

SUMTER

FAMILY HEALTH CENTER

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Health and Well Being

JOB POSTING

Dental Hygienist

Position Summary:

Under the general clinical supervision of the assigned Dentist the Dental Hygienist provides support to facilitate the assessment, dental hygiene diagnosis, and treatment of patients.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Takes patient history.
- Performs clinical examination of teeth and surrounding tissues.
- Records findings and treatment plan in electronic dental record.
- Charts patient dentition and restorations.
- Performs correct periodontal charting, and gives correct recommendations and treatment plans to periodontal patients.
- Places radiographic sensors, exposes radiographs, and files in digital patient d
- Removes hard and soft deposits and stains from teeth.
- Performs full mouth debridement (use of sonic scaler).
- Applies fluoride varnish treatment.
- Applies pit and fissure sealant.
- Provides patient instruction and counseling regarding oral hygiene and proper nutrition and dietary issues.
- Removes excess cement from restoration or appliances.
- Polish restorations and supra-gingival tooth structure.
- Performs infiltration of local anesthetic for prophylaxis with completion of SC State Dental Board-approval course and certification by the SC State Dental Board.
- Monitors nitrous oxide anesthesia with completion of SC State Dental Board-approval course and certification by the SC State Dental Board.
- Performs duties of expanded duty dental assistant when required (see attached Appendix A).
- Ensures work area is kept safe, clean and well organized with an adequate amount of supplies.
- Maintains a cooperative and professional working environment with co-workers and patients.
- Abides by all OSHA, EPA and HIPAA regulations.
- Assists in providing Process Improvement reports for improving quality of patient care.
- Holds all patient Protected Health Information (PHI, other patient personal information, and agency information in confidence.
- Actively participates in and complies with all aspects of the Corporate Compliance Program, follows the Code of Conduct and obey all relevant laws, statutes, regulations and requirements applicable to Medicaid, Medicare and other State and Federal health care programs.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

Diploma from an accredited Dental Hygienist program and radiography certificate. Licensed to practice as a Dental Hygienist by the SC State Board of Dentistry. Two years of clinical experience in a dental office required. Must have good written and verbal communication skills. Must be able to relate to a variety of people at different developmental levels. Must possess the ability to prioritize tasks and manage time efficiently. Must be flexible as to the changing needs of the Center. Must be able to work as a team player at all times. Current CPR certification required.

Work Environment:

Very busy atmosphere. Highly stressful when dealing with individual personalities of co-workers, patients and their families. Potential for regular exposure to blood-borne diseases (Category I). Potential regular exposure to chemical hazard (Category A).

Physical Demands:

Considerable sitting, standing or walking. Assists with lifting and moving patients as necessary. Lifts supplies/equipment up to 20lbs occasionally and/or up to 10lbs frequently. Considerable reaching, stooping, bending, kneeling and crouching.

How to Apply:

If you are interested in applying for a position at SFHC, please print and complete the [Employment Application](#). Return your completed application to:

Sumter Family Health Center

Attn: Human Resources

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