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We're Hiring! Join Our Team.

We are Accepting Applications for the Following Position: **Hourly Dental Hygienist (10408)**

Founded in the 1920s and headquartered in Decatur, GA, DeKalb Public Health (DKPH) works to protect, promote and improve the health and well-being of all DeKalb County residents.

Our vision is for a healthier DeKalb where all residents have equitable access to public health resources and live healthy lives. If you have a passion for people and are looking to make an impact on the health of the community, we invite you to join our team! For more information about our agency please visit dekalbpublichealth.com.

POSTING DATE: 09/29/2025

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 10/29/2025

LOCATION: T.O. Vinson / North Health Centers

DIVISION/DEPARTMENT: Community Health / HAP / Oral Health

SALARY INFORMATION: \$35.00 Hourly / Pay Grade J / Job Code HCT012

DUTIES: Under general supervision, cleans teeth, examine head, neck, and oral areas for sign of oral disease. May educate clients on oral hygiene and develop x-rays or apply fluoride or sealants. May serve as lead hygienist. Clean teeth observe abnormalities in face, mouth, neck and take x-rays. Apply fluoride and other cavity preventing agents to arrest dental decay (varnish, sealants). Screenings, Fluoride treatments, cleans calcareous deposits, accretions, and stains from teeth and beneath margins of gums, using dental instruments. Feels and visually examine gums, using probes, to locate sores, periodontal recessed gums, and signs of gum disease. Check lymph nodes under client's chin to detect swelling or tenderness that could indicate presence of oral cancer. Give oral hygiene instructions explain procedures to patients, parents help patients with paperwork. Call schools, head-start programs, YMCA, etc. to set up events. Call schools and agencies to coordinate Dental Quiz Bowl annual events. Prepare supplies for events. Complete event paperwork and enter the appropriate database. Provide dental school screening. Provides clinical services and health education to clients and/or staff to improve and maintain oral health. Create PowerPoint presentations and provide education for health fairs, school career days, Red Ribbon events. Present at parent teacher meetings in the schools. Assist the dentist with x-rays and exams. Clean operatories thoroughly follow all recommended procedures. Clean instruments and bag for sterilization, run sterilizer and empty when sterilization is complete. Clean trays, set up trays for the next patient. Keep operatory stocked with supplies. Inform appropriate staff when supplies are low. Contact local extended living centers to offer services to residents. Visit all DCBOH dental clinics regularly for infection control. Work on updating forms necessary for various procedures. Chart conditions of decay and disease for diagnosis and treatment by dentist. Provide front desk assistance when needed. Complete continuing Education classes (virtually and face to face). CDC, HIV, American Dental Association (ADA) maintain knowledge of infection control related to upcoming diseases and infections.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Associate's degree in dental hygiene from an accredited college or university AND current Georgia dental hygienist license AND Two years of related experience

OR

One year at the lower level Dental Hygienist 2 (HCT011) or position equivalent.

NOTE: Thank you for your interest in DKPH. Due to the volume of applications, we are unable to provide application status by phone or email. All qualified candidates will be considered but may not necessarily receive an interview.

Selected applicants will be contacted for next steps. Applicants who are not selected will not receive notification. We have the right to close any position at any time for any reason.

Employment with DeKalb Public Health is not complete or official until applicants meet all pre-employment requirements. Requirements for this position may be subject to: Pre-Employment Drug Screening, Criminal Background Check/Fingerprinting, Previous Employment Reference Check, Specific Immunizations, Motor vehicle check, and/or Education and/or Licensure verification.

ALL APPLICANTS MUST APPLY FOR THIS POSITION & COMPLETE APPLICATION IN: "Career Opportunities" at [Job Opportunities | Locations: dekalb county | Sorted by Posting Date descending | JOB OPPORTUNITIES \(governmentjobs.com\)](#) If you require accommodations under the American Disability Act (ADA), email request by the closing date of this announcement to: jannise.gray1@dph.ga.gov.

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