

## **Medical Assisting (A45400, D45400)**

Craven Community College's Medical Assisting programs are designed to prepare multi-skilled professionals to perform administrative, clinical, and laboratory procedures. A selective admissions program, the Medical Assisting program begins once a year in the fall semester. Coursework includes instruction in scheduling appointments, coding and processing insurance accounts, billing, collections, medical transcription, computer operations, assisting with examinations/treatments, performing routine laboratory procedures, electrocardiography, supervised medication administration, and ethical/legal issues associated with patient care.

Craven's Medical Assisting Diploma program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs ([CAAHEP](#)) upon recommendation of the Medical Assisting Education Review Board (MAERB). Only graduates of medical assisting programs accredited by CAAHEP or the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools ([ABHES](#)) are eligible to take the CMA (AAMA) Certification Exam. The National Board of Medical Examiners ([NBME](#)), responsible for many national examinations for physicians, including the United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE), constructs and administers the CMA Certification Exam. As a result, the reliability and validity of the CMA (AAMA) credential are of the highest order.

Graduates of Craven's Medical Assisting program are eligible to sit for national certification through the American Association of Medical Assistants ([AAMA](#)) to become a Certified Medical Assistant (CMA), for certification through American Medical Technologists ([AMT](#)) as a Registered Medical Assistant (RMA), and for certification through the National Healthcareer Association ([NHA](#)) as a CCMA.

## **Licensing**

Medical assistants typically are not required to hold licensure or certification. However, employers generally prefer to hire medical assistants who are certified.

Although you can lawfully work as a Medical Assistant in North Carolina with no certification, to be competitive in the job market nearly all Medical Assistants are certified because many employers typically demand a certificate. The American Medical Association (AMA) acknowledges two certifications for medical assistants, the **Certified Medical Assistant (CMA)** and the **Registered Medical Assistant (RMA)**. Obtaining one of these certifications will considerably increase your work possibilities and compensation.

For a compendium of state laws regulating medical assistants, visit the following website:

<https://americanmedtech.org/Portals/0/PDF/ProfessionalPractice/Compendium%20of%20State%20Laws%20for%20MA%20Practice.pdf?ver=yWyg0SiE-vxc4Gj3CLsTJw%3D%3D>

For a database of state Scope of Practice/Delegable Duties laws for medical assistants, visit the following website: <https://www.aama-ntl.org/publications/state-scope-of-practice-laws>

A list of licensing/regulatory contacts relative to the practice of medical assisting follows. Note that whereas the majority of states do not regulate the practice of medical assisting, those that do impose certification/licensure requirements are so noted.

## **Alabama**

Alabama State Board of Medical Examiners

<https://www.albme.org>

334-242-4116

[bme@albme.gov](mailto:bme@albme.gov)

Alabama Board of Medical Examiners

P.O. Box 946

Montgomery, AL 36101

\*Additional Information: Alabama does not require certification in order to work as a medical assistant. However, certification can be obtained through medical assistant programs in the state. Alabama does not directly reference medical assistants in state code. The Legal Counsel of the American Association of Medical Assistants provided an interpretation of scope of practice, stating that it's his belief that Alabama physicians can delegate reasonable duties including phlebotomy and blood draws and that delegation can take place through intermediary professionals (e.g. physician assistants, registered nurses).

## **Alaska**

Alaska Department of Health and Social Services

<https://health.alaska.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

907-269-7800

[heidi.hedberg@alaska.gov](mailto:heidi.hedberg@alaska.gov)

Heidi Hedberg, Commissioner

Alaska Department of Health and Social Services

3601 C Street, Suite 902

Anchorage, AK 99503-5923

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Alaska are not required to possess a certification, registration or medical assisting license to work as a medical assistant.

## **Arizona**

Arizona Medical Board

<https://www.azmd.gov/>

480-551-2700

<https://www.azmd.gov/Misc/ContactUSEmail?board=MD&contactType=0>

Arizona Medical Board

1740 W Adams, Suite 4000

Phoenix, AZ 85007

\*Additional Information: In Arizona, the AZ Medical Board defines the Medical Assistant Rules but they do not require national certification or a state license, however most employers do demand national certification.

