

Oral Health: Neonatal Orthopedics, Pediatric Dentistry, Orthodontics, General and Preventive Dentistry, Adult Rehabilitation and Prosthodontics

Description

Our Oral Health volunteers provide care for surgical and non-surgical patients. This may include extractions, creation of obturators, or other strategies that improve intra-oral function, speech, and aesthetics of our patients.

Oral Health Volunteer Roles

1. General Dentistry
2. Presurgical Orthopedics
3. Pediatric Dentistry
4. Orthodontics
5. Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
6. Oral Rehabilitation and Prosthodontics

Minimum Qualifications (All Roles)

All applicants must meet the following general requirements:

- Graduate of an accredited dental institution.
 - Maintain a valid dental license in home country.
 - Complete any indicated course material on Operation Smile Academy.
 - Be a member in good standing of the country's dental association/society (if applicable).
 - Basic Life Support (BLS) certification or equivalent is recommended.
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Role-Specific Requirements

1. General Dentistry

- Graduate of an accredited dental program (or dental therapy program if applicable).
- Provides general dentistry in home country.

2. Presurgical Orthopedics

- General dentist, pediatric dentist, orthodontist, or oral maxillofacial surgeon.
- Completed specialized training in neonatal presurgical orthopedic techniques through an approved hands-on workshop.
- Demonstrated clinical competence through 5–10 case submissions (minimum 2 unilateral, 3 bilateral), approved by Operation Smile Medical Oversight.

3. Pediatric Dentistry

- Certificate in pediatric dentistry from an accredited program OR demonstrated proficiency as approved by Operation Smile Medical Oversight.
- Currently provides pediatric dentistry in home country.

4. Orthodontics

- Certificate in orthodontics from an accredited program.
- Currently provides orthodontic care to patients with cleft lip and palate in home country.

5. Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

- Certificate in oral and maxillofacial surgery or equivalent from an accredited program OR demonstrated proficiency as approved by Operation Smile Medical Oversight.
- Currently provides oral surgery and care in home country.

6. Oral Rehabilitation and Prosthodontics

- Certificate in oral rehabilitation, prosthodontics, or equivalent from an accredited program OR demonstrated proficiency as approved by Operation Smile Medical Oversight.
- Provides dental prosthetic and restorative treatment to patients with cleft lip and palate in home country.

Application Requirements (All Roles)

Applicants must submit the following:

- Completed Operation Smile Volunteer Application.
- Current curriculum vitae (CV) in English detailing education and professional experience.
- Dental school diploma
- Valid specialty certificates (if applicable)
- Current licensure
- Background check as required by the Foundation office.