



Education/Training/ Credential Required	Job Title According to State of MI	Proposed Standardized National Job Titles (see below)	Radiography Requirements	Functions NOT Permitted by Dental Assistants in MI
<p>To become licensed as a Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) in the state of Michigan, one must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive a degree or certificate from a CODA-accredited dental assisting program or a school of dental assisting meeting Michigan Board of Dentistry requirements <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pass the Michigan board comprehensive and clinical exam or pass an equivalent exam in another state (proof of out-of-state licensure required) <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apply for a license to the Michigan Board of Dentistry 	<p>Registered Dental Assistant (RDA)</p>	<p>Expanded Functions Dental Assistant (EFDA)</p> <hr/> <p>DANB Certified Dental Assistant (CDA) or Registered Dental Assistant (RDA)</p>	<p>To legally operate dental x-ray equipment and perform dental radiographic procedures in the state of Michigan, a dental assistant must successfully complete a course in dental radiography that is substantially equivalent to a course taught in a CODA-accredited program.</p>	<p>The following functions are not permitted by any level of dental assistant:</p> <p>46. Taking impressions for any purpose other than study or opposing models</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diagnosing, or prescribing for, any of the following: disease, pain, deformity, deficiency, injury, or physical condition Cutting of hard and soft tissue Removal of any of the following: accretions, stains, or calculus deposits Deep scaling Root planing Any intraoral restorative procedures Administration of any of the following: local anesthesia, nitrous oxide analgesia, or acupuncture Irrigation and medication of root canals, try-in of cones or points, filling, or filling of root canals Permanent cementation of any restoration or appliance
<p>A dental assistant in the state of Michigan may perform basic supportive dental procedures (see opposite page) specified by the state dental practice act under the direct or general supervision of a licensed dentist.</p> <p>There are no education or training requirements for this level of dental assisting.</p>	<p>Dental Assistant</p>	<p>Dental Assistant</p> <hr/> <p>Entry Level Dental Assistant</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 being 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>	

Job Title According to State of MI	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)
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Registered Dental Assistant (RDA)

<p><u>Under Direct Supervision*</u></p> <p>12, 51. Place, condense and carve amalgam restorations[†] 13. Removal of sutures 29, 47, 54. Temporary cementation and removal of temporary crowns and bands 29. Cement orthodontic bands or initial placement of orthodontic brackets</p>	<p>35, 62. Placement and removal of periodontal dressings 46. Take final impressions for indirect restorations[†] 59. Monitor the administration of nitrous oxide analgesia** • Apply in-office bleaching</p>	<p>†RDA's must first complete an approved course followed by a comprehensive clinical experience of sufficient duration that validates clinical competence through a criterion-based assessment instrument before performing these functions</p>
<p><u>Under General Supervision*</u></p> <p>6. Placing and removing nonepinephrine retraction cords** 14. Drying endodontic canals with absorbent points** 29. Sizing of temporary crowns and bands 34. Applying cavity liners and bases** 44. Taking an impression for orthodontic appliances, mouth guards, bite splints and bleaching trays** 45. Placing and removing matrices and wedges**</p>	<p>49. Performing pulp vitality testing** 50, 54. Placement and removal of nonmetallic temporary restorations • Applying desensitizing agents** • Etching and placing adhesives prior to placement of orthodontic brackets**</p>	<p>**RDA's must first complete an approved course before performing these functions</p>
<p><u>Under Assignment*</u></p> <p>1, 2. Inspecting and charting the oral cavity using a mouth mirror and radiographs 18. Application of anticariogenics after oral prophylaxis, when ordered by a licensed dentist 22. Operation of dental radiographic equipment (see "Radiography Requirements" on previous page) 27. Placement and removal of rubber dam 44. Making impressions for study and opposing models</p>	<p>47. Replacing existing temporary restorations and existing temporary crowns and temporary bridges 61. Removing excess cement from supragingival surfaces of a tooth with non-rotary instruments • Polishing specific teeth with a slow-speed rotary handpiece immediately before procedures that require acid etching, for placement of sealants, placement of resin-bonded orthodontic appliances, and</p>	<p>placement of direct restorations by the dentist • Polishing and contouring of sealants with a slow-speed rotary hand piece immediately following the procedure for the purpose of occlusal adjustment • Removing orthodontic elastics, ligatures and elastic or wire separators • Replacing elastic or wire separators</p>

Dental Assistant

<p><u>Under Direct Supervision*</u></p> <p>15. Placement and removal of orthodontic separators 15. Placement and removal of orthodontic elastics, ligatures and arch wires • Dispensing aligners</p>	<p><u>Under General Supervision*</u></p> <p>22. Operation of dental radiographic equipment (see "Radiography Requirements" on previous page) 26. Instructing in the use and care of dental appliances</p>	<p>29. Trial sizing of orthodontic bands 44. Making impressions for study and opposing models 56. Application of topical anesthetic solutions (non-aerosol) • Holding the matrix for anterior resin restorations</p>
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***Assignment:** A dentist has designated a patient of record upon whom services are to be performed by an assistant, registered dental assistant or registered dental hygienist and has described the procedure to be performed. The dentist need not be physically present in the office or in the treatment room at the time the procedures are being performed.

Direct Supervision: A dentist complies with all of the following: designates a patient of record upon whom the procedures are to be performed and describes the procedures to be performed; examines the patient before prescribing the procedures to be performed and upon completion of the procedures; and is physically present in the office at the time the procedures are being performed.

General Supervision: A dentist complies with all of the following: designates a patient of record upon whom services are to be performed; and is physically present in the office at the time the procedures are being performed.