

# Proposal for Change in Levels of Nebraska Dental Assisting (NDA BOT Sept -- 19, 2013)

**Functions Not Permitted:** Exam, Diagnosis, Treatment Planning, Surgical Procedures (including removal of tooth structure), Prescribing Drugs, Local Anesthesia with Syringe, Scaling and Root planing (removing hard deposits on teeth). Red= new duty, rule, or requirement. Green= suggested edits after 6-19-13 and 8-12-13 NDA Cmt Mtg Blue= discussion points following NDA/NDHA mtg July 16, 2013

Level of Dental Assisting	Requirements/Recommendations	Indirect Supervision (Dentist onsite, authorizes procedure)	General Super vision (Dentist not on-site, but has authorized procedure)
Dental Assistant	<del>19 y/o</del> -REMOVE Infection control training (per fed OSHA requirement) CPR (highly recommended) May be OJT or grad of CODA dental asst prg	Current duties as outlined in state rules/regs Monitor nitrous oxide (must have CPR) Place topical local anesthesia	Current duties per state rules/regs Take dental xrays (course & certificate required) Coronal polishing (course, certificate, and 1500 hrs experience required) Current duties per state rules/regs
Licensed Dental Assistant (LDA)	19 y/o CPR Grad of CODA dental asst prg or OJT (must have <del>3500</del> <u>1500</u> hrs chairside experience) Current DANB certification or a board approved exam covering any one or more specific duties Pass NE jurisprudence exam Become licensed with HHS and complete CE per UCA	Current duties per state rules/regs <del>Place pit and fissure dental sealants-REMOVE FROM ENTIRE PROPOSAL</del> Fit and cement crowns on primary teeth Administer and titrate nitrous oxide (per dentist order) Take final impressions/records (including digital) for dental prostheses (crowns, bridges, etc.)	Current duties per state rules/regs
Expanded Function Dental Assistant (EFDA)	19 y/o CPR Have 1500 hours as LDA Complete Board approved course such as DANB EFDA one Complete DANB EFDA exam or board approved exam (such as CRDTS or another state equivalent) Obtain EFDA license from HHS and complete CE per UCA	Current duties per state rules/regs All duties of LDA Place and finish dental restorations (fillings, crowns, etc.)	Current duties as per state rules/regs

Abbreviations: OJT = on the job trained DANB= Dental Assisting National Board CE=Continuing Education UCA = Uniform Credentialing Act  
CPR= cardiopulmonary resuscitation Board = NE Board of Dentistry CODA=Commission on Dental Accreditation