



MobileSmiles Oklahoma Volunteer Orientation

What we do: MobileSmiles is a nonprofit dental care program operated through a partnership of the Oklahoma Dental Foundation and the Delta Dental of Oklahoma Oral Health Foundation.

Our goal is to eliminate barriers to oral health care for Oklahomans and provide education and tools for a better future. We serve many people who cannot afford dental care, must drive a great distance to receive it, do not have insurance, or have other barriers in receiving oral health care and education.

What to expect:

- Once you arrive at the mobile unit, a member of the ODF staff will be there to greet and acclimate you with the mobile unit surroundings.
- Clinic set-up begins at 8:30, with first patient(s) scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m.
- Clinic end times vary depending on complexity of patient care, but final patient(s) are scheduled at 3:00 p.m.

What to bring:

- Scrubs and closed toed shoes are required.
- Loupes, if you prefer to wear them.
- If you are volunteering the whole day, lunch will be provided for you on behalf of the program.
- A positive attitude, ready to help!

Patient Care:

- In some cases, patients are pre-screened and screening information is provided to you. Other times, exams and x-rays are necessary. All proper diagnosis materials are available on-board.
- It is important to review each patient's health history paperwork.
- Prioritizing care for the patients - our highest priority is to get each person out of pain. If they are not in pain, restorative and preventative care are subsequent priorities. Keep in mind challenges of time constraints. It is not always possible to treat every existing condition, and patients are made aware of that prior to their appointment.
- Supplies available- hand instruments, handpieces, Cavitron, Nomad x-ray machine, gloves, masks;
 - **Local Anesthesia** – Lidocaine, Septocaine, Mepivacain, Topical Anesthetic, 30 gauge short needles, 27 gauge long needles;

- **Restorative** – Packable composite, flowable composite, etch gel, bond, amalgam, Tofflemire bands, dental dams, articulating paper, microbrushes, Gluma, Fuji, Formocresol, Ketac, mixing wells, etc.;
 - **Preventative** – prophylaxis cups, prophylaxis paste, fluoride varnish, floss, sealant material;
 - **Oral Surgery** – sutures (chromic gut), surgical blades;
 - **Sterilization** – autoclave, ultrasonic, Statim.
- Charting forms must be completed for patients following each appointment. The MSO Community Coordinator will familiarize you with required forms.

Contact Information:

- MobileSmiles Program Director, Melissa Reese, (405) 241-1299, cell (580) 585-1155, mreese@okdf.org;
- MobileSmiles Community Coordinator/Driver, Jordan Blalock, (580) 467-7180;
- MobileSmiles Lead Dental Assistant, Connie Abundis, (405) 823-1020.

Stay connected with MobileSmiles:

- Keep up with other MobileSmiles Volunteers by joining our private Facebook group! Visit facebook.com/groups/msovolunteers and share stories and advice for volunteering on the mobile units.
- Like our Facebook page at facebook.com/MobileSmilesOK for program information, volunteer opportunities and more! Photos of the mobile units are also available to view if you haven't seen the mobile units before.
- Visit MobileSmilesOK.com for a list of up-to-date, statewide volunteer opportunities.

Thank you so much for choosing to volunteer with us! We hope you have a memorable and positive experience.