



Dentistry IN SOUTH DAKOTA

Allied Staff News

Well-Being

Resources for the Dental Profession



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I see incredible results when people are willing to take a risk in being vulnerable, ask for help, and have the courage to make decisions aligned with their own values. Living their best life allows them to live with more fulfillment and peace, making them better partners, parents, and community leaders. Often people do not know where to start in finding a mental health practitioner who understands the dental world. We have excellent resources available in South Dakota including the SDDA’s Be Well Program – working with me or the State Board’s Health Professionals Assistance Program working with Midwest Health Management Services. Here is information on each:

SDDA Be Well Program: I am honored to be working with the SDDA and offering three free and confidential counseling and coaching sessions for dentists and dental team members across the state. Topics for counseling/coaching have included burnout, relationships, parenting, building a business while managing home responsibilities, energy management, anxiety, decision making, leadership, purpose, and transitions. So far, I have worked with 32 dentists and dental team members to find clarity, build a strategy, and enhance agility skills so that success and wellbeing are common practice. Additionally, I am available to provide in-office wellbeing workshops for the entire dental team. The workshops are invaluable for the team and support retention and job satisfaction.

Health Professionals Assistance Programs: Midwest Health Management Services (MWHMS) holds agreements with the South Dakota Boards of Nursing, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Optometry, Nursing Facility Administrators, and Addiction & Prevention Professionals to operate their Health Professionals Assistance Programs (HPAP). Each licensing board acknowledges a primary concern for public safety and can offer a HPAP in accordance with South Dakota law. Health professionals who are experiencing symptoms of mental health or substance use illnesses are individuals who have dedicated their lives to helping others and are now in need of care themselves. If left untreated or if under-treated, these illnesses can place even the finest clinicians and their patients at risk. Referrals may come from any source including self-referrals, peers, physicians, colleagues, attorneys, treatment centers, family or friends. If you call HPAP about a colleague, your contact is held in the strictest confidence. HPAP can serve as a resource to help determine appropriate next steps. Visit: <https://www.mwhms.com/>.

Please reach out if I can support you in the important work you do. Self-care is patient care.
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be Well



Add the SDDA to your “Safe Sender List”



Don’t miss out on important information from the SDDA! Please add @sddental.org to your safe sender email list to avoid the South Dakota Dental Association emails being sent to your junk/spam folders. We send a limited number of emails each month and we want you to receive the important and timely information that affects you and your practice.

Classified Ads

Dakota Family Dentistry in Huron, SD is seeking a registered dental hygienist to join our team. The ideal candidate should be dedicated to providing excellent patient care with exceptional service. This is an outstanding opportunity to practice in a well-established clinic with a great team in a wonderful community. Benefits include \$5000 sign-on bonus, student loan repayment for 3 year commitment, competitive pay, 401K with profit-sharing, in-house dental benefit plan, paid sick leave, vacation, dues, licenses, CE, and 6 paid holidays. Visit our website at: www.dakotafamilydentistry.org for an application or call 605-352-6999.

NEW OPENING Dental Hygienist: Are you a dental hygienist looking to make a difference? Would you like to set your own schedule? Delta Dental of South Dakota's Mobile Program has collaborative supervision opportunities for dental hygienists. These opportunities include both—full time and part-time flexible schedules, including working specific weeks or months out of the year. The dental hygienists will work under collaborative supervision in South Dakota, primarily on the Pine Ridge or Cheyenne River Native American Reservations. The dental hygienists will join a team providing preventive services and oral health education in schools, Head Starts, etc. Extensive travel is required. May be eligible for benefits including health, dental, vision, life/long term disability insurance, paid holidays, vacation/sick leave, 401k, and more. For more information visit www.deltadentalsd.com. Submit a cover letter and resume to: summer.sporrer@deltadentalsd.com. Questions? Contact Zach Parsons at 605-494-2558.

The University of South Dakota Department of Dental Hygiene is looking for **retired dental assistants** who are willing to fill in for reception and dental assisting duties on an as needed basis. Please apply: <https://yourfuture.sdbor.edu/postings/35864>.

SOUTHERN BLACK HILLS

MULTIPLE OPPORTUNITIES IN BEAUTIFUL CUSTER, SD!



1. FULL TIME DENTAL HYGIENIST (4 DAYS/WEEK)
2. PART TIME DENTAL HYGIENIST (1-3 DAYS PER WEEK)
3. FRIDAY ONLY RDH - SUPPLEMENT YOUR INCOME WITH REGULAR OR OCCASIONAL FRIDAY SHIFTS!

Custer Dental Studio is seeking dental hygienists to join our growing team. As a new, professional, dentist-owned and operated office, we offer fresh, clean, modern dental care in the local setting of Custer, SD. In addition to a full-time and/or part-time dental hygienist, we are also looking for hygienists who want to supplement their income with regular or occasional Friday shifts.

