



## Dental Assisting Program Boot Camp

**When – Tuesday Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024**

**Where – Room HS202 @ MCC-Health Science Institute**

If you're exploring the dental field, the Boot Camp taught by MCC Penn Valley-HSI faculty and graduates is the perfect opportunity to have a one-day, hands-on experience with the profession of Dental Assisting.

### Description

Dental assistants are critical healthcare professionals and the demand for more continues to rise. This bootcamp will help you understand the roles of a dental assistant through a look at the knowledge, essential skills, interpersonal communication and abilities needed to be successful in the industry. Learn about MCC Penn Valley-HSI course offerings that can help you achieve your career goal as a dental assistant through a series of hands-on activities.

### Objectives

- have developed a better understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a dental assistant.
- have explored and gained basic knowledge and skills necessary for working as a dental assistant.
- have explored skills and techniques utilized in the dental assisting field.
- have reviewed educational opportunities available for licensure.

### Outline

1. Welcome, introductions, and overview
2. Discuss, education and employment opportunities with success strategies for transitioning to the dental field
3. Explore a variety of tasks routinely performed by dental assistants such as: Infection Control/Personal Protective Equipment; X-rays on a mannikin; instruments; sealants; blood pressure; Mixing dental cements, 4-handed dentistry; polishing; and impressions

**Contact Hours 6**

## Requirements for Successful Completion of this boot camp

1. Attendance 100%
2. Participation 100%
3. Attendance of the full session - 8:30-3:00

**Note** – Upon successful completion of the boot camp, if the participant decides to apply to the MCC Dental Assisting program for the following year, then they will not need to complete the mandatory In-class or In-lab observation session required as part of the application process.

Industry Standard, State, or National Certification - None

## Overview of activities during the day

- Learn the differences between the professions of Dental Assisting and Dental Hygiene
- Discover what it takes to be successful in school and the profession after graduation
- Speak with current and former students about the program
- Rotate through stations with hands-on activities experiencing various topics
  - Infection control
  - Vital signs (blood pressure)
  - X-rays
  - Coronal Polishing
  - Mixing Dental cements
  - Impressions
  - Sealants
  - Instrumentation on a manikin

## Participation Requirement

Attendees must be at least 18 years old. The course has been designed for 10 participants, and registration is on a first-come, first-served basis.