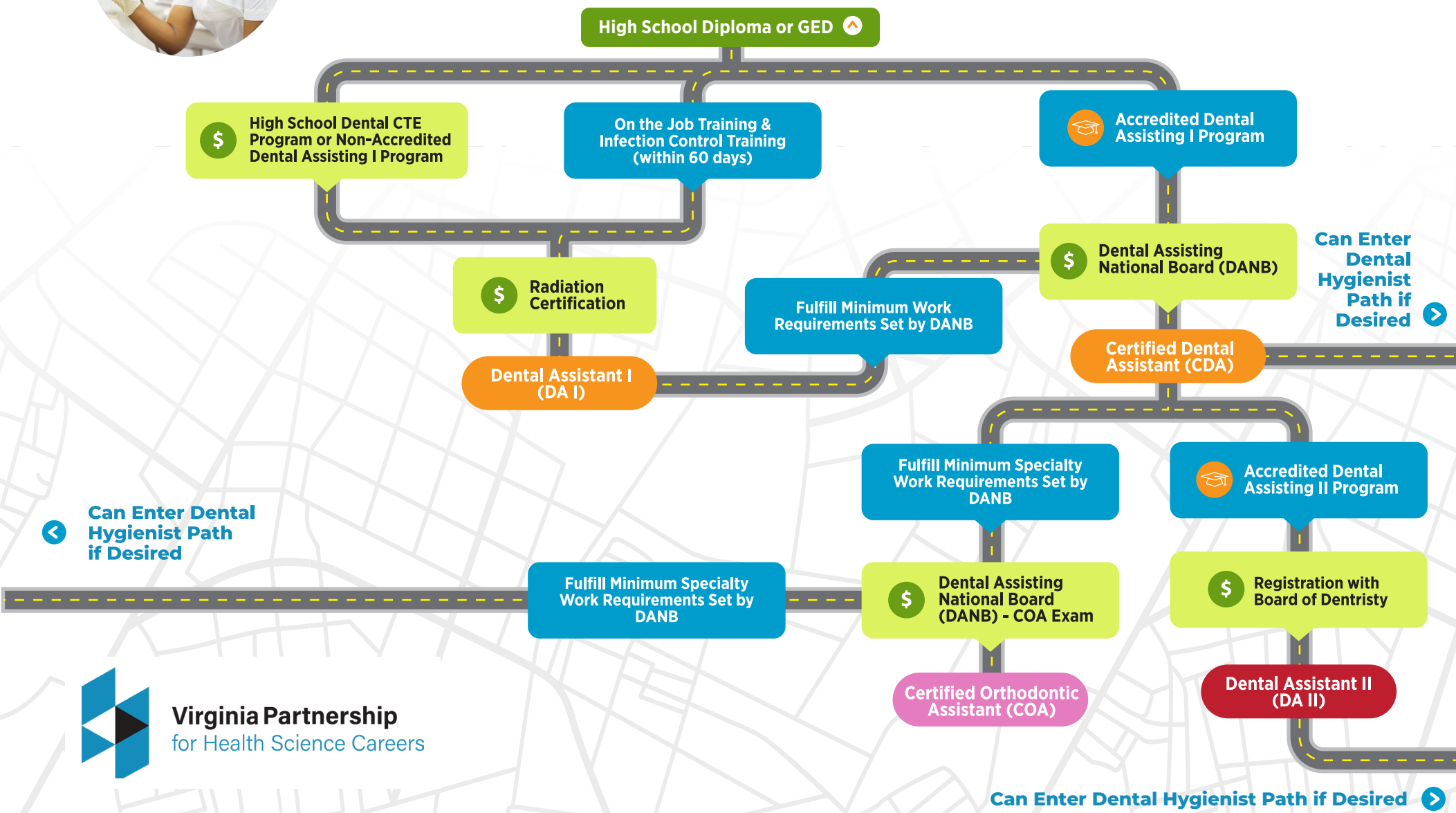


Start Your Career Path as a Dental Assistant



An important member of the dental office, dental assistants provide patient care, take x-ray images of the mouth, handle scheduling and prepare rooms for dental examinations. *Remember, no career path is the same. For the most up-to-date information, contact the school or business.*



Virginia Partnership
for Health Science Careers



= Certification Required



= Education Required



= Fee Payment Required

Reach out to a counselor at your highschool, local community college, or four-year college or university. For more information, visit: virginiahealthcareers.org

Starting your dental assistant career journey in high school?

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Dental Assistant I	
Salary Range: \$36,190 - \$61,780	
License & Certification	
CODA-Accredited 12-Month Dental Assisting Programs	
Germanna Community College	
J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College	
Northern Virginia Community College	
Other Dental Assisting Programs	
Mountain Empire Community College	
Laurel Ridge Community College	
Danville Community College	
Wytheville Community College	
FORTIS College, Richmond	
FORTIS College, Norfolk	
ECPI University Newport News, Manassas, Richmond and Virginia Beach	
Centura College Norfolk	
High School Career and Technical Education Dental I Programs	
Buchanan County Technology, Career & Higher Learning Center	
Chesapeake Career Center	
Chesterfield Career and Technical Center at Courthouse	
George Washington High School	
Falls Church Governor's Health Sciences Academy	
Chantilly Governor's STEM Academy	
Clifford S. Hardison Governor's Health Sciences Academy	
E.C. Glass High School	
Massanutten Technical Center	
New Horizons Butler Farm Campus	
Norfolk Technical Center	
Spotsylvania Career and Technical Center	
Valley Career and Technical Center	
Virginia Beach City Technical & Career Education Center	
Certified Dental Assistant (CDA)**	
Salary Range: \$41,600 - \$62,400	
Certification	
Must pass certification courses from the Dental Assisting National Board (DANB)	
Certified Orthodontic Assistant (COA) **	
Salary Range: \$43,680 - \$64,480	
Certification	
Must pass the Certified Orthodontic Assistant (COA) Exam	
Dental Assistant II	
Salary Range: \$43,680 - \$64,480	
License & Certification	
CODA-Accredited 12-Month Dental Assisting Programs	
Germanna Community College	
Mountain Empire Community College	

*Admissions process required. **For the most up-to-date information, contact the school or business.



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Degrees & Certificates Guide

AS - An Associate of Science degree is a two-year degree that combines general coursework with major-specific classes.

AAS - An Associate of Applied Science degree is a two-year college degree that focuses on a specific technical skill of applied science.

Certificate - A certificate of study is a postsecondary credential that shows completed practical training and gained skills in a specific field and carries credit.

Career Studies Certificate - A careers studies program is a short-term program that improves job skills (12-18 academic credits, 15-18 months to complete).

FastForward - FastForward is a short-term workforce training program that offers industry credentials and certifications in a shorter time period (non-credit).