

Vermont 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 [Vermont Board of Dental Examiners](#) for additional information.

Immediate Eligibility & Scope of Practice



Is dental assisting certification REQUIRED for entry level? NO

Entry Level Vermont 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

By Day 30: Register with the Vermont Board of Dental Examiners (VBDE)³

Can I take dental x-rays? YES, by applying for endorsement and completing CODA-accredited radiology course AND working at least six months as a dental assistant. Must then apply to VBDE.⁴

What else can I do as a Vermont Traditional 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

Certified Dental Assistant⁶

- Complete and pass the DANB Certified Dental Assistant (CDA) certification

Expanded Function Dental Assistant⁷

- Hold current DANB CDA certification
- Complete formal CODA-accredited program in expanded functions

Links/Resources

1. [Traditional DA \(Part 7\)](#)
2. [AMT RDA Certification Disclaimer: This is an accredited AMT-certification. This does not equate to the dental assisting roles as defined in Vermont.](#)
3. [DA Registration \(Part 7.5\)](#)
4. [Dental Radiology \(Part 7.13\)](#)
5. [VT State Dental Practice Act](#)
6. [Certified DA \(Part 7.8\)](#)
7. [Expanded Function DA \(Part 7.10\)](#)



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