

Dentistry

Description

Our dentists focus on oral health, providing care to surgical and non-surgical patients. This may include extractions, creation of obturators and other strategies that improve intra-oral function, speech and aesthetics of our patients. Throughout the mission they also provide preventative and home care instructions to patients and their families.

Qualifications

In order to be eligible as a dentist volunteer with Operation Smile, you must fulfill the following criteria:

- Currently licensed and in good standing.
- Competent treating children in the operation room.
- Aware of effects of extraction on the developing occlusion.
- Trained and experienced in taking impressions of patients with cleft palate, fabricating and adjusting of obturators.
 - **Must be able to fabricate obturators for credentialing on surgical missions.**
 - Applicants from certain countries without obturator experience may be credentialed for dental missions, but please note that presently dental mission opportunities are extremely limited. In recent years our demand for international dental volunteers has decreased significantly due to successful training initiatives for local dental volunteers across our program countries. While it is a testament to our efforts toward increased local capacity, unfortunately it does mean that we are currently unable to accept international volunteer dental applications for dental missions only.
- Board certified (as applicable by country)

Application documents needed:

- Completed Dental application online, including three references.
- Copy of resume/curriculum vitae detailing current experience.
- Copies of diplomas and degrees.
- Copy of current license/registration in field.
- Copy of Board certification (as applicable by country).