

Contractual Position: State Dental Health Officer

The Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) is seeking a contractor to serve as the State Dental Health Officer (State Dental Director). This is a full-time (40 hours per week) temporary contract position and will be housed in either Northern Nevada (Carson City or Reno) or Clark County (Las Vegas). Statewide travel will be required. This position reports to the Chief Medical Officer.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

This position requires a senior-level dentist to provide clinical and public health leadership in the promotion of oral health in Nevada. The individual must hold an active Nevada dental license issued by the Nevada Board of Dental Examiners and have training and expertise in public health dentistry. Qualified applicants must have at least ten years of experience managing a public health oral health program. The successful applicant should have demonstrated public health experience at either the federal, state, or local level. The successful application should have at least five years of management experience including responsibility for developing budgets, monitoring expenditures, and staff recruitment. A master's degree in public health is mandatory.

JOB DUTY OVERVIEW

Under the administrative direction of the Chief Medical Officer, this position will provide leadership to the Division of Public and Behavioral Health and the Department of Health and Human Services in the training of dentists, dental hygienists, and other health care providers on the proper way to conduct oral exams for children and adults; promotion of educational and programmatic best practices; monitoring of community water fluoridation and other public health interventions for improving oral health; development of protocols including evidence-based prevention and treatment methodologies for dental caries, oral cancer and other oral diseases; monitoring of and training in infection control standards; and, partnering with community, professional and consumer organizations and government agencies to expand access to quality oral health services to those in need. This State Dental Health Officer shall devote his or her full time to the official duties of the position and shall not engage in any other business or occupations.

The successful candidate should be a clinical leader with the energy, knowledge and work ethic to make a difference. They need to be willing to enhance stability of Nevada's oral health workforce, provide direction and vision for the provision of dental care in this ever changing environment while increasing the collaboration between medical providers and dental care providers to address co-morbidities and promote the health and well-being of the individual. He or she should be willing to challenge the norm, creative enough to introduce or recognize new ideas, confident enough to routinely partner with community leaders and respectful enough to encourage successful collaborations.

BENEFITS:

Contractual position at \$83.94 per hour. MHM Services will coordinate pay and benefits with selected candidate.

SPECIAL NOTES AND REQUIREMENTS:

Fingerprinting and a background investigation through the FBI and NHP are required. The employee is responsible for all applicable fees upon hiring, plus additional fees for rolling fingerprints.

TO APPLY:

Please submit your Curriculum Vitae which details your experience, responsibilities, the nature and size of the organization/programs you worked for, salary history, reasons for leaving prior employment, and professional references to:

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Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health
Bureau of Child, Family and Community Wellness
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Carson City, NV 89706
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SELECTION PROCESS: Application material will be screened based on the qualifications; those candidates deemed most qualified will be invited to interview.

Announcement will remain open until recruitment needs are satisfied.

Contractual Position: State Public Health Dental Hygienist

The Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) is seeking a contractor to serve as the State Public Health Dental Hygienist. This is a full-time (40 hours per week) temporary contract position and will be housed in either Northern Nevada (Carson City or Reno) or Clark County (Las Vegas). Statewide travel will be required. This position reports to the Chief Medical Officer.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

This position requires a Registered Dental Hygienist with at least five years of experience in public oral health. The individual must hold an active Nevada RDH license issued by the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners and have (or be able to obtain within three months) a Public Health Endorsement. The successful applicant should have demonstrated public health experience at the federal, state, or local level. The successful applicant should have at least five years of leadership experience including responsibility for developing oral health programs or projects, monitoring quality and effectiveness of activities, and performing oral exams for public health surveillance. The qualified candidate must be an experienced and successful trainer. They will have developed and delivered oral health related education for other providers, specific community/populations cohorts (such as early childhood stakeholders, pregnant women, etc.) medical students or practitioners and/or the public. The trainings should have been in various venues (one-on-one, classroom environments, via videoconference, recorded videos, in person at large events and conferences, etc.). Excellent computer, writing and speaking skills are required. A master's degree in public health is desired.

JOB DUTY OVERVIEW

In collaboration with the State Oral Health Program Manager, the State Public Health Dental Hygienist (SPHDH) will develop a training and prevention plan for the unserved and underserved populations to promote oral health. Training curricula will be developed and/or identified in collaboration with the State Dental Health Officer. The SPHDH will be responsible to develop new materials (or update older versions) for use in the Oral Health Program. He or she disseminates dental health information and literature to the public. The SPHDH also is responsible for coordinating and overseeing Nevada's open-mouth Basic Screening Surveillance Projects, as funding is available. The SPHDH will be engaged in quality assurance and evaluation activities for the Oral Health Program. The SPHDH will serve as liaison with School-Based and/or School-Linked Sealant Programs. He or she will provide training to nurses and others on conducting oral health assessments, applying fluoride varnish and making dental referrals. As this is a new position, the initial year will include developing the full scope of the State Public Health Dental Hygienist position.

The State Public Health Dental Hygienist shall devote his or her full time to the official duties of the position and shall not engage in any other business or occupations.

BENEFITS:

Contractual position at \$48.48 per hour. MHM Services will coordinate pay and benefits with selected candidate.

SPECIAL NOTES AND REQUIREMENTS:

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