

DA 3000 Dental Assistant

TUITION \$4,000
DURATION 14 weeks
TARGET CERTIFICATION Registered Dental Assistant



ISSUING AUTHORITIES
REQUIREMENTS High School Diploma or GED



PROGRAM DETAILS

Dental Assisting is projected to be among the fastest-growing occupations in the United States through 2026. There is high demand for caring, knowledgeable, and professional individuals who want to make a difference in the lives of patients – while pursuing an exciting career in healthcare. This program prepares students to take on significant responsibility as a member of a dental healthcare team. Dental Assistants greatly increase the efficiency of the dentist in delivery of quality, oral healthcare.

The MedCerts online Dental Assistant program prepares students to gain industry certifications and, ultimately, to work with patients in dental offices, community dental and health clinics, and hospital-based dental facilities. Today's dental assistants perform a variety of clinical and administrative duties, and the MedCerts program covers the wide range of skills and objectives needed to meet industry demands for skilled and well-rounded dental assistants.

This program prepares students to assist dentists and dental hygienists by providing the essential clinical and administrative skills needed in the dental setting. The program covers subjects such as dental anatomy and morphology, infection control, radiation health safety and radiographic skills, patient education, soft skills, dental materials, and essential chairside functions.

Dental Assistant responsibilities include assisting with and providing direct patient care, sterilizing instruments, taking impressions, and performing office management tasks. Working under the direction of a Dentist, assistants may perform a variety of tasks such as coronal polishing, sealant application, fluoride application, and topical anesthetic application. The Dental Assistant program covers a comprehensive range of knowledge domains, topics, objectives, and tasks that a practicing Dental Assistant could perform. However, it is important to note that each state regulates the scope of practice for Dental Assistants within that specific state.

CAREER SERVICES

For all MedCerts Students that are not affiliated with an employer partner, you also have the added benefit of Job Search Assistance including guidance with resume building, networking, interviewing, and job search tips.

ATTAINABLE CAREERS

- Dental Assistant
- Dental Office Manager
- Dental Sales
- Dental Lab Assistant

Throughout the Dental Assistant program, students will learn the skills to:

- Gain knowledge and skills in preparation to pass the RDA exam
- Discuss tooth numbering systems, dental charting, and scheduling patients according to treatment plan
- Identify important head, neck, and oral anatomy related to patient care, including anomalies and radiographic landmarks
- Demonstrate essential dental assisting skills needed for patient preparation, measurement of vital signs, and four-handed dentistry, as well as the dental assistant's role in medical emergencies
- Demonstrate basic knowledge of radiology, including guidelines, regulations, and quality assurance in radiographic imaging and mounting

While MedCerts training and related target certifications may be accepted and/or approved by your state of residency, employers reserve the right to dictate pre-requisite education, experience, or certification/licensure requirements for their positions. We strongly advise students to research target job posts from area employers and relevant state requirements, barriers, or restrictions prior to enrollment to ensure eligibility upon graduation.

This program is not eligible in the following states: IA, MA, and MT



TARGET CERTIFICATIONS

Certifications	Issuing Authority	Exam Details
Registered Dental Assistant (RDA)	American Medical Technologists (AMT)	Exam Time Limit: 2.5 hours, 200-230 questions

Course Code	Title	Hours	Weeks	Course Materials (Included)
PS-1011	Professionalism in Allied Health	32	2	None
DA-3011	Infection Control in Dental Healthcare Settings	48	3	eBook
DA-3012	Dental Anatomy, Morphology, and Physiology	48	3	eBook
DA-3013	Dental Assisting Essentials	48	3	eBook
DA-3014	Radiation Health and Safety in Dentistry	48	3	eBook

EXPERIENTIAL/CLINICAL COMPONENT:

Experiential/Clinical Component Requirements (not a requirement for DA-3000 Dental Assistant) – Once students complete this program they will be able to immediately start working with Career Services at MedCerts

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS AND DRUG SCREENING POLICY:

MedCerts does not perform criminal background checks, nor do we test students for illicit drug use. Please be advised that while MedCerts does not perform these checks, the student's drug, criminal, or immunization status may prevent clinical/externship placement and future employment as a healthcare or IT professionals. Externship sites, employers, and State Boards of Pharmacy or other regulatory boards have regulations about immunizations, drug use, and criminal backgrounds. Regulatory boards, externship sites, employers, and other organizations that may require these screenings for placement, and adverse results may prohibit you from moving forward in the program. Candidates with a felony conviction are not eligible to participate in ANY MedCerts program that includes the Pharmacy Technician certification as a primary or secondary certification

The student understands that MedCerts does not hold any control over the drug, immunization, criminal, or background screening processes or policies held by any organization outside of MedCerts.



Upon 100% completion of this program, students will receive a "MedCerts Certificate of Program Completion." This is proof of completion of training but isn't a nationally recognized certification. Students are expected to take and pass the national certification exam through the issuing authority for recognized certification in their field.

Please carefully review the above program specific information and contact your Student Success Advisor if you have any questions or require further clarification of the contents.