

**LAKE COUNTY TRIBAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM, INC.
JOB DESCRIPTION**

TITLE: DENTAL ASSISTANT
DEPARTMENT: DENTAL
SUPERVISOR: LEAD REGISTERED DENTAL ASSISTANT
CLASSIFICATION: FULL-TIME NON-EXEMPT

POSITION SUMMARY:

Assists the dental provider in the performance of functions and activities as qualified by state law and training.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

- Demonstrates excellent team work through communication, positive attitude, willingness to help anywhere at any time
- Demonstrates excellent patient care and customer service through clean personal appearance, friendly demeanor, going to the extra mile for patients
- Prepare treatment rooms, instruments, and tray setups for dental procedures.
- Greet and prepare patients for treatment.
- Perform diagnostic quality dental radiographic procedures under the direction of the dentist.(Once training and certified)
- Assist the dentist during examinations and treatment procedures.
- Conduct work in compliance with office policies and procedures, safety and Cal/OSHA guidelines.
- Ensure patient confidentiality is strictly maintained.
- Participate in the achievement of patient satisfaction and office production goals by working efficiently and providing a high level of patient service
- Performs other tasks as legally and professionally qualified
- Takes pride in the appearance of the clinic and takes immediate steps to correct a discrepancy, like promptly disposing of garbage on the floor
- Takes directions/instructions from the lead assistant
- Maintain clean and organized the utility room, lab, operatories, sterilization area, assistants carts, radiology room
- Ensures that there is an adequate inventory of dental and administrative supplies in the rooms
- Covers phones for other staff members during breaks and lunch – if needed
- Cross-trains for front office and assists the lead dental receptionist when necessary to provide the efficient flow of patients and documents
- Performs other related duties as may be assigned by lead RDA, office manager, or dental director

EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSES:

- High School diploma or GED
- CA driver's license
- Current basic life support (CPR) certification.
- Radiation Safety Certificate (X-ray license).
- Proof of course completion in the California Dental Practice Act (CDPA) and Infection Control for Dental

- Assistants (8-hour) within 3 months of employment.
- Ability to perform detailed work according to established formats and protocols.
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills
- Optional Requirements (consider adding these requirements, if needed):
- At least one year of experience in a dental office preferred.
- Fluent in: Spanish preferred.
- COVID-19 Vaccine

All LCTHC employees are expected to:

- Provide the highest possible level of service to clients;
- Promote teamwork and cooperative effort among employees;
- Maintain safe practices; and
- Abide by the LCTHC policies and procedures as they may from time to time be updated.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Sitting / Mobility: Approximately 30% of time is spent working at a desk. Balance of time (approximately 70%) is spent moving around work areas. Communication: Ability to effectively communicate with co-workers, patients and members of outside agencies, in person, by telephone, and by email. Vision: Ability to view x-ray, dental records, effectively use a computer screen and interpret printed materials, memos, and other appropriate paperwork. Lifting / Carrying: Ability to occasionally lift and/or move objects weighing no more than 25 pounds. Stooping / Kneeling: Ability to access files/stock supplies in low cabinets and shelves. Reaching / Handling: Ability to use hands to finger, handle, or feel; reach with hands and arms, input information into computer systems and retrieve and work with appropriate paperwork, equipment, and supplies. Use of standard dental instruments and equipment, including dental x-ray, office equipment, computer, telephone, calculator, copiers, and fax. Work is performed in a dental office/clinic environment; continuous contact with other staff and the public.

INDIAN PREFERENCE: Preference may be given to qualified Native American Indians according to the Indian Preference Hiring Act, CFR 25 USC 472. Other than Indian Preference, Lake County Tribal Health Consortium, Inc. adheres to all provisions of the Equal Employment Opportunities Act.

NOTICE OF DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE ACT REQUIREMENT: LCTHC is committed to maintaining a drug free and alcohol free workplace. LCTHC believes that a healthy, productive workforce free from the effects of drugs is very important to all employees and patients. Substance abuse is incompatible with the health, safety, efficiency and the success of LCTHC. Employees who are under the influence compromise LCTHC'S interests, endanger their own and the health and safety of others and can cause a number of other work-related problems. As a condition of employment, each applicant receiving a job offer from LCTHC must take and pass a required drug screen test.

HIPAA Health Insurance Portability and Accountability:

This act was enacted to deal with three main areas with regard to patient information.

- Security of health information
- Standards of electronic transactions
- Privacy of individually identifiable health information

IMPORTANT DISCLAIMER NOTICE

The job duties, elements, responsibilities, skills, functions, experience, educational factors and the requirements and conditions listed in this job description are representative only and not exhaustive of the tasks that an employee may be required to perform. The employer reserves the right to revise this job description at any time and to require employees to perform other tasks as circumstances or conditions of its business, competitive considerations, or work environment change.

Lake County Tribal Health is an At-Will Employer. Either the employee or LCTHC can terminate the employment at will, without advance notice, at any time, with or without cause.

I have read and understand all aspects of this job description

Employee Signature

Date

Supervisor/Dept. Manager

Date

HR Signature

Date