Cerritos College Dental Hygiene Scores Big in Table Clinic Competition

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NORWALK, Calif. – April 23, 2013 – Team Cerritos' presence was felt at the California Dental Hygienists' Association meeting in Anaheim Friday April 12. Every year the dental hygiene students compete in an annual statewide table clinic competition.

A total of 83 students from nine schools competed this year. The table clinic competition is a table top presentation addressing a topic in dental hygiene. The students are judged on the quality of the board, the quality of the presentation and topic.

Team Cerritos won first place in the Informational Category with “Rheumor Has It: The Link Between Rheumatoid Arthritis & Periodontal Disease” by David Whaley and Nicole Pelc. The team also took second place in the Original Research Category with “Unmasking the Truth: Testing the Bacterial Filtration Efficiency of Face Masks When Exposed to Aerosol” by Susie Magana, Madona Joseph and Nadia Nava.

“We are proud of the hard work and team spirit that these students demonstrated in representing the Cerritos College dental hygiene program”, said Adelle Krayer, director of the Cerritos College dental hygiene program.

In June, three teams of students will be taking their presentations to the American Dental Hygienists’ Association National competition in Boston, Massachusetts. This year marks the 100 year anniversary of Dental Hygiene.

About Cerritos College: Cerritos College serves as a comprehensive community college for southeastern Los Angeles County. Communities within the college’s district include Artesia, Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, La Mirada, Norwalk, and portions of Bell Gardens, Lakewood, Long Beach, Santa Fe Springs and South Gate. Cerritos College offers degrees and certificates in more than 180 areas of study in nine divisions. Annually, more than 1,200 students successfully complete their course of studies, and enrollment currently averages 23,000 students. Visit Cerritos College online at http://www.cerritos.edu/.

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