

Physician/Dentist Support Staff
Competency Assessment – Dental Assistant

Name of PDSS Member: _____

Please check the appropriate boxes below

- Initial Dental Assistant Competency Assessment
- Annual Dental Assistant Competency Assessment

The functions outlined below are reviewed to ensure ongoing competence.

<u>GENERAL PRIVILEGES</u>	<u>MEETS EXPECTATIONS</u>	<u>DOES NOT MEET EXPECTATIONS*</u>
Removing staples and/or sutures		
Assisting physician with diagnostic procedures		

<u>OPERATING ROOM PRIVILEGES</u>	<u>MEETS EXPECTATIONS</u>	<u>DOES NOT MEET EXPECTATIONS*</u>
Suctioning		
Appropriate utilization of sponges		
Use of retractors		
Suture skills		
Hemostasis		
Prepping/Draping patient		
Positioning/Repositioning of OR lights, cameras, and other non-dissecting instruments		
Application and changing of dressings		
Advanced Skills - Wound closure/suturing – subcutaneous tissue up through skin.		

*If any requested item is noted as “Does Not Meet Expectations”, it is the responsibility of the sponsoring provider to address immediately. Please provide written confirmation of competency when achieved.

**Must be certified and meet facility “Wound Closure” competency guidelines

Evaluation Date: _____

PDSS Member Signature: _____

Sponsoring Provider Name: _____

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Competency Assessment is part of the annual performance appraisal.