

FHC Dental Hygienist

SUMMARY:

Under general supervision of a qualified Dentist, assesses patient needs, and helps plan and deliver direct patient care, both in clinic and at outreach sites as needed. Utilizes established dental hygiene protocol and procedures.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Assess dental condition and needs of patient; uses patient screening procedures, to include medical history review, dental charting, and periodontal charting.
2. Deliver direct patient care to patients as assigned, using established dental hygienist procedures; performs routine treatment procedures, such as cleaning, polishing, x-rays, application of sealants and fluorides, and related procedures.
3. Develop and implement individualized dental care plans for patients; performs patient education, discharge planning, and patient/family teaching under the supervision of a qualified dentist.
4. Assist with or institute emergency measures for sudden adverse developments during treatment of patients.
5. Interest in assisting both in our main clinic and with our outreach program at Early Childhood Centers and Schools. *This will require some heavy lifting of equipment in and out of our outreach van.*
6. Maintain and updates patient charts, records, and information, including outreach planning and documentation as needed.
7. Consult as appropriate.
8. Follow established departmental policies, procedures, and objectives, continuous quality improvement safety environmental and/or infection control standard.
9. Maintains licensing requirements.
10. Utilize technology as required.
11. Ensure behavior and performance meet FHC objectives.
12. Perform miscellaneous job-related duties as assigned.