



In your position at the Chippewa Valley Free Clinic, you will have an incredible opportunity to impact lives and help the most vulnerable receive the gift of health care. The patient services we provide depend on your dedication, contributions, and professionalism. Below is an overview of the tasks associated with your position. It is not all-inclusive and may change based on Clinic needs.

## **Job Description – Dental Hygienist**

Location: Eau Claire, WI

Category: Dental

Job Type: Part-Time, Grant-Funded LTE

Supervisor: Director of Dental Services

### **Role & Responsibilities**

The role of the dental hygienist is to promote dental health by completing dental prophys, providing oral cancer screenings, taking dental radiographs, charting conditions of decay and disease, and performing all procedures in compliance with the Dental Practice Act. Dental Hygienists must possess a current license to practice dental hygiene in the state of Wisconsin and be in good standing to practice their profession.

This position is an estimated 4-5 hours per week on Tuesday evenings.

### **Job Duties**

- Maintain a clean and safe working environment.
- Document all dentally relevant information including assessment, diagnosis, treatment, and referrals in the patient chart on blue, paper forms provided.
- Take patients' blood pressure and assess when premedication is needed.
- Remove hard and soft deposits from patients' teeth by performing dental prophylaxis: including polishing, hand, and ultrasonic instrumentation.
- Perform periodontal assessments.
- Provide dental screenings when needed to assess acute, chief complaint.
- Take diagnostically correct dental radiographs.
- Provide nutritional counseling and its impact on oral health.
- Provide oral hygiene instruction/patient education.
- Follow OSHA guidelines for PPE, cross-contamination, sterilization, and storage of dental instruments and supplies.
- Maintain confidentiality in accordance with the Chippewa Valley Free Clinic policies and procedures.

### **Qualifications / Experience**

- Registered Dental Hygienist in the State of Wisconsin
- Strong verbal and written communication skills
- Ability to work independently and within a team structure

- Strong organizational skills with the ability to prioritize
- Working knowledge of various software and database technology, including Microsoft Office
- Demonstrates respect for diversity
- Awareness of psychosocial barriers that impact the lives of the uninsured
- Embraces and supports the mission of the Chippewa Valley Free Clinic