## **Arkansas**

Arkansas State Medical Board  
<https://www.armedicalboard.org/>  
501-296-1802  
[support@armedicalboard.org](mailto:support@armedicalboard.org)  
Arkansas State Medical Board  
1401 West Capitol Avenue, Suite 340  
Little Rock, AR 72201-2936

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Arkansas are not required to possess a certification, registration or medical assisting license to work as a medical assistant.

## **California**

The Medical Board of California  
<https://www.mbc.ca.gov/>  
916-263-2382  
[webmaster@mbc.ca.gov](mailto:webmaster@mbc.ca.gov)  
The Medical Board of California  
2005 Evergreen St., Suite 1200  
Sacramento, CA 95815

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants are not required to be licensed. Their employer's insurance coverage may require certification through a national or private organization.

<https://mbc.ca.gov/FAQs/?cat=Licensees&topic=Medical%20Assistants#:~:text=Medical%20assistants%20are%20not%20required%20to%20be%20licensed,be%20certified%20by%20a%20national%20or%20private%20as%20society>

## **Colorado**

Colorado Division of Professions and Occupations - Medical  
<https://dpo.colorado.gov/Medical>  
303-894-7800  
[dora\\_dpo\\_licensing@state.co.us](mailto:dora_dpo_licensing@state.co.us)  
Division of Professions and Occupations - Medical  
1560 Broadway, Suite 1350  
Denver, CO 80202

\*Additional Information: Colorado law does not require medical assistants to be licensed or certified. However, doing so does increase chances of employment.

## **Connecticut**

Connecticut State Department of Public Health

<https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/Medicalassistant/Medical-Assistant-Information>

860-509-7603

[oplc.dph@ct.gov](mailto:oplc.dph@ct.gov)

Connecticut State Department of Public Health

Practitioner Licensing and Investigations Section

410 Capitol Avenue, MS# 12 APP

P.O Box 340308

Hartford, CT 06134

\*Additional Information: Connecticut law does not require medical assistants to be certified. Medical assistants in Connecticut are not required to have any particular training or education.

<https://portal.ct.gov/dph/practitioner-licensing--investigations/medicalassistant/medical-assistant-information>

<https://portal.ct.gov/dph/practitioner-licensing--investigations/medicalassistant/ct-residents-certified-by-the-american-association-of-medical-assistants>

## **Delaware**

Delaware Division of Professional Regulation

<https://dpr.delaware.gov/>

302-744-4500

[customerservice.dpr@delaware.gov](mailto:customerservice.dpr@delaware.gov)

Division of Professional Regulation

Cannon Building, Suite 203

861 Silver Lake Blvd.

Dover, DE 19904

\*Additional Information: Delaware does not regulate the medical assistant profession. It is assumed that the physician or nurse is required to supervise and take responsibility for the medical assistant.

<https://medical-assistant.us/cma-delaware/>

## **District of Columbia**

D.C. Department of Health

<https://dchealth.dc.gov/service/health-professionals>

202-442-5955

[doh@dc.gov](mailto:doh@dc.gov)

D.C. Department of Health

2201 Shannon Place Southeast

Washington DC 20020

\*Additional Information: The District of Columbia does not license medical assistants; instead, hiring requirements are left to the discretion of employers.

<https://dchealthcareers.org/certified-medical-assistant/>

## **Florida**

Florida Department of Health

<http://www.floridahealth.gov/licensing-and-regulation/index.html>

850-245-4444

[health@flhealth.gov](mailto:health@flhealth.gov) or <https://wa-oit-contactus-prd.azurewebsites.net/AddressBooks/Index>

Florida Department of Health

4052 Bald Cypress Way

Tallahassee, FL 32301

\*Additional Information: Medical Assistants are not licensed in Florida; however, a medical assistant may become certified through the American Association of Medical Assistants.

