

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

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| 1. General Dentistry | 4. Orthodontics |
| 2. Presurgical Orthopedics | 5. Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery |
| 3. Pediatric Dentistry | 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).
 - Hold a current Basic Life Support (BLS) certification; Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) certificate may serve as an equivalent.
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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
- Valid BLS certification (or equivalent)
- Background check as required by the Foundation office.