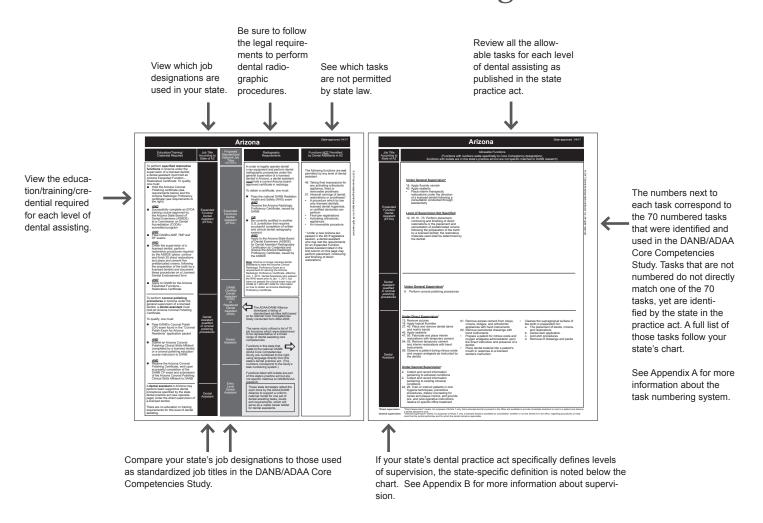


2018 Allowable and Prohibited Duties for Dental Assistants: Rhode Island

How to Use the Following Charts



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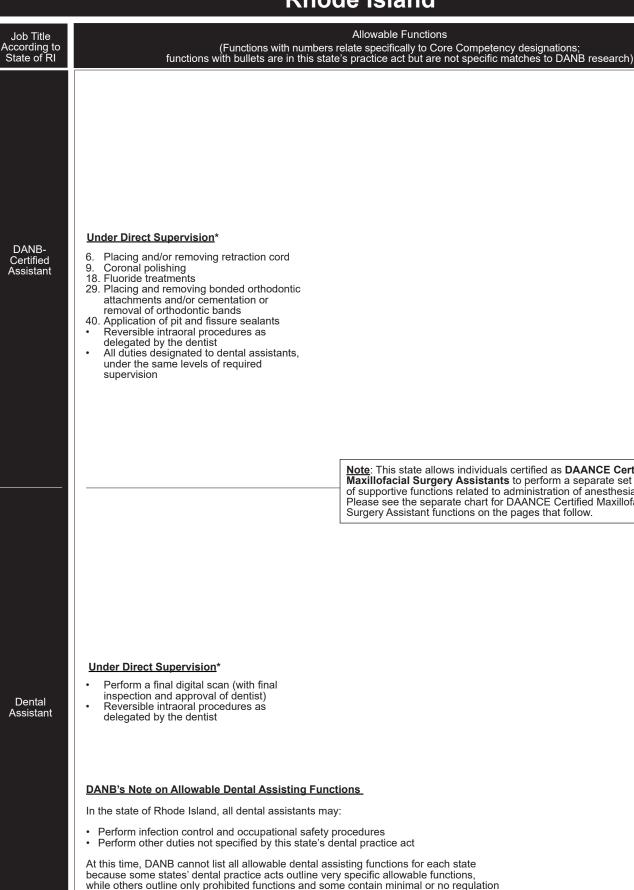
Rhode Island

Education/Training/ Credential Required	Job Title According to State of RI	Proposed Standardized National Job Titles	Radiography Requirements	Functions <u>NOT</u> Permitted by Dental Assistants in RI
To perform expanded functions in Rhode Island under the direct supervision of a licensed dentist, a dental assistant must be a DANB-Certified assistant , holding one of the following DANB national certifications: Certified Dental Assistant (CDA), Certified Orthodontic Assistant (COA), Certified Preventive Functions Dental Assistants (CPFDA), Certified Restorative Functions Dental Assistants (CRFDA), Certified Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Assistant (COMSA) or Certified Dental Practice Management Administrator (CDPMA). Note: Individuals who have passed a DANB certification exam but have not renewed certification are no longer DANB-Certified assistants. In Rhode Island, DANB-Certified assistants may perform the expanded functions listed on the opposite page provided they have graduated from a dental assisting education program that incorporated academic training in these procedures or completed	DANB- Certified Assistant	DANB Certified Dental Assistant (EFDA) Dental Assistant (CDA) or Registered Dental Assistant (CDA) or Registered Dental Assistant (RDA)	To legally operate dental x-ray equipment and perform dental radiographic procedures in the state of Rhode Island, a dental assistant <u>must</u> : • Complete a course in dental radiography from an educational institution with a CODA-accredited program	 The following functions are not permitted by any level of dental assistant: 33, 51. Condensing and carving restorative materials in teeth, except temporary restoratives 46. Taking impressions for models upon which full or partial dentures, or permanent crowns, bridges, inlays, onlays, posts and cores will be fabricated Diagnosis and treatment planning Surgical procedures on hard or soft tissue Prescribing medications Administering moderate sedation and/or general anesthetics Administering injectable local anesthetics Administering inhalants or inhalation conscious sedation agents Adjusting occlusion of fixed and removable prosthodontic appliances Final cementation of permanent crowns, bridges, inlays, onlays, and posts and cores; and insertion of final prosthesis Placement of sutures Perform direct pulp capping procedures Orthodontic arch wire activation with the exception of minor adjustments to eliminate pain or discomfort Flush root canal Temporary wire ligation Use of a rotary instrument in the oral cavity unless licensed or certified under the provisions of the Rhode Island Dental Assistants (See also §2.10.2(A)(2)(b) of the Regulations in DANB's 2018 <i>State Fact Booklet.</i>) Oral prophylaxis
A dental assistant in Rhode Island may perform dental proce- dures under the supervision of a licensed dentist, as specified by the state dental practice act (see	Dental	Dental Assistant	The ADAA/DANB Alliance developed a listing of standardized job titles (left) based on its national Core Competencies Study conducted from 2002-2005. 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.	
All dental assistants provide det (bbb in a dental assistants practicing in a dental setting shall hold a current certificate of completion. Basic Life Support (BLS) for the Healthcare Provider that includes a hands-on skill component and conforms to the current American Heart Association Guidelines Update for Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Emer- gency Cardiovascular Care (ECC) offered by any accredited agency approved by the Board. Every dental assistant in Rhode Island must receive a minimum of one (1) hour per year of train- ing in the CDC Infection Control Guidelines.	Assistant	Entry Level Dental Assistant	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.) Functions listed with bullets are part of this state's practice act but are not specific matches to DANB/ADAA research. 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.	

