

2025 Oregon EFPDA Certificate

Application Packet (Pathway III)

Includes an application for the following:

- Oregon Expanded Function Preventive Dental Assistant (EFPDA) certificate — Pathway III

To earn the Oregon EFPDA certificate through Pathway III, a candidate must:

1. Be certified in another state that has training and certification requirements substantially similar to Oregon's requirements or obtain verification from a licensed dentist of having been employed (outside the state of Oregon) for at least 1,000 hours in the past two years as a dental assistant performing expanded preventative functions
2. Submit application for the Oregon EFPDA certificate to DANB (see pg. 4)

DANB Contact, Forms and Policies



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When applying for a DANB-issued state certificate, you are responsible for reading, understanding, and complying with the policies and procedures in the [State Candidate Handbook](#).

Find all of DANB's policies and forms at www.danb.org/exams/forms-and-policies.

DANB accepts 2025 exam applications through Dec. 31, 2025.

Eligibility Pathways for Expanded Function Preventive Dental Assistants (EFPDA) in Oregon

Performance of expanded preventive functions by dental assistants in Oregon is regulated by the Oregon Board of Dentistry (OBD). The Dental Assisting National Board, Inc. (DANB), on behalf of the OBD, administers the EFPDA certificate program, a service that includes providing information regarding exams and certifications, distributing application materials, administering the required exams, and issuing certificates.

An Oregon EFPDA certificate allows a dental assistant to perform the following function under the indirect supervision of a licensed dentist: polish the coronal surfaces of teeth with a brush or rubber cup as part of oral prophylaxis to remove stains providing the patient is checked by a dentist or dental hygienist after the procedure is performed, prior to discharge.

An EFPDA may apply pit and fissure sealants under the indirect supervision of a dentist or dental hygienist after successful completion of a CODA-accredited program or other course approved by the Oregon Board, provided the patient is examined before the sealants are placed and the procedure is checked by a dentist or dental hygienist prior to dismissal of the patient. Sealants must be placed within 45 days of the procedure being authorized by a dentist or dental hygienist.

To perform expanded preventive functions in Oregon under the supervision of a licensed dentist, a dental assistant must earn status as an Expanded Function Preventive Dental Assistant (EFPDA). To qualify, one must meet the requirements of one of the following pathways:

Pathway I

1. Hold an Oregon Certificate of Radiologic Proficiency (ORCR)
- AND**
2. Successfully complete a Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA)-accredited dental assisting program and submit graduation documentation
- AND**
3. Apply to DANB for the for Oregon EFPDA certificate

Pathway II

1. Hold an Oregon Certificate of Radiologic Proficiency (ORCR), **AND**
2. Pass the DANB Infection Control (ICE®) exam*, **AND**
3. Pass one of the following exams:
 - a) DANB Coronal Polishing (CP) exam **OR**
 - b) DANB Certified Preventive Functions Dental Assistant (CPFDA) exam **OR**
 - c) Oregon Expanded Functions — General Dental Assisting exam (ORXG)
- AND**
4. Provide endorsement from a dentist licensed in Oregon stating that the applicant has completed clinical requirements, **AND**
5. Apply to DANB for the for Oregon EFPDA certificate

Pathway III

(contact vipservice@danb.org to confirm eligibility and request a pathway 3 application)

1. Be certified in another state with requirements similar to Oregon's
- OR**
Obtain verification from a licensed dentist of having been employed (outside the state of Oregon) for at least 1,000 hours in the past two years as a dental assistant performing permitted expanded preventive functions
- AND**
2. Apply to DANB for the for Oregon EFPDA certificate

** Candidates who passed the Oregon Basic (ORB) exam prior to its discontinuation in January 2024 may still use their ORB results to qualify for an Oregon expanded function certificate.*

Inquiries regarding DANB exams, eligibility requirements and certificates should be addressed to DANB.

*Inquiries regarding the state dental practice act should be addressed to:
Oregon Board of Dentistry, 1500 SW 1st Ave., Ste. #770, Portland, OR 97201,
or call 1-971-673-3200*

Application Statements

Please read the following Application Statements carefully. The Application Statements apply to all DANB-administered national and state-specific exams, certificate and certification renewal applications. The candidate's signature on the application indicates understanding and agreement to be legally bound by these statements.

