

DANB's Code of Professional Conduct

Abbreviated Version

The Dental Assisting National Board, Inc. (DANB) established *DANB's Code of Professional Conduct* to promote quality and ethical practice, and to assist DANB Individuals* in understanding their ethical responsibilities to patients, employers, professional colleagues, the dental assisting profession, and the public.

All DANB Individuals must abide by *DANB's Code of Professional Conduct* and must maintain high standards of ethics and excellence in all areas of professional endeavor.

Violating *DANB's Code of Professional Conduct*, including but not limited to commission of any act specifically prohibited in *DANB's Disciplinary Policy & Procedures*, may result in disciplinary action and the imposition of sanctions.

Individual Autonomy and Respect for Others

DANB Individuals have a duty to respect the individuality, humanity, and autonomy of all people.

Health and Well-Being of Patients and Colleagues

DANB Individuals have a duty to refrain from harming others.

DANBs Individuals have a duty to protect the health and well-being of patients and colleagues.

Justice and Fairness

DANB Individuals have a duty to treat all people fairly.

Truth

DANB Individuals have a duty to communicate truthfully.

Confidentiality

DANB Individuals have a duty to respect the right to confidentiality of each patient.

Responsibility to Profession, Community, and Society

DANB Individuals have a duty to know and act within the law and to assist others to act within the law.

* "DANB Individuals" is an inclusive term that refers to all DANB exam applicants, DANB exam candidates, DANB certificants and those who hold DANB certificates of knowledge-based competence. See Definitions section of the unabridged document for additional detail.