

Wisconsin **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 <u>Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board</u> for additional information.

Immediate Eligibility & Scope of Practice

Is dental assisting certification REQUIRED for entry level? NO

Entry Level Wisconsin Dental Assistant Job Title: Dental Assistant (Unlicensed Person)¹



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



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Can I take dental X-rays? YES, there are no radiography requirements for dental assistants in the state of Wisconsin.³

What else can I do as a Wisconsin Dental Assistant (Unlicensed Person)? Each state develops their own State Practice Act which defines the allowable duties by title.⁴

Post-Graduate/In-Field Career Advancement **Opportunities**

Expanded Function Dental Auxiliary (EFDA)⁵

- Complete 2,000 of hour of verified clinical dental assisting or 1,000 hours and hold DANB CDA
- Complete 70 hours of classroom instruction by accredited institution in expanded functions
- Maintain healthcare provide CPR
- Submit application

Links/Resources

- <u>WI Dental Assistant</u>
- 2. <u>AMT RDA Certification</u> Disclaimer: This is an accredited AMT-certification. This does not equate to the EFDA designation as defined in Wisconsin.
- 3. <u>Radiography</u>
- 4. <u>State Dental Practice Act</u>
- 5. <u>EFDA (447.035)</u>





This program has some state restrictions to consider before enrolling



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