

## STATE LICENSURE BY CREDENTIALS/ENDORSEMENT CHART

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AL	Yes	5 Years	Letters of recommendation from 2 DDS or RDH	No	No	No	Yes-Extensive	CITA CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB	Y
AK	Yes	Two years 14 hours per week	May not have failed Alaska clinical exam	Yes	No	No	License verification. AADE query.	WREB	Y
AR	Yes	Five years		No	No	No	License verification. References. No background fee. Education.	SRTA	Y
AZ	Yes	1000 hours in past 2 years	Must have passed a state regional clinical examination that the board has determined is equivalent to AZ exam.	No	No	No	PBIS License verification. Letters of verification transcripts National Board Card and National Databank Report	WREB	Y
CA	Yes	Five years or three years plus promise to serve in public health for two years		No	No	No		STATE WREB	Y
CO	Yes	One year out of last three		Only for employment with Dept. of Public Health	No	Yes	Sealed transcripts. License verification. Disciplinary action. National and regional/state exams. Background incl. in fee.	Any regional exam or state exam	Y
CT	Yes			No	No	No	License verification. Education.	CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB	Y
DC				No	No			CDCA	

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<b>DE</b>	Yes	Three out of the last five	Requires passage of a jurisprudence exam	No	No	No	Letter of good standing from dental board where licensed.	STATE	Y
<b>FL</b>	No			No	No	Yes		STATE CDCA	Y
<b>GA</b>	Yes	2 years	Must begin to practice in GA w/ in 2 years of obtaining license	Yes	No	No		CRDTS	Y
<b>HI</b>	Limited (Community service license)	1000 hours per year for the past 3 years.	May practice only in FQHC, native health centers, post secondary dental auxiliary training program accredited by CODA. Must renew annually.	Yes, but only in qualifying institution	No	No		CRDTS	N
<b>ID</b>	Yes	1,000 hours in prior two years		Yes, until the next exam or for one year for RDH who meets licensure by credentials criteria, but has not taken local anesthesia exam.	No	Yes	License verification. Investigation of legal and disciplinary actions.	CRDTS ADEX WREB	Y
<b>IL</b>	Yes	Three out of last five years		No	No	Yes	Application. National Practitioners Databank.	CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB	Y

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<b>IN</b>	Yes	Two out of last five years	Must have 14 hours of CE during previous two years	No	No	No	License verification. Education. Disciplinary actions. Board scores.	CRDTS SRTA CDCA WREB	Y
<b>IA</b>	Yes	Must have practiced three years preceding	Other state must accept Iowa licensees; applicant have not failed a clinical exam within past three years	No	Yes	No	Practice references. License verifications.	CRDTS WREB	Y
<b>KS</b>	Yes	Three years		No	No	Yes	License verification. Reference letters from past/present employers. Education.	Any state board CITA CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB	Y
<b>KY</b>	Yes	Must have practiced 5 years	Dental board must unanimously vote to accept applicant.	No	No	Yes TEMP.	National Practitioners' Databank. License verification.	CITA CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB	Y
<b>LA</b>	Yes	One year practice	Personal interview with board, cannot be HIV or HBV positive	No	No	No	Professional, Criminal and license verification.	CITA	N
<b>ME</b>	Yes	Five years CDCA	Personal interview, dental board may waive	No	No	No	Education. License verification. National Board scores. CDCA scores.	CDCA	Y
<b>MD</b>	Yes	Three years/150 hours preceding 3yrs	Possess health certificate from physician, personal interview	Yes	Yes	Yes	National Practitioners Databank.	CDCA	Y

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<b>MA</b>	Yes	One year	Contact Dental Board	No	No	No	Education.National Board scores. Two recommendations from previous employers (dentists). Disciplinary action. License verification.	CDCA	N
<b>MI</b>	Yes	2 Years practice	If licensed before 1962, National Board Exam may be waived	No	No	No		CDCA	Y
<b>MN</b>	Yes	Active practice for two of 3 years prior	Requires interview, Canadian licensees eligible, must have five hours of infection control within previous five years, provide two character references.	Yes- "Guest License for Public Health \$50.00 (application & renewal fee)	No	No	Education. CDCA and National Boards verification.	CRDTS WREB	N
<b>MS</b>	Yes	5 years practice		No	Yes Rule 7	No	National Practitioners Databank. AADE query. Two references.	CITA	Y
<b>MO</b>	Yes	Two years	Not eligible if ever failed a clinical exam or had action against license, CPR	No	No	No	National I Practitioners Database. AADE query. Education. References	CITA CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB	Y

