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## **PBCC alumna honored during Dental Assistant Recognition Week**

(Lake Worth, Fla. – March 3, 2009) – Palm Beach Community College’s dental assisting program hosted its 6<sup>th</sup> annual luncheon today for Dental Assistant Recognition Week (D.A.R.W.), which runs from March 1 - 7.

Current PBCC dental assisting students were honored at the luncheon with a pinning ceremony. In addition, PBCC dental assisting graduate Marilyn Montoya Alexander received the 2009 D.A.R.W. Alumni Recognition Award, after being nominated by Dr. Mark Roberts.



“Marilyn has always been reliable, conscientious and personable,” Dr. Roberts said. “She is an asset to my dental practice and a success story for the PBCC dental assisting program.”

Marilyn Montoya Alexander enrolled in the PBCC dental assisting program in 2005 and went from being an intern in Dr. Roberts’ dental office to full-time employment at his Boynton Beach practice.

“I would like to thank the teachers and staff at PBCC for all of their hard work and efforts in conducting a successful dental assisting program,” Alexander said. “To the dental assisting class, do your very best and be confident in yourself. You are well prepared and know more than you may think.”

The dental assisting program will host two information sessions in the Dental Health building (DH) room 105 on Wednesday, April 15 from 2 to 3 p.m. and Wednesday, May 13 from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

For more information on the dental assisting program, call (561) 868-3752 or visit [www.pbcc.edu/dentalhealth.xml](http://www.pbcc.edu/dentalhealth.xml).

Dental Assisting Recognition Week is dedicated by the American Dental Assistants Association, the American Dental Association, the Canadian Dental Association and the Canadian Dental Assistants' Association, to acknowledge dental assistants dedication, talent and hard work. *"One Team, One Goal: Improving Oral Health"* is the theme for the 32<sup>nd</sup> annual D.A.R.W.

**About Palm Beach Community College:** Serving more than 46,000 students annually, Palm Beach Community College is the largest institution of higher education in Palm Beach County, providing the bachelor's degree, associate degrees, professional certificates, career training and lifelong learning. Florida's first public community college, PBCC offers more than 100 programs of study at locations in Lake Worth, Boca Raton, Palm Beach Gardens and Belle Glade.

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