



CMA (AAMA)[®] Fact Sheet

Sets the bar for excellence in medical assisting.

The Certified Medical Assistant[®] (AAMA)—or CMA (AAMA)—credential represents a medical assistant who has been credentialed through the Certifying Board (CB) of the American Association of Medical Assistants[®] (AAMA).

College-Level Medical Assisting Education Required



- ✓ Must be a graduate with at least two semesters
- ✓ Must include basic anatomy, physiology, pharmacology, and relevant mathematics
- ✓ Must verify theory and technique for venipuncture as well as intramuscular, subcutaneous, and intradermal injections

Physician-Quality Exam Standards



The CMA (AAMA) Certification Exam is the only medical assisting exam that uses the National Board of Medical Examiners to construct and administer the exam. The NBME is responsible for many national examinations for physicians, including the United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE).

Rigorous Standards



- ✓ Item writing and exam development
- ✓ Exam security
- ✓ Psychometric analysis

Nationally and Globally Accredited



NCCA (National Commission for Certifying Agencies)

The CMA (AAMA) Certification Program is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies.

IAS (International Accreditation Service)

The Certifying Board of the AAMA is the only medical assisting certification body that has been accredited under ISO 17024 International Standard.

Recertification requirement

Recertification is required every 60 months by continuing education or exam.

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Is Your Medical Assistant CMA (AAMA)–Credentialed?

Why It Matters and How to Verify Certification

Credential Violations

A medical assistant who does not hold a medical assisting credential, who holds a credential other than the CMA (AAMA), or whose CMA (AAMA) is not current is not permitted to use these initialisms or this phrase:

- CMA (AAMA)[®]
- CMA^{CM}
- Certified Medical Assistant[®]

To learn more, read the *CMA (AAMA) Logo and Branding Usage Guide*, available on the AAMA website.

Credential Verification

Certification status is a matter of public record and may be released. Every day the AAMA responds to more than 100 employer requests for CMA (AAMA) certification verification—for both current and potential employees.

Instantly verify CMA (AAMA) credentials for ...

- Medical assisting staff members
- Medical assisting job applicants

Verify CMA (AAMA) status now.

CMA (AAMA) VERIFICATION

Employers quickly check credentials of staff and potential employees online

