

## **DENTAL HYGIENIST JOB SUMMARY**

### **Purpose**

The Dental Hygienist will be responsible for performing dental care for the Trenton Community Clinic which is an Indian Health Service (IHS). Through IHS, the Trenton Community Clinic is responsible for providing federal health services to American Indians and Alaska Natives. The Trenton Community Clinic is part of the Trenton Indian Service Area.

The Trenton Community Clinic is willing to hire this role in a part-time or full-time status, with preference seeking a full-time candidate. Normal business hours are Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM. Scheduling flexibility available if successful candidate prefers a part-time role.

Health care and dental care professionals may qualify for the IHS Loan Repayment Program and can learn more by visiting [www.ihs.gov](http://www.ihs.gov).

### **Responsibilities**

- Removing plaque and calculus from a patient's teeth including scaling and root planning and soft tissue curettage under the direction of the dentist
- Oral hygiene instruction and patient education
- Take and record preliminary medical and dental histories for interpretation by the dentist
- Reviewing a patient's oral health history
- Educating and teaching appropriate brushing and flossing techniques to patients of all ages
- Take dental radiographs for the dentist's analysis
- Assist with other daily departmental tasks to ensure the dental program runs efficiently and effectively
- Apply pit and fissure sealants and adjust sealants with a slow speed headpiece
- Classroom education during dental health month
- Apply fluoride varnish and chlorhexidine varnish
- Impressions for study casts
- Additional responsibilities may be assigned as appropriate, this summary is not considered to encompass all responsibilities

### **Qualifications**

- A graduate of a dental hygiene school accredited by the American dental association's commission on dental accreditation
- North Dakota state Dental Hygienist Licensure
- Friendly and professional bedside manner
- Ability to successfully pass all pre-employment requirements including a drug/alcohol test and background investigation.

### **Application Details**

If you are interested in being considered for employment with the Trenton Indian Service Area, please print and complete our employment application available on our website.

Applications should be emailed to Lacey Hippe, HR Director at [lacey.hippe@mytisa.org](mailto:lacey.hippe@mytisa.org).