



**STATE OF OREGON  
POSITION DESCRIPTION**

**Position Revised Date:**  
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**Agency:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Facility:** \_\_\_\_\_

New       Revised

**This position is:**

- Classified
- Unclassified
- Executive Service
- Mgmt Svc – Supervisory
- Mgmt Svc – Managerial
- Mgmt Svc - Confidential

**SECTION 1. POSITION INFORMATION**

<p>a. Classification Title: <u>Dental Assistant</u></p> <p>c. Effective Date: <u>December 1, 2008 or signed</u></p> <p>e. Working Title: _____</p> <p>g. Section Title: _____</p> <p>i. Employee Name: _____</p> <p>k. Work Location (City – County): <u>Salem, OR. Marion County. Health Services Administration</u></p> <p>l. Supervisor Name (Optional): _____</p>	<p>b. Classification No: <u>C6391</u></p> <p>d. Position No: <u>9103001</u></p> <p>f. Agency No: _____</p> <p>h. Budget Auth No: _____</p> <p>j. Repr Code: _____</p>
<p>m. Position:    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Permanent      <input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal      <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Duration      <input type="checkbox"/> Academic Year  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full-Time      <input type="checkbox"/> Part-Time      <input type="checkbox"/> Intermittent      <input type="checkbox"/> Job Share</p>	
<p>n. FLSA:      <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt      <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Exempt</p>	<p>If Exempt:    <input type="checkbox"/> Executive  <input type="checkbox"/> Professional  <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative</p>
<p>o. Eligible for Overtime:    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	

**SECTION 2. PROGRAM AND POSITION INFORMATION**

**a. Describe the program in which this position exists. Include program purpose, who's affected, size, and scope. Include relationship to agency mission.**

The program in which this position exists is the Health Services section of the Oregon Department of Corrections. The purpose of this program is to provide health care to inmates at each state institution operated by the Department of Corrections. State and federal laws have established that inmates are entitled to health care during incarceration. Health care services available to inmates must be consistent with health care provided in the community in order to meet the legal obligation the state has when persons are incarcerated. This means that all types and levels of health care must be provided in a clinically appropriate manner by properly credentialed professionals in settings equipped and designed for the delivery of health care. Health care includes medical, dental and psychiatric/mental health services.

The Health Services section is comprised of an administrative unit which sets policy and long term direction and a series of operational units representing the health care program at each facility or a division wide clinical service. The health care program at each of the correctional institutions operated by the Department is responsible for delivering health care to inmates consistent with policy established by the Section. The average daily population for whom the entire range of services must be available is 13,500 inmates. The Health Services section employs more than 500 health care personnel and manages a number of agreements with health care organizations in communities throughout Oregon and the surrounding states in order to deliver constitutionally adequate health care. The biennial budget for the Health Services section exceeds \$150 million dollars.

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**b. Describe the primary purpose of this position, and how it functions within this program. Complete this statement. The primary purpose of this position is to:**

Provide direct assistance to the dentist while performing dental treatment; to assure instruments, supplies and equipment are available for patient care.

**SECTION 3. DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES**

List the major duties of the position. State the percentage of time for each duty. Mark "N" for new duties, "R" for revised duties or "NC" for no change in duties. Indicate whether the duty is an "Essential" (E) or "Non-Essential" (NE) function.

% of Time	N/R/NC	E/NE	DUTIES
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		E	All staff are expected to model pro-social behaviors; reinforce positive behaviors; redirect negative behaviors; and effectively communicate observed behaviors to responsible program staff, administrators, and supervisors in support of OAM.
80%	R	E	Provides chairside assistance to the dentist; assures that chairside skills conform and are optimized to treatment style of assigned dentist, providing for maximum clinic productivity. Records dental pathology and conditions on appropriate forms as assessed by the dentist.
5%	R	E	Responds to written and verbal requests for treatment or coordinates response from provider. Assures that treatment lists are accurate and current. Schedules patients to be seen by providers. Assures that information in the Inmate Health Plan (DOC 400) is accurate; reflects number of patients seen and treatments provided. Submits statistical data as directed by the provider. Coordinates with security staff to treat patients in isolated populations. Responds to requests for emergency treatment. Addresses questions from other DOC staff about dental treatment.
5%	R	E	Prepares the dental operator for patient treatment, assuring all infection control guidelines are followed; organizes tools and supplies specific for procedure. Cleans and sterilizes dental tools. Assures that tools and supplies are stored in a neat and orderly fashion.
2%	R	E	Assure security is maintained over all instruments and equipment. Exposing, processing, mounting and filing of dental radiographs, following accepted standards of practice.
2%	R	E	Conducts inventories; order tools and supplies as needed to assure adequate quantities available. Maintains dental instruments and equipment, including cleaning, sharpening, sterilizing, and assures proper working order. Coordinates maintenance and repair of equipment with DOC staff and contracted technicians.

2%	E	Responsible for cleanliness and neatness of the operatories.
1%	E	Instruct inmates in basic principles of proper oral hygiene.
1%	E	Participate in the development of CQI projects and makes recommendations to the appropriate program area for improvement or necessary change.
1%	E	Assist in control and supervision of inmates in immediate area, both patients and workers.
1%	E	Other duties as assigned.

**MINOR DUTIES:**

1. Emergency assignment to assist security staff in times of inmate disturbance.
2. Maintain knowledge of, and perform work according to Department Rules, Policies and Procedures, institution rules and regulations, and Division policy and procedure.
3. Attend and participate in mandatory in-service training, according to Department standards.