1. I hereby apply to the Dental Assisting National Board, Inc. (DANB) for examination, a certificate and/or certification, in accordance with and subject to the procedures and policies of DANB and the regulations and requirements of any state agency on behalf of which DANB administers an exam or certificate program. Under penalty of perjury, I declare that the information provided on my application is true. I have read and agree to the requirements and conditions set forth in the DANB application packet, and the Candidate Handbook or State Candidate Handbook if applicable, covering eligibility for and the administration of exams, certificates, the certification process, and DANB policies, including but not limited to DANB's Code of Professional Conduct and DANB's Disciplinary Policy & Procedures. I agree to disqualification from the exam, to denial of an exam result, certificate or certification, and to forfeiture and return to DANB of any exam result, certificate granted me by DANB, in the event that any of the answers or statements made by me in this application are false, or in the event that I violate any DANB rules or policies. I agree to comply with any investigation in which I am named, and I authorize DANB to make whatever inquiries and investigations it deems necessary to verify my eligibility, credentials or professional standing.
2. I hereby release DANB, its directors, officers, examiners and agents from any and all liability arising out of or in connection with any action or omission by any of them in connection with this application, the certification process, any exam administered by DANB, any scoring relating thereto, the failure to issue me an exam result, certificate, or any demand for forfeiture or return of such exam result, certificate, and I agree to indemnify DANB and said persons and hold them harmless from any lawsuit, complaint, claim, loss, damage, cost or expense, including attorneys' fees, arising out of or in connection with said credentialing activities which include all DANB-administered exams and certificates. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE DECISION AS TO WHETHER I HAVE MET REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO A DANB-ADMINISTERED EXAM OR RECEIPT OF A DANB-ADMINISTERED EXAM RESULT, CERTIFICATE OR CERTIFICATION RESTS SOLELY AND EXCLUSIVELY WITH DANB AND THAT THE DECISION OF DANB IS FINAL. Notwithstanding the above, should I file suit against DANB, I agree that any such action shall be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of Illinois without regard to conflicts of law. I further agree that any such action shall be brought in the Circuit Court of Cook County in the State of Illinois, or the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois; I consent to the jurisdiction of such state and federal courts; and I agree that the venue of such courts is proper. I further agree that should I not prevail in any such action, DANB shall be entitled to all costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, incurred in connection with the litigation.
3. I understand that except as provided below, this application and any information or material received or generated by DANB in connection with this application or the exam process will be kept confidential and will not be released unless I have authorized such release or the release is required by law. I understand that DANB will verify receipt of any DANB exam application and the date received, on request. I further understand and agree that DANB may also provide verification to anyone by phone, by mail or on DANB's website regarding whether I hold any DANB certifications, any DANB certificates of knowledge-based competence and any state-specific certificates administered by DANB on behalf of a state regulatory body. Phone and mail verification will be provided to anyone upon request and will consist of oral or written confirmation of whether I hold any DANB-administered credentials and the effective dates for each credential. Online verification through DANB's website may consist of online display of my name, the DANB-administered credentials I hold and dates earned, current DANB certification status, and my city and state of residence. My full address will not be posted online by DANB. I further understand and agree that DANB may, from time to time, provide my name, address, phone number to third parties (including but not limited to official DANB affiliates, potential employers; dental conference sponsors; federal, national or state organizations; or legislative committees or task forces proposing or informing stakeholders of legislation). I further understand that this consent will remain in effect unless and until I submit a written request to have this information omitted from release. I understand that if I do not want DANB to display my city and state of residence as part of the online verification process, then I must submit a written request for omission of this information to the following address: DANB Communications Department, 444 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 900, Chicago, IL 60611. I understand that my name, credentials held [issued by DANB as described above] and current DANB certification status will be displayed for everyone; opting out of display of information is only possible for an individual's city and state.
4. I understand that by providing my email address on the application form, or by providing it through my online DANB account, I am consenting to receive email messages from DANB and its official affiliates related to their products and services or news affecting the oral healthcare profession. I understand that DANB agrees not to provide my email address to any other third party, excluding federal, national or state regulatory bodies, without my consent, and that I can request removal from DANB's email distribution list by following the directions contained in the Privacy Policy section of DANB's Terms and Conditions of Use of DANB.org, located at www.danb.org.
5. I authorize DANB to release my exam results and credential status to state regulatory agencies. Individuals cannot opt out of DANB release of exam results or credential status to state regulatory agencies. I also authorize DANB to use information from my application and exam(s) for statistical analysis, providing that any personal identification is deleted.
6. I understand that I can be disqualified from taking or continuing to sit for an exam, from receiving exam results or certificate and from obtaining certification if DANB determines through proctor observation, statistical analysis or any other means that I was engaged in collaborative, disruptive or other unacceptable behavior before, during the administration of, or following the exam.
7. I understand that the content of all DANB exams is proprietary and strictly confidential information. I hereby agree that I will not disclose, either directly or indirectly, any question or any part of any question from the exam to any person or entity. I understand that the unauthorized receipt, retention, possession, copying or disclosure of any DANB exam materials, including but not limited to the content of any exam question, before, during or after the exam may subject me to legal action. Such legal action may result in monetary damages and/ or disciplinary action including rescinding exam results and denying or revoking certification. I agree to comply with any investigation regarding my behavior, acts or omissions, related to DANB exams, certificates and/or certifications.
8. I understand that for each application submitted, DANB will process the appropriate payment. If I fail to show up for an exam for which I have applied, and there is no documented DANB-accepted emergency, and I failed to comply with DANB cancellation policies, I am still obligated to pay the full exam fee. I further understand that taking the exam and then revoking payment constitutes the wrongful use of DANB products and services and I may be subjected to legal action. I am obligated to pay for the exam whether I pass or fail. I agree not to dispute the exam fee. Exam results will be rescinded if the exam fee is not paid in full.



