



**Medical Assisting  
Undergraduate Certificate  
Professional Licensure Information**

**State Licensure/Registration**

Requirements for Medical Assistant licensure/registration vary by state. Some states do not require individuals to hold a state-issued license/registration in order to be employed as a Medical Assistant. In states that do require licensure/registration, graduates who apply for a license/registration may need to satisfy other requirements beyond program completion, such as holding an active national certification, passing an examination, completing an application, or submitting to a background check.

Educational requirements for Medical Assistant licensure/registration can include specifications for the applicant’s type of academic credential, type of educational institution where the academic program was completed, and curriculum content within the academic program.

The information provided below does not guarantee that any particular state licensure entity will approve or deny an individual application for certification or professional licensure; individual determinations are made by the state licensing boards upon review of all application materials.

Requirements for licensure/registration are subject to change at any time. Anyone who is interested in seeking licensure/registration as a Medical Assistant is encouraged to visit the state and U.S. territory websites listed in the chart below to review the current requirements to obtain licensure/registration. *Note: If links are not provided, a website for the regulatory agency in that location is currently unavailable.*

**Some states have multiple levels of Medical Assistant credentials including additional requirements that must be met to conduct additional medical interventions. The information below pertains only to the educational requirements to obtain an initial state license or registration as a Medical Assistant. Requirements for additional scope of practice authorization (i.e., advanced licenses, vaccine and/or medication administration, intramuscular injections, etc.) are not included in this document.**

<b>State/Territory</b>	<b>State-Issued License/Registration Required for Employment as a Medical Assistant</b>	<b>Certificate Program Meets State/Territory Educational Requirements for Licensure/Registration</b>
Alabama	No	N/A
Alaska	No	N/A
American Samoa	No	N/A
Arizona <a href="#">Arizona Medical Board</a>	No	N/A
Arkansas	No	N/A
California <a href="#">Medical Board of California</a>	No	N/A
Colorado	No	N/A
Connecticut	No	N/A



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<a href="#">Connecticut State Department of Public Health</a>		
Delaware	No	N/A
District of Columbia	No	N/A
Federated States of Micronesia	Undetermined	Unknown
Florida	No	N/A
Georgia	No	N/A
Guam	No	N/A
Hawaii	No	N/A
Idaho	No	N/A
Illinois	No	N/A
Indiana	No	N/A
Iowa	No	N/A
Kansas	No	N/A
Kentucky	No	N/A
Louisiana	No	N/A
Maine	No	N/A
Marshall Islands	Undetermined	Unknown
Maryland	No	N/A
Massachusetts	No	N/A
Michigan	No	N/A
Minnesota	No	N/A
Mississippi	No	N/A
Missouri	No	N/A
Montana	No	N/A
Nebraska	No	N/A
Nevada	No	N/A
New Hampshire	No	N/A
New Jersey	No	N/A
New Mexico	No	N/A
New York	No	N/A
North Carolina	No	N/A
North Dakota	No	N/A
Northern Mariana Islands	No	N/A
Ohio	No	N/A
Oklahoma	No	N/A
Oregon	No	N/A



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Pennsylvania	No	N/A
Puerto Rico	Undetermined	Unknown
Republic of Palau	Undetermined	Unknown
Rhode Island	No	N/A
South Carolina	No	N/A
South Dakota	No	N/A
Tennessee	No	N/A
Texas	No	N/A
U.S. Virgin Islands	No	N/A
Utah	No	N/A
Vermont	No	N/A
Virginia	No	N/A
Washington <a href="#">Washington State Department of Health</a>	Yes	Meets
West Virginia	No	N/A
Wisconsin	No	N/A
Wyoming	No	N/A