Highlights: Pay range \$40.00 to \$45.00+ per hour depending on experience and efficiency of job duties = INCREDIBLE INCOME POTENTIAL!

- Competitive Benefits Package
- Covid-19 safety protocols in place
- Same-day technology (Cerec), Eaglesoft operating system, digital x-rays, CBCT, dental laser, and modern hygiene instrumentation.
- Large active patient base and many new patients every month. Patients are a mixture of children and adults with a variety of dental procedures needed. S/RP, prophylaxis, and perio maintenance procedures are common in our office.
- Must hold dental hygiene license (RDH) or in the process of obtaining a license as a condition of employment and hold X-Ray certification in the State of South Dakota. CPR training required and provided by the office. Licensing paid for current employees.

HOW TO APPLY: Please indicate which position you are interested in (Full Time, Part Time or Friday's only) and send resume and cover letter to: insurance@custerdentalstudio.com

Custer Dental Studio is proud to be an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate against applicants or team members because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability status, sexual orientation, or gender identity of an otherwise qualified individual, or membership in any other class protected by applicable law.

WORK LOCATION: Custer Dental Studio, 141 N. 5th St, Custer, SD 57730

www.custerdentalstudio.com – check out the Careers Page on our website for more information.

@CusterDentalStudio on Facebook and Instagram

CONTINUING EDUCATION CALENDAR

The listing of these programs is provided as a service to SDDA Newsletter subscribers, and does not mean that these programs have been endorsed or approved by the SD Dental Association or the SD State Board of Dentistry. All members are cautioned to evaluate the programs on their own merit.

SOUTH DAKOTA DENTAL ASSOCIATION 2024 ANNUAL SESSION

Contact: Melissa Afdahl, 605-609-1152
melissa@sddental.org, www.sddental.org

May 16-18, 2024; Sioux Falls, SD

WESTERN DAKOTA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Contact: 605-718-2410; email: corped@wdt.edu

Third Friday of the month (AM)

- American Heart Association CPR Class for Healthcare Professionals

Third Friday of the month (PM)

- American Heart Association CPR Recertification for Healthcare Provider

Dental Radiology (2-day course)

- Jan 5-6; Feb 16-17; or Mar 15-16, 2024 in Rapid City

SOUTHEAST TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Contact: 605-367-4607
or corporateeducation@southeasttech.edu

Dental Radiology

- March 1, 2024

LAKE AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Contact: Nicole Pahl, 605-882-5284, ext. 362;
Nicole.Pahl@lakeareatech.edu
<https://www.lakeareatech.edu/corporate-education/corporate-education-registration/>

Home Study Radiology Courses available:

- Radiology Safety
- Radiography Production

Introduction to Basic Concepts in Dental Radiography

Dates for 2024 TBD

CPR COURSES

CPR: Contact: Tia Meyer; 605-842-5672 or
meyertia@hotmail.com

605CPR: Local instructor with 20 years of CPR teaching experience. We provide AHA and Red Cross BLS/ACLS/PALS certification www.cprsiouxfallssd.com; jr@605CPR.com; 605-525-4CPR (4277). Will travel.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Contact: Dept. of Dental Hygiene, 605-658-5960

Nitrous Oxide/Oxygen Sedation Course

- June 6-7, 2024

Radiology Certification for Dental Assistants

- June 13-14, 2024

Local Anesthesia Certification

- June 18-20, 2026

Local Anesthesia Refresher

- June 14, 2024

Nitrous Oxide/Oxygen Inhalation Sedation Refresher

- June 20, 2024

AAP Periodontology Guidelines

- July 19, 2024

Advanced Instrumentation

- July 26, 2024

Home Study Courses available:

- Radiology Interpretation, Pathology & Anomalies
- Errors of PA's, BWS & Panoramic Radiography
- Oral Effects of Head & Neck Radiation Therapy
- Radiation Safety
- Portable Dental Radiography
- SDF

ADA CE ONLINE

Contact: www.ada.org/goto/ceonline

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF DENTAL BOARDS

Contact: 1-800-621-8099

- "The Dental Patient Record"



FOUNDATION GRANT APPLICATIONS

The South Dakota Dental Foundation provides financial support to people, organizations, and causes that improve oral health in South Dakota.

Contributions are awarded for:

- Dental health projects for the underserved
- Continuing education and promotion of professional ethics
- Dental and student activities and scholarships
- Recruitment of dentists and dental students to South Dakota
- Dental education programs for the dental professional and the public

**APPLICATIONS
DUE
APRIL 1, 2024**

For more information and an application: www.sddental.org>SD Dental Foundation>Grants & Gifts

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