The American Red Cross in conjunction with the Irwin Army Community Hospital Dental Service is proud to sponsor and facilitate a Dental Assistant Training Program. Not only do you obtain a marketable job skill and experience for your resume. This training program is designed to provide selected students with the basic education and skills needed to volunteer or become employed as a Dental Assistance at a military dental clinic. Completion of the Red Cross Dental Assistant Training is transferrable among military dental treatment facilities



While the program provides instruction and practice in the skills necessary to be a Dental Assistant, it does not provide certification. Certification, if desired, is completed through individual communication with the Dental Assistant National Board (DNAB). Eventual employment in a civilian dental practice may require additional coursework and or State Board Certification depending on the requirements of each State. Certification, while encouraged, is not a requirement to work in a military dental facility.

In order to participate in the program, you must first register as a Red Cross Volunteer. The local Red Cross Office Personnel will provide the information necessary to accomplish this easy process. Applicants are not required to possess volunteer hours before applying to be considered/selected as a student in the program.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Requirements for application are:

- Be a U.S. Citizen or Legal US Resident
- Be at least 18 years of age;
- Hold a high school diploma or its equivalent;
- Possess a valid military of dependent DOD ID card (family members of active-duty military personnel will be given priority consideration; however military retirees and their unemancipated dependents are also encouraged to apply)



PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

If selected and prior to beginning the training program, you will be required to:

- become a Red Cross Volunteer, obtaining a Red Cross Registration Number, completing a Red Cross background check and signing the Intellectual Property Agreement;
- provide evidence of current Basic Life Support/Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Certification or complete an IACH certifying course;
- provide documented information on current immunization requirements as required by the military treatment facility's Occupational Health Service. A preliminary list of requirements is included in the application packet;

- completion of Tuberculosis Risk Assessment Tool;
- completion of requirements (with results) for a background check in conjunction with the IACH Security Service (This will require providing identification, citizenship and prior residency information);
- complete the IACH orientation program which is 2 weeks in length;
- agree to and demonstrate compliance with the IACH dress code and appearance requirements.



Participants are expected to remain in the program for its duration as early graduation or program transfers are not permitted. However, as the duration of current military assignments

are very fluid, applicants are not required to remain attached to the installation for any length of time after graduation.

APPLICATION

Application for participation in the program is made by completing the application packet and participating in an onsite interview with the selection panel after your complete application is submitted

Application packets for the 2025 Program will be available beginning May 19, 2025 and may be obtained by contacting the Fort Riley Red Cross Regional Program Specialist at <u>undine.lasater2@redcross.org</u> or 316-268-0815.

Complete applications can be submitted by email at <u>undine.lasater2@redcross.org</u> or at Ft. Riley Red Cross Office, 210 Custer Avenue by close of business **June 27, 2025.** Late applications will not be accepted.

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