



2018 Allowable and Prohibited Duties for Dental Assistants: Montana



How to Use the Following Charts

- View which job designations are used in your state.
- Be sure to follow the legal requirements to perform dental radiographic procedures.
- See which tasks are not permitted by state law.
- Review all the allowable tasks for each level of dental assisting as published in the state practice act.

View the education/training/credential required for each level of dental assisting.

Arizona			
<p>Education/Training/Credential Required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To perform specified restorative functions in Arizona under the supervision of a licensed dentist, a dental assistant must hold an Arizona Registered Function or Restorative Certificate. To qualify, one must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pass the Arizona Council on Dental Practice (ACDP) Restorative Functioning Certificate (see requirements to obtain certificate) Successfully complete an EFDA training course approved by the Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners (ASBDE) or a Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA)-accredited program Hold DANB's AAMP, TRMP and AADP Under the supervision of a licensed dentist, perform restorative procedures equivalent to the ASBDE Clinical Exam and have 20 direct restorations and three indirect restorations and three preparation of the tooth by a licensed dentist and document these procedures on a Licensed Dental Employment Form Hold the DANB for Arizona Restorative Certificate To perform general polishing procedures in Arizona under the general supervision of a licensed dentist, a dental assistant must hold the Arizona General Polishing Certificate. To qualify, one must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pass the Dental Council of Public Health (DCPH) Exam for Arizona Restorative Certification Hold the Arizona Council on Dental Practice (ACDP) General Polishing Certificate Hold DANB's AAMP, TRMP and AADP Successfully complete the DANB Core Competency Study for Arizona Restorative Clinical Skills Alliance to DANB A dental assistant in Arizona may perform basic restorative procedures under the direct supervision of a licensed dentist. There are no education or training requirements for this level of dental assisting. 	<p>Job Title Assigned by State (A-Z)</p>	<p>Proposed Function Category (A-Z)</p> <p>Expanded Function Dental (EFD)</p> <p>Expanded Function Dental (EFD) - Restorative</p> <p>General Polishing (GP)</p> <p>Restorative (R)</p> <p>General Polishing (GP)</p> <p>Dental Assistant (DA)</p> <p>General Polishing (GP)</p> <p>Dental Assistant (DA)</p> <p>General Polishing (GP)</p> <p>Dental Assistant (DA)</p>	<p>Radiography Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In order to legally operate dental x-ray equipment and perform dental radiographic procedures in Arizona, a dental assistant must hold an Arizona Restorative Certificate in radiology. To obtain a certificate, one must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pass the national DANB Radiation Safety and Safety (RHS) exam Hold the Arizona Restorative Functioning Certificate, issued by the ACDP Be currently certified in another U.S. Restorative Functioning Certificate, issued by the ASBDE Restorative Functioning Certificate holders in Arizona must document to the ASBDE (ASBDE Restorative Functioning Certificate, which can be found at www.asbde.com) the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of dental radiographs taken in the past 12 months Number of dental radiographs taken in the past 12 months Number of dental radiographs taken in the past 12 months Number of dental radiographs taken in the past 12 months <p>The ADA/DANB Alliance on the Restorative Functioning Certificate (RHS) Study conducted from 2002-2005.</p> <p>Functions in this state that relate to the national DANB/ADAA Core Competencies Study are represented in the right, middle, and left columns of the table numbering system.</p> <p>Functions listed with numbers are part of the state's practice act but are not specific to the DANB/ADAA Core Competencies Study.</p> <p>These states implement various procedures to support a uniform practice act and ensure that dental assisting tasks, roles and requirements, which will serve as a model for other dental assistants.</p>

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Compare your state's job designations to those used as standardized job titles in the DANB/ADAA Core Competencies Study.

If your state's dental practice act specifically defines levels of supervision, the state-specific definition is noted below the chart. See Appendix B for more information about supervision.

