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APPLY TO THE HIGHER EDUCATION
COORDINATING COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL OF
THE DENTAL ASSISTING ONE-YEAR CERTIFICATE FOR
PORTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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STRATEGIC THEME: Workforce: Respond to community and workforce needs by developing a culture of agility

REPORT: The proposed Dental Assisting One-Year Certificate is designed to prepare students who wish to work in the field of dentistry. This 45-credit certificate represents a comprehensive transformation of the entire Dental Assisting curriculum and program. The primary objectives of the curriculum changes were to reorganize course topics into more suitable courses, enhance alignment between courses, guarantee that students receive an adequate number of contact hours per course, and maintain an appropriate overall balance within the certificate program.

RECOMMENDATION: That the College be authorized to submit an application to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for the Dental Assisting One-Year Certificate for Portland Community College.