

# Sessional Dentist

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## About the job

**Job Title:** Sessional Dentist Contract Work

**Work Site:** Vancouver Public Health Dental Program for Children, Robert & Lily Lee Family Community Health Centre (RLLFCHC) - Vancouver, BC

**Status:** Part time/Contract

**Start Date:** As soon as possible

**Hours:** 8:30 – 4:30

**Come work as a Sessional Dentist with Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH)!**

Vancouver Coastal Health is looking for a Sessional Dentist to join the Dental Program at the Robert & Lily Lee Family Community Health Centre. Apply today to join our team!

**As a Sessional Dentist, you will be working in the Vancouver Public Health Dental Program for Children and Pregnant Mothers at RLLFCHC.**

## SUMMARY:

With assistance from a Certified Dental Assistant (CDA), completing new patient and recall oral examinations and/or treatment planning of patients, including prescribing and interpretation of radiographs in conjunction with treatment appointments.

## EXAMPLES OF DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

Dental service and oral hygiene services that include, but are not limited to the following:

- Services provided for children in grade 7 and under for those where social determinants of health influence their oral health.
- Provide a variety of routine clinical dental restorative treatments with the assistance of a CDA using primarily amalgam, stainless steel crowns, composite on anterior secondary teeth, along with necessary pulp treatments on primary teeth.

- Competence in simple extractions of primary and secondary teeth
- Review pictures/history of urgent dental problems to triage patients for emergency appointments
- Provide emergent care for swelling, uncontrolled pain and traumatic injury for children up to 18 years of age.
- Support the Early Intervention Program by interacting with caregivers regarding caries risk assessment, performing oral examinations of their young children, demonstrating tooth brushing and applying fluoride varnish
- Provide preventive dental treatment including cleaning/scaling, SDF application, fissure sealant and preventative resin application.
- Provide oral health information/education to the patient and family
- Perform duties including reviewing patient records and radiographs.
- Explain dental procedures, post-operative instructions to the patient and family.
- Educate caregivers about application process and qualifying criteria for dental health insurances for priority populations.
- Provide treatment with mild sedation appropriately (nitrous oxide).
- client referrals if additional services and/or treatment as required
- Support the dental hygienist in the education of high risk pregnant person, complete exams and provide necessary medications for pregnant patients.
- Chart all related notes to patient interactions
- Liaise with other health professionals including physicians, dentists, hygienists, nurses, allied health, etc.
- And other related duties.

## QUALIFICATIONS

- Graduation from a recognized Dental School plus one (1) years recent, related general dentistry experience with children, or an equivalent combination of education, training and experience.
- Current registration and licensure in good standing with the College of Dental Surgeons of British Columbia.
- All other licenses, qualifications, privileges and credentials required to deliver the Services.

## Knowledge & Abilities

- Working knowledge of the current techniques and standards of preventive and restorative dental practice.
- Knowledge of materials, techniques and instruments used by Dentists
- Knowledge of general dental office principles and procedures.

- Knowledge of the techniques and standards of pediatric oral hygiene in the public health setting.
- Competency in providing mild sedation using Nitrous Oxide.
- Knowledge of infection control & reprocessing standards.
- Current CPR accreditation.
- Ability to communicate effectively, both verbally and in writing, and knowledgeable in business writing skills.
- Ability to work within a team environment.
- Ability to deal tactfully/effectively and maintain confidentiality with the public, volunteers and other employees and agencies.
- Demonstrated ability to work with children.
- Demonstrated ability to work under pressure, to work independently with minimal direction, to problem-solve, to take initiative, to anticipate potential problems/conflicts and take appropriate actions, to organize and to prioritize work and to meet deadlines.
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- Ability to make mathematical computations with reasonable speed and accuracy.
- Ability to use a variety of relevant computer software applications such Cleardent, and Microsoft applications.
- Physical ability to carry out the duties of the position.

Successful applicants may be required to complete a Criminal Records Review Check.

## WHY JOIN VANCOUVER COASTAL HEALTH?

VCH is a world class innovator in medical care, research and teaching, delivering service to more than one million BC residents. At VCH, we embrace thinking boldly, taking smart risks, and "going first" when we believe it will lead to the best possible outcomes for patients and their families. We invite you to join us in creating healthy lives in healthy communities by showcasing our passion for care, connection to the communities we serve and our culture of teamwork that makes VCH a great place to work.

- Wellness supports, including counselling, critical incident and innovative wellness services are available to employees and their immediate families
- Award-winning recognition programs to honour staff, medical staff and volunteers
- Access to exclusive discount offers and deals for VCH staff

Diversity, equity and inclusion are essential to delivering exceptional care and building a great place to work. At VCH, we value and accommodate unique differences to ensure that our

staff and medical staff (both current and prospective) have the opportunity and are supported to thrive.

To build a strong and representative workforce, we are seeking candidates who will contribute to a caring and inclusive culture. We encourage applications from members of communities that are disadvantaged on any grounds under the B.C. Human Rights Code, including Indigenous Peoples, people of colour, people of all genders and sexualities and people with disabilities.

VCH is proud to be recognized as a Best Place to Work in Canada in 2021 by Glassdoor and Forbes.

**Only short-listed applicants will be contacted for this posting.**

Thank you for your interest in Vancouver Coastal Health.