

Oklahoma 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 [Oklahoma State Board of Dentistry](#) for additional information.

Immediate Eligibility & Scope of Practice



Is dental assisting certification **REQUIRED** for entry level? **NO**

Entry Level Oklahoma Dental Assistant Job Title: 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

Within 30 days of Employment: Submit New Dental Assistant Permit Application which includes passing a background check and completion of 2-hour Oklahoma Board-approved infection control course.³

Can I take dental X-rays? YES, after completing an OK-Approved 7-hour radiation safety and protection course, obtaining written verification of clinical competency by licensed OK dentist, and submitting an application.⁴

What else can I do as an OK Dental Assistant? Each state develops their own State Practice Act which defines the allowable duties by title.⁵

Post-Graduate/In-Field Career Advancement Opportunities

Dental Assistant with Expanded Function Permit⁶

- Obtain permit from OK Board of Dentistry for each attainable dental assistant expanded duty.

Links/Resources

1. [Oklahoma Dental Assistant \(Sec. 328.3 \(13\)\)](#)
2. [AMT RDA Certification Disclaimer: This is an accredited AMT-certification. This does not equate to the DA designation as defined in Oklahoma.](#)
3. [DA Permit Application](#)
4. [Dental Radiography](#)
5. [OK State Dental Practice Act](#)
6. [OK Approved Courses/Expanded Function](#)



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