3. Does your state license dental assistants, and if so, for what/at what level?

State	Yes	No	Comments
Ohio	X		We certify dental assistants who take radiographs, and we also register expanded function dental assistants who are allowed to do procedures involving the placement of restorative materials (amalgam and non-metallic restorative materials, including direct-bonded restorative materials), and placement of sealants, all under direct supervision.
Alabama		X	Alabama does not currently require any registration, permitting or license for dental assistants, although our dental assisting programs throughout the state encourage DANB certification of their program participants.
Colorado		X	No
Georgia		X	No
Iowa		X	Yes, Iowa registers all dental assistants. In addition to registration, Iowa requires a special qualification in dental radiography if the dental assistant engages in radiography.
Kansas		X	We do not license or certify dental assistants. We have regs for assisting with nitrous, and we have a scaling assistant level, they must have a course in supragingival scaling, it is unique to our state.
Kentucky		X	We do not license, but certify dental assistants for radiography and coronal polishing.
Louisiana		X	No
Mississippi		X	We do not "license" dental assistants-we only issue radiology permits. Also, all dental auxiliaries (dental hygienists and dental assistants) are allowed to monitor patients under anesthesia in MS.
Montana		X	No
Nevada		X	No licensing of Dental Assistants, only require dentists to list those assisting with radiographs on their biennial renewal forms to certify training in appropriately and safely taking radiographs
North Dakota		X	NO, registration only.
Oregon		X	We do not.
Rhode Island		X	No
South Carolina		X	No
Tennessee		X	TN registers dental assistants and the following certifications can be added: Monitoring of nitrous oxide; Coronal Polishing; Application of Sealants; Restorative functions; Prosthetic functions; Dental Radiographs
Virginia		X	No, not now but we are working on recognizing 2 levels of dental assisting.
Washington DC		X	There are no regulations for licensure, certification or registrations of dental assistants.

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Missouri	X	Missouri currently issues a certificate to assistants allowing them to assist in the administration and monitoring of nitrous oxide. We also issue certificates allowing assistants to perform specific expanded function duties.
Massachusetts		Do not license dental assistants currently, but the Mass Dental Society is pushing for it – we are revising our regulations and may include licensing of dental assistants. Currently issue radiography certificates to dental assistants. Also regulate the level of supervision required for dental assistants.
Washington		There is delegation of do's and don'ts in current dental law, As of July 1, 2008 DA's will have a registration requirement but no required education or examination. the same or similar do's and don'ts will continue. Regarding expanded, as of December 2008 a NEW type of license, EFDA license, education and examination required. EFDAs will be able to do everything an assistant can do plus restorative and take final impressions.

Yes: 1 No: 18 Other: 2

Alaska		X	
Arizona	X		Do not license or register: Require certificate for X-Ray; Certificate for Coronal Polishing
Arkansas	X		Registered: Expanded functions; training required; Testing: employer Renewal: 2 years
California	X		Licensed: RDA, RDAEF Testing: state Renewal: biennial
Connecticut		X	
Delaware		X	
Florida		X	Practice Act allows expanded duties Testing: Recognized ADA and DANB
Hawaii		X	
Idaho	X		Certificate: Expanded function: Training: Approved courses Testing: Other
Illinois		X	Duties Delegable
Indiana		X	
Maine	X		Licensed: Radiographer Testing: DANB Renewal: Radiation Tech only
Maryland	X		Certified by DANB; DA in Ortho, radiation, general; Training: Specific areas with specific
			hours Testing: DANB Renewal: Radiation Tech only
Michigan	X		Licensed: Expanded function Training: ADA accredited Testing: State Renewal: every 3
			years
Minnesota	X		Registered: expanded functions and restorative endorsement available Training: Yes
			Testing: State Renewal: Biennial

Nebraska		X	Duties Delegable
New Hampshire	X		Qualified: qualified in specific functions with training required
New Jersey	X		Registered: Expanded function in Ortho Training: 2 yrs experience or ADA accredited
-			Testing: DANB or approved school Renewal: biennial
New Mexico	X		Certified for X-Ray: expanded function with training required Testing: yes Renewal: yes
New York	X		Licensed: defined duties Training: NY State Licensure Qualifying Program Testing:
			DANB Renewal: Annual
North Carolina	X		Regulated not licensed or registered: DAI and DAII. Training required for DAII not DAI
			Testing: no Renewal: no
Oklahoma	X		Regulated/Registered: Expanded duties Training: yes Testing: other Renewal: annual
Pennsylvania	X		Certified for Expanded Function only: X-ray certified Training: yes Testing: X-ray exterior
			assessment Renewal: Biennial upon permanent certification
Puerto Rico	X		Licensed: Training: ADA accredited Testing: State Renewal: every 3 yrs
South Dakota	X		Licensed: Advanced DA and Radiographer Training: ADA accredited Testing: DANB
			Renewal: annual
Texas	X		Registered: Training: yes Testing: State or DANB Renewal: annual
Utah		X	
Vermont	X		Registered/Certified: Traditional DA and Certified DA Training: On the job Testing: CDA
			pass DANB Renewal: both biennial
Virgin Islands	?	?	
West Virginia	X		Certificates for certain expanded functions Training: yes Testing: board courses
Wisconsin		X	
Wyoming	X		Licensed: X-ray Training: yes Testing: Other Renewal: annual