Richmond Community College

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State	Meets educational Requirements	Does not meet educational requirements	State	Meets educational Requirements	Does not meet
Alabama		*	Nebraska		
Alaska		*	Nevada		
American Samoa		*	New Hampshire		
Arizona		*	New Jersey		
Arkansas		*	New Mexico		,
California		*	New York		,
Colorado		*	North Carolina	*	
Connecticut		*	North Dakota		
Delaware		*	Northern Mariana Islands		1
Florida		*	Ohio		1
Georgia		*	Oklahoma		,
Guam		*	Oregon		,
Hawaii		*	Pennsylvania		,
Idaho		*	Puerto Rico		,
Illinois		*	Rhode Island		,
Indiana		*	South Carolina		4
Iowa		*	South Dakota		,
Kansas		*	Tennessee		,
Kentucky		*	Texas		,
Louisiana		*	US Virgin Islands		,
Maine		*	Utah		,
Maryland		*	Vermont		,
Massachusetts		*	Virginia		,
Michigan		*	Washington		4
Minnesota		*	West Virginia		4
Mississippi		*	Wisconsin		,
Missouri		*	Wyoming		7
Montana		*	9		

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Comments:

While most medical assistants seek voluntary certification, no state requires medical assistants to be licensed. Most states do not have a formal education requirement for medical assistants. Formal medical assisting training programs are available from community colleges, vocational schools, and technical institutes.

Formal medical assisting programs typically lead to either a certificate or a diploma. They do not confer any type of medical assistant license. Medical assistants are not required by law to hold licensure or certification. Medical assisting is not typically a state-licensed/certified profession. This means that medical assistants do no typically need specific credentials to practice in the field. The only exception to this includes medical assistants who perform specific duties, such as phlebotomy or x-rays, as state laws may require specific training and certification in these areas.

The following are among the available certifications:

American Association of Medical Assistants (AAMA) - Certified Medical Assistant https://www.aama-ntl.org/

National Healthcareer Association (NHA) - Certified Clinical Medical Assistant https://www.nhanow.com/certification

American Medical Technologists (AMT) - Registered Medical Assistant https://americanmedtech.org/Medical-Assistant

The National Center for Competency Testing (NCCT) - National Certified Medical Assistant (NCMA) https://www.ncctinc.com/

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