**SECTION 4. WORKING CONDITIONS**

**Describe any on-going working conditions. Include any physical, sensory, and environmental demands. State the frequency of exposure to these conditions.**

Will be expected to share the mission, vision, and core values of the department; requires being a role model of pro-social behavior and having an attitude that conveys dignity and respect in the treatment of others; must be able to acknowledge that everyone is capable of positive change; requires contact with inmates who may become violent; requires walking or standing for long periods, requires climbing and descending stairs; possible exposure to chemicals, radiation, communicable diseases or other hazards inherent in a health care and correctional setting. Supervision and control of inmates in an inherent responsibility.

You must have a valid driver's license and a good driving record or be able to provide an acceptable alternative method of transportation.

**SECTION 5. GUIDELINES**

**a. List any established guidelines used in this position, such as state or federal laws or regulations, policies, manuals, or desk procedures.**

- ! NCCHC Standards
- ! Department of Corrections Administrative Rules, Policies and Procedures
- ! Professional Practice Acts (ORS)
- ! ORS on Patient Rights, Confidentiality
- ! Health Services Policies and Procedures, Institution Operating Procedures
- ! Desk Manuals

**b. How are these guidelines used?**

- ! Used to establish documentation files of compliance for accreditation.
- ! Establish guidelines and direction for how work will be done and used to provide information to inmates.
- ! Necessary to know limits of practice of dental assistant and clerical staff in a health setting, and when to refer questions or information.
- ! Needs technical skills to perform duties as dental assistant.

**SECTION 6. WORK CONTACTS**

With whom, outside of co-workers in this work unit, must the employee in this position regularly come in contact?

Who Contacted	How	Purpose	How Often?
<i>Note: If additional rows of the below table are needed, place cursor at end of a row (outside table) and hit "Enter".</i>			
Ancillary Staff within Institution	Phone & Direct	Exchange information	Daily
Security Staff	Phone & Direct	Exchange information	Daily
Repair & Service personnel	Phone & Direct	Routine & Emergency repair or equipment	As needed
Central Business Office personnel	Phone	Discuss billing & payments of medical treatment	As needed

### SECTION 7. POSITION RELATED DECISION MAKING

Describe the typical decisions of this position. Explain the direct effect of these decisions.

- ! Length of time for exposure and processing of x-ray film.
- ! Scheduling of appointments according to length of time required to complete various procedures.
- ! Length of time and frequency for sterilization of tools and equipment.
- ! Anticipation of tools needed for hand-off to dentist during procedure.
- ! Quantity and variety of equipment and supplies necessary for departmental operation.
- ! Scheduling of inmates in accordance to need for treatment.

### SECTION 8. REVIEW OF WORK

Who reviews the work of the position?

Classification Title	Position Number	How	How Often	Purpose of Review
<i>Note: If additional rows of the below table are needed, place cursor at end of a row (outside table) and hit "Enter".</i>				
Medical Services Manager		1. Daily observation. 2. General review of work accomplished. 3. Use of work plan. 4. Performance appraisals. 5. Input from assigned dentist.	Daily – On-site	1. Assure completion of job duties. 2. Assure efficient use of time.
Supervising Dentist A		Direct observation	As needed	Asses clinical performance

### SECTION 9. OVERSIGHT FUNCTIONS

THIS SECTION IS FOR SUPERVISORY POSITIONS ONLY

- a. How many employees are directly supervised by this position? \_\_\_\_\_
- How many employees are supervised through a subordinate supervisor? \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Which of the following activities does this position do?
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Plan work               | <input type="checkbox"/> Coordinates schedules                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assigns work            | <input type="checkbox"/> Hires and discharges                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Approves work           | <input type="checkbox"/> Recommends hiring                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Response to grievances  | <input type="checkbox"/> Gives input for performance evaluations  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Disciplines and rewards | <input type="checkbox"/> Prepares & signs performance evaluations |

### SECTION 10. ADDITIONAL POSITION-RELATED INFORMATION

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:** List any knowledge and skills needed at time of hire that are not already required in the classification specification:

The person in this position works within a prison setting and is responsible for maintaining security and supervision of prisoners.

Must maintain Certificate of Radiological Proficiency.

Security Review Differential Points Assigned: Dental Assistant C6391 (2)

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** List any special mandatory recruiting requirements for this position:

- ! Certificate of Radiological Proficiency.
- ! CPR and First Aid Certificates.
- ! Copy Machine.
- ! X-ray equipment and processor.
- ! Sterilizing equipment.
- ! Telephone
- ! Valid Drivers License.

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Managers and supervisors are expected to provide leadership that contributes to the establishment of a working environment that is positive, productive and free from harassment and discrimination. As part of this effort, managers and supervisors are expected to participate in and encourage others to participate in the agency's activities that support affirmative action. This includes recruiting, selecting, retaining and promoting individuals with a diverse background who are committed to the mission and values of the Department.

**BUDGET AUTHORITY:** If this position has authority to commit agency operating money, indicate the following:

Operating Area	Biennial Amount (\$00000.00)	Fund Type
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**SECTION 11. ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**

Attach a current organizational chart. Be sure the following information is shown on the chart for each position: classification title, classification number, salary range, employee name and position number.

**SECTION 12. SIGNATURES**

Employee Signature	Date	Supervisor Signature	Date
Appointing Authority Signature	Date		