

New Hampshire Dental Assistant Requirements

Certification or approved/accredited training is not required for entry-level Dental Assistant jobs. MedCerts graduates set themselves apart in a competitive job market by demonstrating to employers that they hold the knowledge and skills required for job - as proven through graduation and certification.

There are often additional job titles recognized by each state's board of Dentistry, each having requirements different from what is shown below. The most closely associated job title for qualified MedCerts graduates is shown within this document. For simplification and display purposes, the shortest or simplest pathway to eligibility as a MedCerts graduate is shown along with any additional requirements beyond program completion and/or certification.

Applicants are encouraged to visit the [New Hampshire Board of Dental Examiners](#) for additional information.

Immediate Eligibility & Scope of Practice

Is dental assisting certification REQUIRED for entry level? NO

Entry Level New Hampshire Dental Assistant Job Title: Traditional Dental Assistant¹

Will I be eligible for certification after completing my program through MedCerts? YES

- MedCerts' Dental Assistant program has been reviewed and is approved by the American Medical Technologists (AMT) board, which upon completion qualifies the graduate to attempt the Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) Certification Exam.²

Can I take dental X-rays? YES, after completing 200 experiential hours in clinical dental assisting and completing a NH-approved Introduction to Dental Assisting course, qualifying in infection control, completing NHBDE expanded duty course in dental radiology, and passing DANB RHS exam.³

What else can I do as a NH Traditional Dental Assistant? Each state develops their own State Practice Act which defines the allowable duties by title.⁴

Post-Graduate/In-Field Career Advancement Opportunities

Certified Dental Assistant⁵

- Pass the DANB Certified Dental Assistant (CDA) Certification Exam and 400 hours of clinical dental assisting experience for some specific functions

Links/Resources

1. [Traditional Dental Assistant \(Den 101.07\)](#)
2. [AMT RDA Certification Disclaimer: This is an accredited AMT-certification. This does not equate to the CDA designation as defined in \[New Hampshire\]\(#\).](#)
3. [Qualification in Radiology \(DEN302.06\)](#)
4. [NH State Dental Practice Act](#)
5. [Certified Dental Assistant \(DEN 401.02\)](#)



This program is widely accepted in this state



This program has some state restrictions to consider before enrolling



This program has many restrictions or is not accepted in this state