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There are many successful programs established at community colleges around the state of Oregon. Dental assisting programs provide hands-on training and apply classroom information to the real world/clinical sites. A dentist depends on the knowledge, capabilities and training that a dental assistant has to make certain patients are receiving proper care. Dental assistants have many job duties, tasks, and responsibilities. They need to be trained properly in a variety of areas in the dental field, the programs established at Community Colleges in the the state focuses on these skills. Graduates of dental assisting programs go on to have successful careers in the field of dentistry.