

University of Florida
College of Dentistry
2015 ACCREDITATION
Update

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To: UF College of Dentistry,

Preparation for an event as significant as the accreditation site visit takes on many forms and, now that the site visit is only 10 days away, you can literally see the final preparations taking place.

Preparing for a site visit is really a “team sport.” UFCD faculty, staff, some of our colleagues in the College of Medicine who are participating, PPD staff, students . . . everyone is rolling up their sleeves and doing their part to be prepared.

Do your part in welcoming our site visitors and pave the way for a smooth visit by doing the following things on September 29, 30 and October 1.

- Wear your UFID so our site visitors know you are part of the college and can help them if they need help.
- If you see one of our visitors, please offer them a smile and any assistance if they need directions. We all know how difficult it can be to navigate around the Health Science Center.
- Our visitors may come into a clinical area on their own, not as part of a group tour. Please offer them PPE (eyewear, gown, gloves, mask) in case they’d prefer to have those on in the clinic.
- Take a look around your work/study/research areas and remove any boxes, extraneous papers and such to ensure a clean, neat appearance.
- During the site visit, I ask that everyone take personal responsibility to ensure a neat environment in private and public areas. If you see litter, please pick it up. If you notice spills or other hazards, please contact Charles Lesch.
- If you, or our site visitors, need anything, please contact the dean’s office at 273-5802.

I am looking forward to the accreditation site visit and I hope you all are too. This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase the many strengths of our college for others in dental education - an opportunity that only comes along once every seven years. Enjoy!

With kind regards,

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Site visit schedule overview

The 17-member group includes three CODA staff members, five predoctoral consultants, eight advanced education consultants and one ‘silent observer,’ (the silent observer is coming to learn more about how site visits work).

The predoctoral and advanced education site visit begins Tuesday morning at 8am. The advanced education visit ends on Wednesday at noon; the predoctoral visit continues through Thursday at noon.

There will be tours, conferences and other meetings during the course of the three days in rooms throughout the dental tower and in a few of our affiliated sites.

The NCEF Dental Residency Program is participating as well; a consultant will be at NCEF and will teleconference in to meetings in the dental tower during the course of the site visit.

The complete schedules are posted on our accreditation [webpage here](#).

Readiness retreat

On September 9, we held a half-day readiness retreat. If you missed the one-hour session for everyone involved in accreditation, you can [access it here](#).

If you would like to review the materials, the self-study and all related appendices are posted on our website [here](#).

If you are new to the college and would like to learn more about CODA accreditation, please visit our accreditation web pages [here](#).