

Mid-level Dental Models Comparison

	Licensed Dental Practitioner Vermont	Dental Therapist Alaska	Advanced Dental Therapist Minnesota	Dental Hygiene Therapist Maine	Expanded Functions Dental Assistant Vermont
Scope & Supervision	<p>All DT services under general supervision of a dentist with a CMA following 400 hours of clinical practice under the direct supervision of a dentist</p> <p>Can provide oral evaluation and assessment</p>	<p>All DT services under general/remote supervision of a dentist with standing orders; prior to working under general supervision dental therapists must complete a 400 hour minimum preceptorship with supervising dentist</p> <p>Scope of practices include diagnosis and treatment planning</p>	<p>All DT services under general supervision defined in a CMA following 2000 hours of clinical practice under the direct supervision of a dentist</p> <p>Can provide oral evaluation and assessment</p>	<p>All DT services under direct supervision as defined in a CMA with 2000 hours of clinical practice under the direct supervision of a dentist (hours completed during their clinical education can be counted towards the 2000 hours)</p> <p>Can provide oral evaluation and assessment</p>	<p>Place dental sealants, and place and carve restorations after the dentist has prepared (drilled) the tooth under direct supervision of a dentist</p>
Education	<p>Registered Dental Hygienist with at least an AS degree (2 or 3 years) + 12 months (4 semesters) of LDP education and an additional 400 hour preceptorship result in BS degree; all graduates will be dually licensed dental hygienists and licensed in dental therapy as a LDP</p>	<p>2 years of intense training + a minimum 400 preceptorship culminating in federal certification</p>	<p>Metropolitan State: Registered Dental Hygienist with BS degree (does not need to be in dental hygiene) plus 16 month Master's degree program; all graduates will be dually licensed dental hygienists and licensed in dental therapy as a LDP</p> <p>University of MN Dental School: 28 month program for BS degree holders (no hygiene requirement).</p>	<p>Registered Dental Hygienist with at least AS degree + 4 semesters for a BS degree; all graduates will be dually licensed dental hygienists and dental therapists</p>	<p>Certified Dental Assistant (no formal college education required – currently education is provided at the Essex Technical Center)- 50 hours of didactic training and 5 weeks of clinical training (laboratory) + 6 weeks of field training in dental offices</p>
Tuition & Fees		<p>\$70,000 (paid for by tribal employer)</p>	<p>Metropolitan State: \$35,000 for full program University of MN Dental School: \$80,236.00</p>	<p>NA</p>	<p>NA</p>

Examination	Northeast Regional Examiners Board; VT state license	Federal competency based certification	The Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc. (CRDTS for short); MN state license	Northeast Regional Examiners Board; ME state license	Laboratory Competency Examination required
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CMA = Collaborative Management Agreement