## **Georgia**

Georgia Composite Medical Board

<https://medicalboard.georgia.gov/about-us>

404-656-3913

[medbd@dch.ga.gov](mailto:medbd@dch.ga.gov)

Georgia Composite Medical Board

2 Martin Luther King Jr Drive Southeast

East Tower, 11th Floor

Atlanta, GA 30334

\*Additional Information: The Georgia Medical Board doesn't define medical assistant functions but offers guidance on who in the medical field does. The State of Georgia doesn't require medical assistants to obtain national certification for employment, however many employers do require a certificate.

## **Guam**

Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services

<https://dphss.guam.gov/>

671-735-7404 through extension #7411

[publichealth@dphss.guam.gov](mailto:publichealth@dphss.guam.gov)

Department of Public Health and Social Services

123 Chalan Kareta,

Mangilao, Guam 96913-6304

\*Additional Information: Medical assisting is not typically a state-licensed/certified profession. This means that medical assistants do not typically need specific credentials to practice in the field.

## **Hawai'i**

Hawaii Professional & Vocational Licensing Division (PVL)

<http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/>

808-586-3000

[pvl@dcca.hawaii.gov](mailto:pvl@dcca.hawaii.gov)

Hawaii Professional & Vocational Licensing Division (PVL)

King Kalakaua Building

335 Merchant Street

Honolulu, HI 96813

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Hawaii are not required to possess a certification, registration or medical assisting license to work as a medical assistant.

## **Idaho**

Idaho Board of Medicine

<https://dopl.idaho.gov/bom/>

208-334-3233

[HP-Licensing@dopl.idaho.gov](mailto:HP-Licensing@dopl.idaho.gov)

Idaho Board of Medicine

PO Box 83720

Boise, ID 83720

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Idaho are not required to possess a certification, registration or medical assisting license to work as a medical assistant.

## **Illinois**

Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR)

<https://www.idfpr.com/>

888-473-4858

<https://idfpr.illinois.gov/contact/idfprcontact.html>

IDFPR – Chicago Office

or

IDFPR – Springfield Office

555 West Monroe Street, 5th Floor

320 West Washington Street, 3rd Floor

Chicago, IL 60661

Springfield, IL 62768

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Illinois are not required to possess a certification, registration or medical assisting license to work as a medical assistant.

## **Indiana**

Indiana Professional Licensing Agency

<https://secure.in.gov/pla/professions/medical-physicians-and-osteopathic-physicians-home/>

317-232-2960

[pla3@pla.in.gov](mailto:pla3@pla.in.gov)

Indiana Professional Licensing Agency

Indiana Government Center South, Room W072

402 West Washington Street

Indianapolis, IN 46204

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Indiana are not required to possess a certification, registration or license to work as a medical assistant.

## **Iowa**

Iowa Department of Public Health - Iowa Board of Nursing

<https://dial.iowa.gov/about-dial/boards/board-nursing>

515-281-5171

<https://dial.iowa.gov/about-dial/contact-us>

Iowa Department of Public Health - Iowa Board of Nursing

Department of Inspections, Appeals and Licensing

6200 Park Avenue

Suite 100

Des Moines, IA 50321

\*Additional Information: In Iowa, neither the Medical Board or the state legislature require medical assistants to be state licensed or certified nationally. However, employers may require it for employment.

## **Kansas**

Kansas State Board of Healing Arts

<http://www.ksbha.org/formpages/licensureforms.shtml>

785-296-7413

[KSBHA\\_Licensing@ks.gov](mailto:KSBHA_Licensing@ks.gov)

Kansas State Board of Healing Arts

800 SW Jackson, Lower Level - Suite A

Topeka, KS 66612

\*Additional Information: Kansas does not license medical assistants. However, some employers do require it for employment or promotion.

## **Kentucky**

Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure

<https://kbml.ky.gov/Pages/index.aspx>

502-429-7150

<https://kbml.ky.gov/Pages/contact.aspx>

Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure

310 Whittington Parkway

Suite 1B

Louisville, KY 40222

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Kentucky are not required to possess a certification, registration or license to work as a medical assistant.

## **Louisiana**

Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners

<http://www.lsbme.la.gov/>

504-568-6820

[licensing@lsbme.la.gov](mailto:licensing@lsbme.la.gov)

Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners

630 Camp Street,

New Orleans, LA 70130

\*Additional Information: Louisiana medical assistants are not allowed to perform every medical duty such as work with blood inside the laboratory and similar unless they are licensed as a phlebotomist or lab assistant. No certification is required to be hired.

