



**Success Spotlight:** Ana Hemmer Published February 2024

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Program: Adult Education Location: Kosciusko County

## **STORY**

Ana Hemmer earned her high school equivalency in 2016 after working with a local WorkOne office. She is now employed as a dental assistant at Dr. William Myers Dentistry in Warsaw. Along the way, she has not only gained confidence and valuable job skills but has also benefited from education-related financial assistance provided by WorkOne and her employer.

Following her initial experience with WorkOne, she returned there early in 2022 to learn more about pursuing a dental assistant certification. The additional education would require her to drive one hour for every class at Ocean Pointe Dental Academy, but she knew the commute would be well worth her time and commitment.





In addition to earning her certificate, Ana interned at Miracle Lane Family Dentistry and completed an additional 50 hours of training with William B. Stofer DDS.

"I just want to show my girls that you can always grow and accomplish new things in life, no matter the circumstances," she said.

She completed the Radiology Health and Safety exam through the Dental Assisting National Board in September 2022 and was hired at Dr. William Myers Dentistry that same month. Two months later, she earned a coronal polishing certificate.

Ana will begin preparations in fall 2024 for the Certified Dental Assistant Exam. She plans to take that exam in 2025.