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Hello there, my name is Michayla and I have been a dental assistant for seven years now. I oppose this measure because it takes away the importance of learning about why we need to be careful and what not only we are at risk of but our patients as well. Dental assisting is not easy and you are exposed to more than even the medical field. Assistants need to have the knowledge and the training and study time before working with patients and working in a dental office. It will also risk lowering the pay of assistants that have been working many years in this field and lowering what they do. We expose patients to radiation and have to know the HIPAA laws as well as OSHA training and CPR. We have a lot to upkeep and maintain knowledge of. As a dental assistant in Oregon I strongly oppose this.