WAC 246-827-0100 Applicability. A person shall obtain a medical assistant credential from the secretary in order to practice as a medical assistant. "Practice as a medical assistant" means the person assists a health care practitioner by providing direct patient health care including treatment, self-care instruction, patient education, and administration of medication. A person employed by a health care practitioner or facility is not practicing as a medical assistant as defined in this chapter if he or she only performs the following tasks:

- (1) Accounting;
- (2) Insurance reimbursement;
- (3) Maintaining medication and immunization records;
- (4) Obtaining and recording patient history;
- (5) Preparing and maintaining examination and treatment areas;
- (6) Reception;
- (7) Scheduling;

(8) Telephone and in person screening limited to intake and gathering of information; or

(9) Similar administrative tasks.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 18.360 RCW, RCW 43.70.280, and 2012 c 153. WSR 13-12-045, § 246-827-0100, filed 5/31/13, effective 7/1/13.]