

**WAC 246-827-0220 Medical assistant-certified—Application—Interim certification.** (1) Application requirements - Applicants for a medical assistant-certified credential shall submit the following:

- (a) Completed application on forms provided by the department;
- (b) Proof of completion of high school education or its equivalent;
- (c) Proof of successful completion of the required education or approved training program;
- (d) Proof of successful completion of an approved examination under WAC 246-827-0200(2), completed within five years prior to submission of an initial application for this credential;
- (e) Any fee required in WAC 246-827-990; and
- (f) Fingerprint cards for national fingerprint based background check pursuant to RCW 18.130.064(2), if requested by the department.

(2) An applicant who has met all the requirements in subsection (1) of this section, except passage of the examination, may be issued an interim certification.

(a) A person who has an interim certification possesses the full scope of practice of a medical assistant-certified.

(b) A person who has an interim certification must notify their employer any time they fail any of the examinations listed in WAC 246-827-0200(2).

(c) A person's interim certification expires upon issuance of the medical assistant-certified credential or one year after issuance of the interim certification, whichever occurs first.

(d) A person cannot renew an interim certification.

(e) A person is only eligible for an interim certification upon initial application.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.19.050, 18.29.130, 18.29.210, 18.34.120, 18.46.060, 18.55.095, 18.84.040, 18.88B.060, 18.89.050, 18.130.050, 18.138.070, 18.155.040, 18.200.050, 18.205.060, 18.215.040, 18.230.040, 18.240.050, 18.250.020, 18.290.020, 18.360.030, 18.360.070, 70.41.030, 70.230.020, 71.12.670, and 18.108.085. WSR 21-02-002, § 246-827-0220, filed 12/23/20, effective 1/23/21. Statutory Authority: Chapter 18.360 RCW, RCW 43.70.280, and 2012 c 153. WSR 13-12-045, § 246-827-0220, filed 5/31/13, effective 7/1/13.]