2025 Oregon EFPDA Certificate Application – Pathway III

This application will be accepted through Dec. 31, 2025.

Candidate must:

1. Sign, date and submit application, all required documentation, and nonrefundable \$150 fee (\$100 application fee and \$50 certificate fee) to DANB.
2. Submit completed *Out-of-State Credential Verification* form or *Out-of-State Work Experience Verification* form with your application

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Incomplete applications will be denied.

Section A: Signature and Date (Please sign and date with a pen.)

I hereby affirm that my answers to all questions are true and correct, I have met all eligibility requirements, and I will comply with all DANB and OBD policies and procedures. I further affirm that I have read and understood the Application Statements contained in this packet, and I intend to be legally bound by them. I understand that the certificate fee is not refundable under any circumstances. I hereby apply in accordance with the rules and regulations governing the certificate. I hereby agree that prior or subsequent to issuance, the OBD or DANB may investigate my eligibility and may refuse to issue the certificate and such refusal may not and shall not be questioned by me in any court of law or equity or other tribunal, nor shall I have any claim in the event of such refusal to a return of the certificate fee accompanying the application.

Signature Date

Section B: Candidate Information (Please type or print with a pen.)

Last Four SSN Date of Birth

Name (must match current ID exactly):

Last First Middle Name/Initial

Prior Name (if applicable) Email (required)

Home Address City State Zip

Phone Numbers (at least one is required):

Office Cell or Home

Section C: Eligibility Information

- ☐ Out-of-state credential: Must mail *Out-of-State Work Credential Verification* form in a sealed envelope from the state board (p. 5)
- ☐ Out-of-state work experience: Must mail *Out-of-State Work Experience Verification* form in a sealed envelope from the licensed dentist (p. 6)

Section D: Payment (Please type or print with a pen.)

- ☐ Check/Money Order payable to DANB (must include candidate's name and be in U.S. dollars)
- ☐ Credit Card Authorization (VISA, MasterCard, Discover & American Express accepted): Amount **\$150.00** (nonrefundable)

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Certificate

Credit Card Number CVV Expiration /

Cardholder's Name

Cardholder's Billing Address City

State Zip Daytime Phone Number

Cardholder's Signature

By signing, the cardholder acknowledges intent to apply for the certificate shown above in the amount of the total shown hereon and agrees to perform the obligations set forth in the cardholder's agreement with the issuer. (See the *Application Statements* for further requirements.)

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Questions? 800-367-3262 or danbmail@danb.org

Email application to: financefax@danb.org
Do not submit twice or you will be charged twice.