## **Maine**

Maine Board of Licensure in Medicine

<https://www.maine.gov/md/licensure>

207-287-3601

[tracy.a.morrison@maine.gov](mailto:tracy.a.morrison@maine.gov) -- Licensure Specialist - Last Name A-L

or [Elena.I.Crowley@maine.gov](mailto:Elena.I.Crowley@maine.gov) -- Licensure Specialist - Last Name M-Z

Board of Licensure in Medicine

137 State House Station

161 Capitol Street

Augusta, ME 04333

\*Additional Information: The state of Maine does not license medical assistants. However, many employers do require certification for employment.



## **Maryland**

Maryland Board of Physicians

<https://www.mbp.state.md.us/licensure.aspx>

410-764-4777

mbpmail@rcn.com

Maryland Board of Physicians

4201 Patterson Avenue

Baltimore, MD 21215

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Maryland are not required to possess a certification, registration or license to work as a medical assistant.

## **Massachusetts**

Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services

<https://www.mass.gov/orgs/executive-office-of-health-and-human-services>

617-573-1600

<https://www.mass.gov/forms/executive-office-of-health-and-human-services-contact-form> -- Contact Us Form

Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services

1 Ashburton Place

Boston, MA 02108

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Massachusetts are not required to possess a certification, registration or license to work as a medical assistant.

## **Michigan**

Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA)

[https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-89334\\_72600\\_72603---,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-89334_72600_72603---,00.html)

517-335-9700

<https://www.michigan.gov/lara/about/contact-us>

Ottawa Building

611 W. Ottawa

P.O. Box 30004

Lansing, MI 48909

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Michigan are not required to possess a certification, registration or license to work as a medical assistant.

## **Minnesota**

Minnesota Board of Medical Practice

<https://mn.gov/boards/medical-practice/licensing/applicants/forms/>

612-617-2130

[Medical.Board@state.mn.us](mailto:Medical.Board@state.mn.us)

Minnesota Board of Medical Practice

335 Randolph Avenue

Suite 140

Saint Paul, MN 55102

\*Additional Information: \*Minnesota law doesn't require medical assistants to obtain a certificate for employment, however many employers do require a certificate.

## **Mississippi**

Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure

<https://www.msbml.ms.gov/>

601-987-3079

[mboard@msbml.ms.gov](mailto:mboard@msbml.ms.gov)

Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure

1867 Crane Ridge Drive, Suite 200-B

Jackson, MS 39216

\*Additional Information: Licensure is not required, but employers will look more favorably on licensed medical assistants.

## **Missouri**

Missouri Division of Professional Registration - Board of Registration for the Healing Arts

<https://www.pr.mo.gov/healingarts.asp>

573-751-0098

[healingarts@pr.mo.gov](mailto:healingarts@pr.mo.gov)

Missouri Division of Professional Registration - Board of Registration for the Healing Arts

3605 Missouri Boulevard

P.O. Box 4

Jefferson City, MO 65102

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Missouri are not required to possess a certification, registration or license to work as a medical assistant.

## **Montana**

Montana Board of Medical Examiners

<http://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/med>

406-444-6880

[dlibsdhhelp@mt.gov](mailto:dlibsdhhelp@mt.gov)

Board of Medical Examiners

PO Box 200513

Helena, MT 59620-0513

\*Additional Information: Medical Assistants are not required to be licensed or registered in Montana. The Board of Medical Examiners are charged with regulating Medical Assistants.

## **Nebraska**

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

<https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/default.aspx#>

402-471-3121

<https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Contact-DHHS.aspx>

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

P.O Box 95026

Lincoln, NE 68509

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Nebraska are not required to possess a certification, registration or medical assisting license to work as a medical assistant.

## **Nevada**

Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners

<http://medboard.nv.gov/>

775-688-2559

[nsbme@medboard.nv.gov](mailto:nsbme@medboard.nv.gov)

Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners

9600 Gateway Drive

Reno, NV 89521

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Nevada are not required to possess a certification, registration or medical assisting license to work as a medical assistant.

