of needs will be tracked and maintained.

2a. Minutes of the advisory board will be kept and made available as needed.

2b. The Program Coordinator or designee will track the number of board members, practicum sites and adjuncts.

2c. Regular meetings between UAF and UAA faculty will be held to redevelop both programs.

2c. Dental Assisting faculty and program coordinator will participate in AHA meetings, statewide DOL meetings, Tech-prep meetings, ASHNA meetings, etc.

3. To gain accreditation for the dental Assistant Certificate and AAS degrees by the American Dental Association through the Commission on the Accreditation of Dental Assisting Education Programs.

3. The TVC Dental Assisting program gain accreditation for the certificate and AAS degree programs by 2007.

3. Annual reports on the progress toward accreditation will be provided to the program Coordinator and Director of TVC.

3. Dental Assisting faculty will spend 2004-05 moving into the new dental teaching facility, 2005-06 preparing the self-study and initial accreditation paperwork, and 2006-07 with the site visit and final accreditation reports.