2025 Out-of-State Credential Verification Form

This form will be accepted through Dec. 31, 2025.

1. Must be filled out completely by the state dental board.
2. Submit this form with your certificate application. DANB will verify out-of-state credentials with the state of origin.

Section A: Candidate Information

Name	<input type="text"/>			
Credential Number	<input type="text"/>	Date Issued	<input type="text"/>	
Address	<input type="text"/>	City	<input type="text"/>	State <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> Zip <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>

Section B: Credential Information

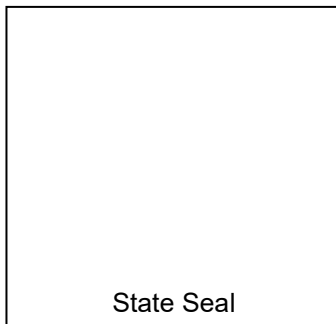
I hereby attest that the above-named candidate was granted license/certificate number to perform the following allowable expanded functions in the State of on the basis of successfully passing the following examination(s):

- ☐ Clinical examination
- ☐ Written examination

Allowable expanded functions in this state **MUST** include:

- ✓ Polish the coronal surfaces of teeth with a brush or rubber cup as part or oral prophylaxis to remove stains

Secretary Signature Date



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2025 Out-of-State Work Experience Form

This form will be accepted through Dec. 31, 2025.

1. Must be filled out completely by dentist licensed in a state other than of Oregon.
2. Submit this form with your certificate application. DANB will contact the dentist to verify the signed statement.

Section A: Dentist's Information

Licensed Dentist's Name	<input type="text"/>	Email (required)	<input type="text"/>
License Number	<input type="text"/>	State Issued	<input type="text"/>
Dental Practice Address	<input type="text"/>		City <input type="text"/>
State <input type="text"/>	Zip <input type="text"/>	Office Phone Number	<input type="text"/>

Section B: Work Experience

A licensed dentist, licensed in any state other than Oregon (license will be verified by DANB staff), from any country, can assess the work experience of a dental assistant in the country that the verifying dentist supervised/trained the dental assistant for whom he/she is completing a DANB Out-of-State Work Experience Verification Form.

Candidate Name

I hereby attest that the above-named candidate has worked at least 1,000 hours in the past two years as a dental assistant where such employment involved to a significant extent performing all expanded functions, and all functions and were performed on a live patient. Any functions performed on typodonts will not be accepted.

Dates candidate was employed: From / To /
Month Year Month Year

If an assistant has worked as a dental assistant for more than one dentist during the required time period, the dentist may verify all work experience, or the candidate may attach a letter on office letterhead from all dentists worked for during the time period. Each letter must be signed and dated by the dentist and include the dentist's license number, the month and year the assistant began and ended employment, if the assistant was employed full or part time and that the assistant worked as a dental assistant. This form must be completed by at least one of the candidate's current or former employers and included with the application. DANB will accept multiple work experience verification forms in lieu of letters from former employers.

By signing this form, I further attest that I have personally trained or can verify that the candidate has been trained and is proficient in the following areas and that all functions listed are legally allowable in the state the candidate accrued dental assisting work experience:

- ✓ Polish the coronal surfaces of teeth with a brush or rubber cup as part or oral prophylaxis to remove stains

Dentist's Signature Date

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Application Checklist

Have you:

- ☐ Read the instructions and information in this application packet?
- ☐ Read and agreed to be bound by Oregon and DANB rules, regulations, policies and procedures as noted in this application packet? (See Application Statements, p.3)
- ☐ Filled out the certificate application in its entirety?
- ☐ Signed and dated the certificate application?
- ☐ Enclosed the certificate fee or provided credit card information?
- ☐ Made a copy of your entire application packet for your records?
- ☐ Included your Out-of-State Credential Verification form or Out-of-State Work Experience form?
- ☐ Addressed your envelope OR prepared your information to be emailed?

Mail to:

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Email credit card payments only to:

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If you have not:

- completed the application in full,
- signed, dated and enclosed your application, and
- provided payment (check, money order, cashier's check) or payment information (credit card)

your application will be considered incomplete and will not be processed.

Incomplete certificate applications will be denied and the \$100 nonrefundable application fee and \$50 nonrefundable certificate fee will be retained by DANB.

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