

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:

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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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.