## **New Hampshire**

Office of Professional Licensure and Certification

<https://www.oplc.nh.gov/board-registration-medical-technicians>

603-271-2152

[OPLCLicensing3@oplc.nh.gov](mailto:OPLCLicensing3@oplc.nh.gov)

Office of Professional Licensure and Certification - State of NH Board of Registration for Medical Technicians

7 Eagle Square

Concord, NH 03301

\*Additional Information: No specific certification or licensing is required for medical assistants in New Hampshire, but membership in the AAMA is an option for graduates of accredited programs.

## **New Jersey**

New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs - State Board of Medical Examiners

<https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/bme>

609-826-7100

[bme@dca.lps.state.nj.us](mailto:bme@dca.lps.state.nj.us)

New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs - NJ State Board of Medical Examiners

P.O. Box 183

Trenton, NJ 08625

\*Additional Information: The New Jersey state legislature and New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners determine the role of medical assistants.

[https://mycareer.nj.gov/occupation/31-](https://mycareer.nj.gov/occupation/31-9092#:~:text=Administrative%20duties%20may%20include%20scheduling%20appointments%2C%20maintaini)

[9092#:~:text=Administrative%20duties%20may%20include%20scheduling%20appointments%2C%20maintaini](https://mycareer.nj.gov/occupation/31-9092#:~:text=Administrative%20duties%20may%20include%20scheduling%20appointments%2C%20maintaini)  
[ng%20medical,blood%2C%20and%20administering%20medications%20as%20directed%20by%20physician.](https://mycareer.nj.gov/occupation/31-9092#:~:text=Administrative%20duties%20may%20include%20scheduling%20appointments%2C%20maintaini)

## **New Mexico**

New Mexico Medical Board

<https://www.nmmb.state.nm.us/licensing.html>

505-476-7220

[nmbme@state.nm.us](mailto:nmbme@state.nm.us)

New Mexico Medical Board

2055 S. Pacheco St.

Building 400

Santa Fe, NM 87505

\*Additional Information: The New Mexico Medical Board does not define the role of medical assistants or offer MA licensing. As in most other states, it is the nurse practitioners and licensed physicians who hold the official power to delegate health care responsibilities.

## **New York**

New York State Board for Medicine

<https://www.op.nysed.gov/professions-index/medicine>

518-474-3817

[medbd@nysed.gov](mailto:medbd@nysed.gov)

NY State Education Department

Office of the Professions

State Board for Medicine

89 Washington Avenue

Albany, NY 12234-1000

\*Additional Information: Please note that “Medical Assistant” is not a title that is licensed or otherwise recognized in New York State. Persons who have obtained certification as Certified Medical Assistants, through a national organization, may present that credential to employers. Medical assistants work under a currently licensed specialist physician.

<https://www.nysed.gov/career-technical-education/medical-assisting>

## **North Carolina**

North Carolina Medical Board

<https://www.ncmedboard.org/>

800-253.9653

[www.ncmedboard.org/contact](https://www.ncmedboard.org/contact) -- Contact Us Form

North Carolina Medical Board

PO Box 20007

Raleigh, NC 27619-0007

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in North Carolina are not required to possess a certification, registration or medical assisting license to work as a medical assistant. While licensure is not required, most employers do look more favorably upon licensed medical assistants in regards to potential employment.

## **North Dakota**

North Dakota Board of Medicine

<https://www.ndbom.org/practitioners/>

701-450-4060

[www.ndbom.org/contact/index.asp](http://www.ndbom.org/contact/index.asp) -- Contact Us Form

North Dakota Board of Medicine

4204 Boulder Ridge Rd

Bismarck, ND 58503-6162

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in North Dakota work under the direct supervision of nurses and are required to register as Technician – Medical Assistants with the North Dakota Board of Nursing. If you want to distribute medication, you will also need to register as a Medication Assistant III with the North Dakota Board of Nursing.

