Erin Gallagher

Hygienist

Hygienist with 4 years of clinical experience in busy general practices around Omaha, seeing 9-10 patients a day. Handles dental cleanings, prophylaxis, periodontal charting and local anesthesia, and uses intraoral photos to make patient education stick. Licensed in Nebraska and known for warm customer service and clear communication skills.

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Experience

Hygienist

Prairie Lane Dental • Omaha, NE • 05/2024 - Present

General practice with 3 dentists, 3 hygienists and Saturday hours.

- Perform dental cleanings and prophylaxis for **9-10** patients a day on a 50-minute hygiene schedule.
- Chart 6-point periodontal readings at every recall and flag pockets over 4 mm to the dentist for treatment planning.
- Capture intraoral photos of plaque, cracks and gum recession, helping raise same-day treatment acceptance by 15%.
- Administer local anesthesia for deep cleanings, about 20 patients a month, with careful dosing for medically complex patients.

Dental Hygienist

Millard Family Dentistry • Omaha, NE • 06/2022 - 04/2024

Family practice with 2 dentists and 2 hygiene rooms.

- Completed adult and child cleanings for 8-9 patients a day, including fluoride and sealants.
- Exposed bitewings and full-mouth series under dental radiography safety rules for 40+ patients a week.
- Coached families on brushing and flossing, and new cavities among child recall patients fell by about 10%.
- Managed HIPAA-compliant records and recall notes for about 1,800 hygiene patients.

Dental Assistant (Part-Time)

Haymarket Dental Care • Lincoln, NE • 08/2020 - 05/2022

Part-time role at a 2-dentist office while in dental hygiene school.

- Provided chairside support for 2 dentists on evening and Saturday shifts, about 10 patients per shift.
- Sterilized instruments and turned over 5 operatories between patients in under 7 minutes.
- Confirmed next-day appointments by phone with friendly customer service, keeping no-shows near 6%.

Skills

Dental Cleanings , Prophylaxis
Periodontal Charting
Local Anesthesia
Intraoral Photos
Dental Radiography
Patient Education , HIPAA
Customer Service
Communication Skills

Education

Bachelor of Science

University of Nebraska Medical Center

Lincoln, NE

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Dental Hygiene

Certificates

Dental Hygiene License

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

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Local Anesthesia Permit

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

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BLS for Healthcare Providers

American Heart Association

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