

<<Your Practice>> is seeking a warm and friendly Dental Hygienist for our busy dental office. The chosen candidate will promote oral health by performing prophylaxis, oral cancer screenings and radiographic studies. The Dental Hygienist will chart conditions of decay and disease, while performing procedures that are in compliance with appropriate dental practices.

Dental Hygienist job duties include, but are not limited to:

- Prepare the treatment room for an incoming patient while adhering to prescribed procedures and protocols
- Prepare the patient for dental hygiene treatment by welcoming them, seating them, soothing them and draping them
- Provide patient education, answering any questions and fulfilling any reasonable requests
- Evaluate the patients oral health and choose the appropriate materials and equipment
- Sharpen and sterilize tools
- Perform dental prophylaxis by cleaning stains and deposits from teeth and beneath gum margins
- Detect diseases by completing oral cancer screening, visually inspecting and feeling the gums, and utilizing probes to identify periodontal disease, as well as assess levels of recession
- Arrest dental decay by applying fluoride and other cavity-preventing agents
- Maintain the patients appearance and their ability to masticate by fabricating temporary restorations; removing cement from crowns and bridges
- Assist dentist in managing dental and medical emergencies by maintaining CPR certification, emergency drug and oxygen supply
- Educate the patient by giving oral hygiene and plaque control instructions and postoperative instructions
- Document dental hygiene services performed by recording vital signs, medical, and dental histories; chart in patient record
- Maintain patient confidence and protect operations by keeping protected health information (PHI) confidential
- Maintain a safe and clean working environment by complying with all procedures, rules, and regulations
- Protect yourself, patients and other employees by adhering to infection-control policies and protocols
- Ensure the continual and safe operation of dental equipment by completing preventative maintenance requirements; following the manufacturer's instructions; troubleshooting equipment malfunctions; calling in service requests; maintaining equipment inventories; evaluating new equipment and techniques
- Maintain dental supply inventory by regularly checking the stock to determine appropriate inventory level; anticipate needed supplies; placing and expediting supply orders; verifying receipt of supplies
- Conserve resources by using equipment and supplies as needed to accomplish desired results
- Contribute to team effort by accomplishing related tasks as needed

Dental Hygienist Skills and Qualifications:

Dental Technology, Dental Health Maintenance, Infection Control, Health Promotion and Maintenance, Creating a Safe and Effective Environment, Active Listening, Teamwork, Administration of Medication, Thoroughness, Self-Development