

INTERIOR COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

1606 23rd Avenue
Fairbanks, Alaska 99701

Dental Hygienist

Requisition #:	08-021-DH01	Location:	Fairbanks, Alaska
Date of Revision:	04/16/2008	FLSA:	Non-Exempt or Exempt
Department:	Dental	Status:	Regular or Temporary Full-time or Part-time

Overview:

Under the general direction and supervision of the Dental Director/Dentist, this position treats and educates patients in the control and prevention of oral disease through proper oral hygiene and regular professional care within appropriate scope of practice across the lifespan.

Minimum Qualifications:

Education

Graduation from an accredited dental hygiene school; Bachelor's Degree with a major in Dental Hygiene preferred. State of Alaska Dental Hygiene License required; State of Alaska Anesthesia License preferred. Current BLS required.

Experience

Two years experience preferred; experience serving an ethnically diverse patient population across the lifespan required. Experience with DENTRIX preferred.

Essential Functions:

1. Provides direct patient care by providing prophylaxis, fluoride treatment, sealants, patient education, and perio scaling and root planing.
2. Assesses patient's medical history.
3. Assesses and obtains clinical evidence of patient's levels of periodontal health.
4. Takes and processes appropriate dental x-rays.
5. Delivers appropriate local anesthesia as requested by and under supervision of dentist.
6. Applies fluorides and other medications as necessary.
7. Accurately records treatment in electronic health records.
8. Recognizes and respond to emergencies.
9. Complies with dental office and corporation policy and procedures consistently in all aspects of employment.
10. Other duties as assigned by Dental Director/Dentist.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

Competent in dealing with racially and ethnically diverse populations.

Knowledge of medications used in conjunction with dental hygiene work.

Knowledge of health record keeping and dental charting.

Knowledge of OSHA Blood borne Pathogen Standards and adherence to safety standards.

Basic computer skills.

Excellent oral and written communication skills.

Ability to organize and prioritize tasks.

Ability to work under pressure.

Strong attention to detail and problem solving skills.

Ability to work independently and as a team member.

Ability to educate patients across the lifespan in all aspects of oral hygiene including consequences and treatment options for periodontal disease.

Position is based in the City of Fairbanks; however, position responsibilities may require travel both within the Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB) and Denali Borough. Use of personal vehicle is required for travel; therefore, a valid driver's license, proof of auto insurance and registration is required. Position may require working occasional evenings and weekends.

Supervision: This position has no supervisory responsibilities

Immediate Supervisor: Dental Director/Dentist; in his/her absence, Dentist.

Physical Demands/Working Conditions:

General office/clinic conditions are pleasant; good, clean working conditions where accident and hazards are negligible; requires short periods of moderate lifting, pushing or pulling objects up to twenty pounds. Clear diction and acute hearing are necessary for effective communication with the staff and public.

OSHA Classification I: Normal work routine involves potential for mucous membrane or skin contact with blood and/or body fluids; use of appropriate protective measures is required.

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