

Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners
Coronal Polishing by Dental Assistants
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Arizona Revised Statutes § 32-1291 Dental assistants; regulation; duties

B. A dental assistant may polish the natural and restored surfaces of the teeth under the general supervision of a dentist licensed pursuant to this chapter if the assistant has passed an examination approved by the board.

The Board has approved a Coronal Polishing Examination. The examination is administered by the Dental Assisting National Board (DANB) which provides exam information, distribution of applications, testing, issues certificates and responds to inquires.

DANB will issue Coronal Polishing Certificates after the dental assistant has:

1. Passed the Arizona Coronal Polishing (AZCP) Exam (written or computerized)
2. Submitted a completed Arizona Coronal Polishing Clinical Skills Affidavit
3. Submitted a completed Arizona Coronal Polishing Certificate Application

Visit DANB's website at www.danb.org or call 1-800-FOR-DANB for the AZCP Exam Fact Sheet and Application.