

**Subject** Dental assistant licensure by credentials

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## Summary

In Minnesota, a dental assistant may apply for licensure by the Board of Dentistry based on the dental assistant's credentials, in lieu of completing a board-approved dental assisting program for expanded functions, if the dental assistant meets certain requirements listed in statute. Currently, one of the requirements is showing that the dental assistant graduated from a dental assisting program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation and is currently certified by the Dental Assisting National Board.

This bill amends section 150A.06, subdivision 8, modifying one of the requirements for licensure by credential so that an applicant can either have graduated from a dental assisting program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation or be currently certified by the Dental Assisting National Board.