

# Doctor of Dental Medicine Quarterly Update Florida Atlantic University

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### Introduction



# Doctor of Dental Medicine

- Planned implementation in fall 2026
- Goal is to produce graduates who will serve low-income
   & rural populations in Florida
- Approved on January 25, 2023, subject to the university meeting contingencies
- Quarterly updates required
- Approval remains in effect through December 31, 2028





### Securing Funding



### **Condition #1**

### Secure sufficient funding from the state legislature & other sources

	Jan. 2023 Proposal	Appropriated in 2023 Session	Remaining \$ Needed
Operational Funds Recurring	\$37.9M	\$5.0M	\$32.9M*
Non-Recurring	\$85.4M	\$5.0M	\$80.4M*
Fixed Capital Outlay	\$84.6M	\$30.0M	\$54.6M

<sup>\*</sup>Included in the 2024-25 Legislative Budget Request.

### Recruiting Faculty



### Condition #2

# Hire a sufficient number of quality faculty to implement & operate the program

#### **Institution Progress**

- Search initiated to fill four key positions, including the Academic Dean and Clinical Dean
- Database developed to track potential faculty interest

#### **Planned Action Steps**

- Work with an FAU-employed recruiter & academic healthcare search firm to find highly qualified candidates
- Create opportunities for potential faculty members to interact with university community

### **Approving Curriculum**



### Condition #3

## Approve a curriculum consistent with specialized accreditation requirements

#### **Institution Progress**

- Identifying overlapping content in dental & medical curriculum
- Agreements being developed with health organizations to host clinical rotations
- Medicare information included in the curriculum

### **Planned Action Steps**

- Establish a Curriculum Development Committee
- Design a schedule for curriculum development & approval
- Conduct a needs assessment to identify current & future requirements of dental education

### Obtaining Accreditation



### **Condition #4**

### Obtain specialized accreditation from the Commission on Dental Accreditation

#### **Institution Progress**

 Received the Initial Accreditation Application for Dental Education Programs

#### **Planned Action Steps**

- Gather data & assess compliance with accreditation standards by the end of February 2024
- Assemble a team focused on accreditation & related matters
- Submit self-study to the Commission by end of September 2024

### **Providing Updates**



### Condition #5

## Provide updates on funding, hiring, curriculum, specialized accreditation, & other implementation matters

### **Institution Progress**

- Submitted first quarterly report in May (covers January May 2023)
- Submitted second quarterly report in August (covers May August 2023)

#### **Planned Action Steps**

- The next report will be due to the Board office in November 2023
- Each report will cover institutional progress on planned action steps listed in previous reports

### Revising Mission Statement



### **Condition #6**

Include in the mission statement that program's primary objective is to serve Florida's rural & underserved communities

### **Institution Progress**

 Mission statement revised to include emphasis on rural communities & underserved areas

#### **Planned Action Steps**

None

√ Contingency met