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Note: This state allows individuals certified as DAANCE Certified Maxillofacial Surgery Assistants to perform a separate set of supportive functions related to administration of anesthesia. Please see the separate chart for DAANCE Certified Maxillofacial Surgery Assistant functions on the pages that follow.

Dental Assistant

- Perform infection control and occupational safety procedures
- Perform other duties not specified by this state's dental practice act

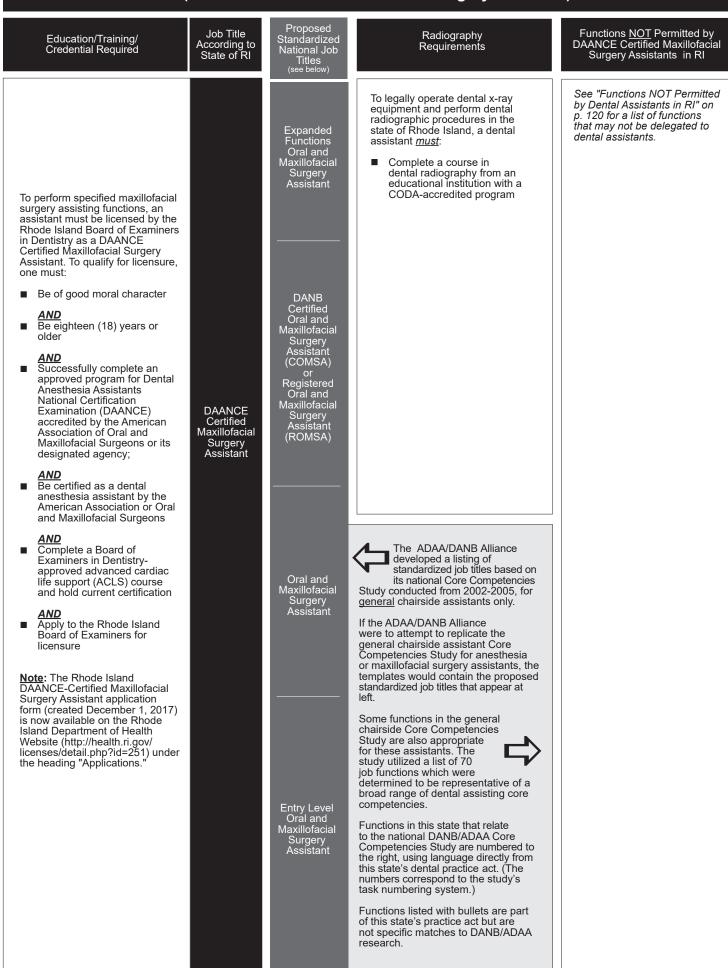
At this time, DANB cannot list all allowable dental assisting functions for each state because some states' dental practice acts outline very specific allowable functions, while others outline only prohibited functions and some contain minimal or no regulation of dental assisting duties.

*Direct Supervision:

The dentist is in the dental office, personally diagnoses the condition to be treated, personally authorizes the procedure(s)/duty(ies), remains in the dental office while the procedure(s)/duty(ies) are being performed, and examines the patient before his/her dismissal.

Rhode Island (DAANCE Certified Maxillofacial Surgery Assistant)

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	Rhode Island (DAANCE Certified Maxillofacial Surgery Assistant)				
Job Title According to State of RI	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)				
	Under Direct Visual Supervision* • Follow instructions to prepare and assist in the administration of medications • Adjust the rate of intravenous fluids infusion				
	 Adjust an electronic device to provide medications, such as an infusion pump Assist with preparation/delivery/infusion/ administration of emergency medications to a patient in order to assist the oral and maxillofacial surgeon in an emergency 				
DAANCE Certified Maxillofacial Surgery Assistant					
	 Under Direct Supervision* by an oral and maxillofacial surgeon holding a valid general anesthesia/deep sedation permit Discontinue an intravenous line for a patient who has received intravenous medications, sedation, or general anesthesia Adjust the rate of intravenous fluids infusion only to maintain or keep the line patent or open Make medications readily available for review, inspection and use by the oral and maxillofacial surgeon. 				

*Direct Supervision: The dentist is in the dental office, personally diagnoses the condition to be treated, personally authorizes the procedure(s)/duty(ies), remains in the dental office while the procedure(s)/duty(ies) are being performed, and examines the patient before his/her dismissal. Direct visual supervision: Supervision by an oral and maxillofacial surgeon (with a permit to administer deep sedation and general anesthesia) by verbal command and under direct line of sight. *Direct Supervision: