



## Registered Dental Assistant (RDA)

Certification website: [RDA-Content.pdf \(americanmedtech.org\)](https://www.americanmedtech.org/RDA-Content.pdf)

### Credential Summary

The daily responsibilities of dental assistants can vary depending on where they are employed. Dental assistants typically organize and prep the tools and equipment that dentists use during procedures. Assistants also aid in tasks such as patient care and office administration.

### Overview

- **Related Instructional Hours:** 300
- **Exam details:** Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) exam
- **Third party testing provider:** Pearson Vue
- **Exam cost:** \$100
- **Renewal details:** Renewal requires:
  - \$75 annual fee is paid
  - earn 30 CCP points every 3 years

### Job Opportunities

- **Relevant SOC codes**
  - Dental Assistant 31-9091
- **Demand information**
  - Average flame ranking = 4.0/5
- **Average Wages**
  - \$43,920 (21.12 per hour)  
(Average wages pulled as of October 2023)

### Knowledge, Skills, and Competencies

- Dental Sciences
- Office Assisting Skills
- Clinical Procedures
- Dental Imaging

### Post Secondary Relevance

- **Next level programs of study**
  - Dental Careers
  - Advanced Dental Careers

### Industry Support

- Ross Medical Education Center
- Caris College