## **Ohio**

State Medical Board of Ohio

<https://med.ohio.gov/>

614-466-3934

[contact@med.ohio.gov](mailto:contact@med.ohio.gov) -- Contact Us Form

State Medical Board of Ohio

30 E. Broad Street, 3rd Floor

Columbus, OH 43215

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Ohio not required to possess a certification, registration or medical assisting license to work as a medical assistant.

<https://www.ossma.org/scope-of-practice>

## **Oklahoma**

Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision

<https://www.okmedicalboard.org/>

405-962-1400

[supportservices@okmedicalboard.org](mailto:supportservices@okmedicalboard.org)

Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision

101 NE 51st St,

Oklahoma City, OK 73105-1821

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Oklahoma not required to possess a certification, registration or medical assisting license to work as a medical assistant.

## **Oregon**

Oregon Medical Board

<https://www.oregon.gov/omb/Pages/default.aspx>

971-673-2700

[info@omb.oregon.gov](mailto:info@omb.oregon.gov)

Oregon Medical Board

1500 SW 1st Ave., Suite 620

Portland, OR 97201-5847

\*Additional Information: In Oregon, medical assistants are unregulated personnel and work in outpatient settings under the direction of the physician.

## **Pennsylvania**

Pennsylvania State Board of Medicine

<https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/Medicine/Pages/Medicine-Guide.aspx>

717-783-1400

[st-medicine@pa.gov](mailto:st-medicine@pa.gov)

State Board of Medicine

P.O. Box 2649

Harrisburg, PA 17105-2649

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Pennsylvania are not required to possess a certification, registration or medical assisting license to work as a medical assistant.

## **Puerto Rico**

Department of Government Health for Puerto Rico

<http://www.salud.gov.pr/>

787-765-2929

[contactus@salud.pr.gov](mailto:contactus@salud.pr.gov) -- Contact Us Form

Centro Médico Norte

Calle Periferia Interior,

Bo. Monacillos Rio Piedras, PR

\*Additional Information: Medical assisting is not typically a state-licensed/certified profession. This means that medical assistants do not typically need specific credentials to practice in the field.

## **Rhode Island**

Rhode Island Department of Health

<https://health.ri.gov/licenses/>

401-222-5960

[doh.elicense@health.ri.gov](mailto:doh.elicense@health.ri.gov)

Rhode Island Department of Health

3 Capitol Hill

Providence, RI 02908

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Rhode Island not required to possess a certification, registration or medical assisting license to work as a medical assistant.

## **South Carolina**

South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation

<https://www.llr.sc.gov/nurse/>

803-896-4300

[ContactLLR@llr.sc.gov](mailto:ContactLLR@llr.sc.gov)

South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation

110 Centerview Drive

Columbia, SC 29210

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in South Carolina not required to possess a certification, registration or medical assisting license to work as a medical assistant.

## **South Dakota**

South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners & South Dakota Dept. of Health - Board of Nursing

<http://www.sdbmoe.gov/>

and

<https://www.sdbon.org/>

605-367-7781

and

605-362-2760

[SDBMOE@state.sd.us](mailto:SDBMOE@state.sd.us)

and

<https://doh.sd.gov/contact/> -- Contact Us Form

South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners & South Dakota Dept. of Health - Board of Nursing

101 N. Main Avenue, Suite 301

Sioux Falls, SD 57104

4305 S. Louise Ave., Suite 201

Sioux Falls, SD 57106-3315

\*Additional Information: South Dakota medical assistants are under the joint regulatory control of the South Dakota Board of Medical Examiners and the South Dakota Board of Nursing. They register with the South Dakota Board of Medical Examiners.

## **Tennessee**

Tennessee Department of Health

<https://www.tn.gov/health/health-professionals>

615-532-4384

[tn.health@tn.gov](mailto:tn.health@tn.gov)

Tennessee Department of Health

710 James Robertson Parkway

Nashville, TN 37243

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Tennessee are not required to possess a certification, registration or license to work as a medical assistant.

## **Texas**

Texas Medical Board  
<https://www.tmb.state.tx.us/>  
512-305-7010  
[verific@tmb.state.tx.us](mailto:verific@tmb.state.tx.us)  
Texas Medical Board  
P.O Box 2018  
Austin, TX 78768

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Texas are not required to possess a certification, registration or license to work as a medical assistant.

