**VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTION**

**Position Title:** Mobile Dental Clinic Volunteer Dental Assistant  
**Department:** US Programs Care & Connect  
**Reports To:** Medical Teams Care & Connect Staff as appropriate  
**Time Commitment:** 5–7-hour clinic shifts (preferably a minimum of 4x per year)

**Position Summary:**
- Fulfill the role of a Dental Assistant on a volunteer basis on board a Medical Teams International Mobile Health Clinic  
- Provide excellent free dental care to low income and underserved individuals lacking dental insurance, means to pay for care themselves or reasonable access to needed dental care  
- Be compassionate, understanding, and respectful to members of our target population

**Essential Duties and Responsibilities:**
- Prepares patient, sets up instrument tray, materials and assists chairside during dental procedures.  
- Take diagnostic x-rays  
- Applies protective coating of fluoride to teeth  
- Provides postoperative instructions prescribed by dentist after any extractions or other dental procedures  
- Instruct patients in oral hygiene and plaque control

**Other Duties:**
- Will be expected to work with dentists and staff that may be unfamiliar to them  
- Must be able to volunteer during hours that meet the needs of the program  
- Must be willing to see most patients on a one-time “chief complaint” need basis as opposed to treatment planning/comprehensive care  
- May occasionally participate in sealant, oral surgery, or other specialty clinics according to expertise and preference  
- Protect patient health information in compliance with HIPAA laws

**Desired Minimum Qualifications:**
- Current Dental Assistant Certification in good standing for the state of practice.  
- Active x-ray certification

**Tools and Equipment Used:**
- Mobile Health Vans are fully equipped and stocked with current dental equipment, supplies, instruments, and limited medical supplies  
- Open Dental and Dentrix software  
- Phosphor plate x-rays with Apixia scanner

**Physical Demands:**
- Typical of practice in a dental office in a somewhat limited, but adequate workspace  
- Prolonged sitting, standing.  
- Must be able to communicate with patients/staff/volunteers effectively.  
- Manual dexterity is required to carry out treatment.  
- May be exposed to bloodborne pathogens, chemical/respiratory hazards, PPE is required.