

Dental Assistant Career Diploma

Penn Foster College has conducted research on all programs that lead to licensure, or certification, or endorsement, or those that a prospective or enrolled student could reasonably believe lead to such licensure, certification, or endorsement. The chart below demonstrates whether the program curriculum meets, does not meet or has not been determined to meet the educational requirements for licensure or certification that may be required for employment. This disclosure does not guarantee that the state licensing or similar regulatory body will approve an individual's request to become licensed or certified. Furthermore, this information does not account for changes in state law or regulation that may affect your application for licensure and occur after this disclosure has been made. Prospective and enrolled students should contact their state professional licensing board or similar regulatory body in the state(s) where they plan to work to review their requirements. This information is updated annually in June and updated as necessary.

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Location	Meets	Does Not Meet <i>Individuals located in these states/territories are restricted from enrolling into this program.</i>	Undetermined <i>Individuals located in these states/territories are restricted from enrolling into this program.</i>	Licensure Not Required	Information for Applicable Licensing Board
Alabama				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Alabama.aspx
Alaska				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Alaska.aspx
American Samoa				X	https://scopeofpracticepolicy.org/states/as/

Arizona				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Arizona.aspx
Arkansas				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Arkansas.aspx
California		X			https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/California.aspx
Colorado				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Colorado.aspx
Connecticut				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Connecticut.aspx
Delaware				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Delaware.aspx
District of Columbia				X	https://doh.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/doh/publication/attachments/dental_assistant_regulations%20July%2012_2013.pdf
Florida				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Florida.aspx
Georgia				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Georgia.aspx
Guam				X	https://silo.tips/download/chapter-8-guam-board-of-dental-examiner

Hawaii				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Hawaii.aspx
Idaho				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Idaho.aspx
Illinois				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Illinois.aspx
Indiana				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Indiana.aspx
Iowa				X	https://dentalboard.iowa.gov/practitioners/dental-assistants/registered-dental-assistants
Kansas				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Kansas.aspx
Kentucky				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Kentucky.aspx
Louisiana				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Louisiana.aspx
Maine				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Maine.aspx
Maryland				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Maryland.aspx

Massachusetts	X				https://www.mass.gov/doc/initial-dental-assistant-licensure-application-3/download
Michigan				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Michigan.aspx
Minnesota				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Minnesota.aspx
Mississippi				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Mississippi.aspx
Missouri				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Missouri.aspx
Montana				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Montana.aspx
Nebraska				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Nebraska.aspx
Nevada				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Nebraska.aspx
New Hampshire				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/New-Hampshire.aspx
New Jersey				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/New-Jersey.aspx

New Mexico				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/New-Mexico.aspx
New York				x	http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/dent/dentcdalic.htm
North Carolina				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/North-Carolina.aspx
Northern Mariana Islands				X	https://www.cnmilicensing.gov.mp/health-care-professions-licensing-board/
North Dakota				X	https://www.nddentalboard.org/practitioners/Assistant/index.asp
Ohio				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Ohio.aspx
Oklahoma				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Oklahoma.aspx
Oregon				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Oregon.aspx
Pennsylvania				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Pennsylvania.aspx
Rhode Island				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Rhode-Island.aspx

Puerto Rico				X	https://dentalassistedu.org/pr/
South Carolina				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/South-Carolina.aspx
South Dakota				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/South-Dakota.aspx
Tennessee	X				https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Tennessee.aspx
Texas				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Texas.aspx
US Virgin Islands				X	https://doh.vi.gov/sites/default/files/RDH%20DDS%20APPL%202021%20Rev%20Fill.pdf
Utah				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Utah.aspx
Vermont				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Vermont.aspx
Virginia				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Virginia.aspx
Washington	X				https://app.leg.wa.gov/rcw/default.aspx?cite=18.260

West Virginia				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/West-Virginia.aspx
Wisconsin				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Wisconsin.aspx
Wyoming				X	https://www.danb.org/Meet-State-Requirements/State-Specific-Information/Wyoming.aspx