



## PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE DISCLOSURE

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### DENTAL ASSISTING

The Dental Assisting program prepares students to become skilled members of the dental health care team. Dental assistants are dental professionals who work side by side with the dentist during patient care. They greatly increase the efficiency of the dentist in the delivery of oral health care and perform a wide range of responsibilities. Qualities that make a successful dental assistant include good interpersonal, technical, communication, and organizational skills.

#### **Accreditation Status**

The program in dental assisting is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation [and has been granted the accreditation status of “initial accreditation”]. The Commission is a specialized accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education. The Commission on Dental Accreditation can be contacted at (312) 440-4653 or at 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. The Commission’s web address is: <https://coda.ada.org/>.

#### **Dental Assisting National Board**

DANB exams are recognized or required in 39 states, the District of Columbia, the U.S. Air Force and the Department of Veterans Affairs. We assist state regulatory bodies with:

- Exams and certifications
- State-specific exams
- Information and resources
- State Information - <https://www.danb.org/state-requirements/state-publications-and-services>
- State Dental Boards - <https://www.ada.org/resources/careers/licensure/state-dental-boards>

#### **Contact Information for Other Licensing Boards:**

- Northern Mariana Islands Health Care Professions Licensing Board (HCPLB) - <https://www.cnmilicensing.gov.mp/health-care-professions-licensing-board/>
- Guam Board of Examiners for Dentistry - <https://guamhplo.org/gbed>
- Puerto Rico Board of Dental Examiners - <http://www.salud.gov.pr>
- Virgin Islands Board of Dental Examiners - <https://doh.vi.gov/programs/office-professional-licensure-and-health-planning>
- Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) Department of Health & Social Affairs - <https://hsa.gov.fm/>
- Marshall Islands Ministry of Health and Human Services - <https://rmihealth.org/>
- Palau Ministry of Health - <https://www.palauhealth.org/>