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<b>MT</b>	Yes	500 hours in past year	CPR	No	No	Yes	License verification. Disciplinary action.	CITA CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB CA state exam	Y
<b>NE</b>	Yes	Three years, one prior to application	Oral exam if not passed CRDTS, also need 15 hours of CE	No	No	Yes	License verification	CITA CRDTS WREB	Y
<b>NV</b>	No					Yes		STATE CDCA	Y
<b>NH</b>	Yes	Three years	Passed CDCA within last five years, may waive CDCA if over five years or recognize other clinical on case by case	No	No	Yes	License verification. Education. CDCA scores. AADE query.	CDCA	N
<b>NJ</b>	Yes		10 hours of CE within last two years	No	No	Yes	Employment history. License verification. Exam scores. Education. Criminal.	CDCA	N
<b>NM</b>	Yes	1,000 hours in last three of five years.	Must complete infection control CE	Yes, must be sponsored by a NM dentist or dental hygienist	Yes	Yes	\$25 License verification.	CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB	Y

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<b>NY</b>	Yes	Not less than 8 months of last two years	Must not have failed New York exam. Department may license by endorsement on an individual basis.	No	No	No	Education. Professional Moral Character.	CDCA	N
<b>NC</b>	Yes	2		Yes, with two years practice	No	No	Yes	CITA	Y
<b>ND</b>	Yes	Three years	Three letters of reference from dentists, and three from dental hygienists.	No	No	No	Reference letters. License verification. Personal statements.	CITA CRDTS WREB	Y
<b>OH</b>	Yes			No	Teacher's license by reciprocity	No	AADE query. Required state background checks.	CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB	Y
<b>OK</b>	Yes	Two years	Interview with board	Yes, unless failed Oklahoma clinical	Yes	No	10 letter of recommendation. License verification and all documents submitted.	WREB	Y
<b>OR</b>	Yes	3,500 hours in past 5 years		No		Yes	Background included incl. in fee of \$850	CITA CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB	N
<b>PA</b>	Yes		Licensure by criteria approval for those states that have reciprocal arrangements with Pennsylvania	No	No	No	License verification. Disciplinary action. CDCA scores.	CDCA	N

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<b>RI</b>	Yes			No	No	No	Education. Birth certificate. National Board scores. CDCA scores.	CITA CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB	N
<b>SC</b>	Yes		There is no explicit provision in the law, but the board will consider applicants on an individual basis. Must have passed the National Board Exam within last 15 years	No	No	No	Verification of license. National Practitioners Database.	CRDTS CDCA SRTA	Y
<b>SD</b>	Yes	Three out of last five years		Yes		No	National Practitioner Databank. AADE query.	CRDTS SRTA WREB	Y
<b>TN</b>	Yes		Current CPR certification. Must not have failed the SRTA exam.	No	Yes	Yes	Criminal. Education. Disciplinary actions. License verification and status. 2 letters of reference.	SRTA WREB Board approved exam	N
<b>TX</b>	Yes	Three years	Current CPR	Yes if practice in not for profit	No	No	Employment Education References	CITA CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB	Y
<b>UT</b>	Yes	2,000 hours within last two years or taught in accredited program for 18 months and practiced for 800 hours within last 2 years		No	No	No	License verification.	CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB	N
<b>VT</b>	Yes	800 hours within last five years	Must have taken office emergency procedures; never have been disciplined	No	No	No	Education. License verification. National Board scores.	CRDTS CDCA	Y

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VA	Yes	Two out of last five years		Yes, if employed in state public health	Teacher's temporary	Yes	Application and all documents are reviewed by licensure specialist and reviewed by endorsement committee.	CITA CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB	N
WA	Yes	560 practice hours in past two years.	May be required to take parts of the clinical exam	Yes, but no expanded functions; renewable limited license.	No	No	License verification. AADE query.	CITA CRDTS CDCA WREB WREB	Y
WV	Yes	Two years active practice		Yes 6.02	Yes Rule 6.04		License verification. National Practitioners Databank.	CITA CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB	N
WI	Yes			No	No	No	Board scores. Education License verification. CPR	CITA CRDTS CDCA SRTA WREB	Y
WY	Yes	1000 hrs prior 3 years		No	No	No		CITA CRDTS CDCA WREB SRTA	Y

**Licensure by Credential:** States may use the terms; "licensure by endorsement," "licensure by criteria approval," or "reciprocity" to mean provisions in the law that allow out of state licensees to be licensed without a clinical examination.

**Years of Practice:** Refers to active practice requirements in the year(s) immediately preceding licensure by credential application.

**Special Requirements:** Requirements that are in addition to graduation from an accredited dental hygiene program, passing the Joint Commission on National Boards Dental Hygiene Examination, and proof that the applicant has a license in good standing in another state. (Most states will require licensure applicants to pass a Jurisprudence exam on the laws governing the practice of dental hygiene in that state. Contact state licensing agency for application forms and fee information.)

**Temporary, Teacher, Inactive or Retired License:** Special licenses often have specific time-limits, restrictions, or additional requirements. Contact the state licensing agency for information.

**Source:** State statutes and rules/information from state licensing authorities.