## **U.S. Virgin Islands**

Virgin Islands Department of Health - Board of Medical Examiners  
<https://doh.vi.gov/programs/permits-licenses-and-certificates>  
817-868-4000  
[fcvs@fsmb.org](mailto:fcvs@fsmb.org)  
Virgin Islands Board of Medical Examiners  
Department of Health  
1303 Hospital Ground, Suite 10  
St. Thomas, VI 00802

\*Additional Information: Medical assisting is not typically a state-licensed/certified profession. This means that medical assistants do not typically need specific credentials to practice in the field.

## **Utah**

Utah Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing  
<https://dopl.utah.gov/nurse/>  
801-530-6628  
[b7@utah.gov](mailto:b7@utah.gov) or [jbusjahn@utah.gov](mailto:jbusjahn@utah.gov)  
Jeff Busjahn, Bureau Manager  
Utah Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing  
PO Box 146741  
Salt Lake City, UT 84111-6741

\*Additional Information: Utah's laws of medicine allow unlicensed medical assistants to work under the indirect supervision of a licensed physician, but they may only be delegated tasks that are appropriate and should not perform diagnosing, advising, prescribing medication and administering non-localized anesthesia.



## **Vermont**

Vermont Department of Health - Board of Medical Practice  
<https://www.healthvermont.gov/systems/medical-practice-board>  
802-657-4220  
[AHS.VDHMedicalBoard@vermont.gov](mailto:AHS.VDHMedicalBoard@vermont.gov)  
Vermont Department of Health - Board of Medical Practice  
280 State Drive  
Waterbury, VT 05671

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Vermont are not licensed or regulated.  
<https://www.healthvermont.gov/topic/medical-licensingcertification>

## **Virginia**

Virginia Board of Medicine  
<http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/medicine/>  
804-367-4600  
[medbd@dhp.virginia.gov](mailto:medbd@dhp.virginia.gov)  
Virginia Board of Medicine  
Perimeter Center  
9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300  
Henrico, VA 23233-1463

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Virginia do not need to be licensed or certified to work in the state.

## **Washington**

Washington State Department of Health  
<https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/MedicalAssistant/LicenseRequirements/CertifiedorInterim>  
360-236-4700  
<https://www.doh.wa.gov/AboutUs/ContactUs> -- Contact Us Form  
Washington State Department of Health  
111 Israel Rd SE,  
Tumwater, WA 98501

\*Additional Information: To become a medical assistant in Washington state, you will need to be certified or registered by the Washington Department of Health, Medical Assisting Credentialing. You will need to complete an apprenticeship or an accredited training program which is accredited by the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES). Before you can officially apply for your medical assisting certification with the state of Washington, you need to pass an exam. Once you do, you will need to apply for your certification within five years.

## **West Virginia**

West Virginia Board of Medicine

<https://wvbom.wv.gov/>

304-558-2921 Ext. 49873

<https://wvbom.wv.gov/contact/>

WV Board of Medicine

101 Dee Drive

Suite 103

Charleston, WV 25311

\*Additional Information: The West Virginia Board of Medicine requires Medical Assistants to earn a state license. West Virginia does not require MA's to be certified.

## **Wisconsin**

Wisconsin Department of Health Services

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/regulations/index.htm>

608-266-1865

[dhswebmaster@wisconsin.gov](mailto:dhswebmaster@wisconsin.gov)

Department of Health Services

1 West Wilson Street

Madison, WI 53703

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Wisconsin are not required to possess a certification, registration or license to work as a medical assistant.

## **Wyoming**

Wyoming Board of Medicine

<http://wyomedboard.wyo.gov/>

307-778-7053

[wyomedboard@wyo.gov](mailto:wyomedboard@wyo.gov)

Wyoming Board of Medicine

130 Hobbs Avenue, Suite A

Cheyenne, WY 82002

\*Additional Information: Medical assistants in Wyoming are not required to possess a certification, registration or license to work as a medical assistant.