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Education/Training/ Credential Required	Job Title According to State of MT	Proposed Standardized National Job Titles (see below)	Radiography Requirements	Functions NOT Permitted by Dental Assistants in MT
<p>A dental auxiliary in Montana may perform basic supportive dental procedures specified by the state dental practice act (see opposite page) under the direct supervision of a licensed dentist.</p> <p>To qualify, one must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graduate from a CODA-accredited dental assisting program OR Receive instruction and training by a licensed dentist OR Receive instruction and training in a board-approved continuing education course 	<p>Dental Auxiliary</p>	<p>Expanded Functions Dental Assistant (EFDA)</p> <hr/> <p>DANB Certified Dental Assistant (CDA) or Registered Dental Assistant (RDA)</p> <hr/> <p>Dental Assistant</p> <hr/> <p>Entry Level Dental Assistant</p>	<p>To legally operate dental x-ray equipment and perform dental radiographic procedures in Montana, a dental assistant <u>must</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Successfully complete the national DANB Radiation Health and Safety (RHS) exam. After successfully completing the DANB RHS exam, DANB will issue the dental assistant a DANB RHS certificate of knowledge-based competency. Dental assistants are not legally allowed to expose radiographs in Montana until they receive the RHS certificate from DANB. <p>OR Graduate from a CODA-accredited dental assisting program OR Hold a certification in dental radiography from the U.S. military</p> <p>Note: Effective Jan. 1, 2016, radiology certification from other states will no longer be accepted, with the exception of a board-approved written examination. Dental auxiliaries who acquired radiology certification in other states and were employed as dental auxiliaries in Montana prior to Jan. 1, 2016, will be grandfathered.</p> <p>The ADAA/DANB Alliance developed a listing of standardized job titles (left) based on its national Core Competencies Study conducted from 2002-2005.</p> <p>The same study utilized a list of 70 job functions which were determined to be representative of a broad range of dental assisting core competencies.</p> <p>Functions in this state that relate to the national DANB/ADAA Core Competencies Study are numbered to the right, using language directly from this state's dental practice act. (The numbers correspond to the study's task numbering system.)</p> <p>Functions listed with bullets are part of this state's practice act but are not specific matches to DANB/ADAA research.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>These state templates reflect the work done by the ADAA/DANB Alliance to support a uniform national model for one set of dental assisting tasks, levels and requirements, which will serve as a viable career ladder for dental assistants.</p> </div>	<p>The following functions are not permitted by any level of dental assistant:</p> <p>12, 33, 51. Placing, carving or condensing any permanent restorations</p> <p>46. Taking final impressions of the involved arch for crowns, bridges, implant prosthesis, partial or complete dentures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diagnosis and treatment planning Cutting hard or soft tissue or extracting teeth Prescribing any drugs Administering or dispensing any drug, without the prior authorization of the supervising dentist Administering intravenous and intramuscular injections or local anesthetic Bonding or cementing any fixed prosthesis, including veneers, except for provisionals Bonding or cementing orthodontic brackets or orthodontic appliances that would provide activation upon cementation Placing sulcular medicinal or therapeutic materials Periodontal probing Air polishing Prophylaxis

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Job Title
According to
State of MT

Allowable Functions
(Functions with numbers relate specifically to Core Competency designations;
functions with bullets are in this state's practice act but are not specific matches to DANB research)

Dental
Auxiliary

Under Direct Supervision*

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| 2. Collecting patient data | 24. Providing oral health instructions | 56. Applying topical anesthetic agents |
| 9. Coronal polishing | 27. Placing and removing rubber dams | 59. Initiating, adjusting and monitoring nitrous oxide flow for a patient who has been prescribed and administered nitrous oxide by a licensed dentist |
| 13, 62. Removing sutures and dressings | 40. Placing pit and fissure sealants | 61. Removing excess cement from coronal surfaces |
| 18. Applying topical fluoride agents | 44. Taking impressions for study or working casts | • Polishing amalgam restorations |
| 22. Making radiographic exposures as prescribed by the supervising dentist (see "Radiography Requirements" on previous page) | 45. Placing and removing matrices | |
| | 47, 50, 54, 55. Placing and removing temporary restoration with hand instruments only | |

*Direct Supervision: Treatment is provided by a dental auxiliary with the intent and knowledge of the dentist. The treatment must be performed while the dentist is on the premises.