## GOVERNMENT OF KIRIBATI POSITION DESCRIPTION

1.	Ministry: Ministry of Health and Medical Services		
2.	Position Title: Dental Hygienist	3. Salary Level: 16-14	4. Division: Dental
5.	Reports To: Senior Dental Therapist, Senior Dental Officers	6. Direct Reports: Chief Dental Office	rr
7.	<ul> <li>7. Primary Objective of the Position:</li> <li>1. To enhance our oral health awareness program especially with school children.</li> <li>2. Clinically they also provide preventive procedures and other care to improve the oral health status of the general public.</li> </ul>		

8. Position Overview		
9. Financial:	10. Legal: Medical Act	
11. Internal Stakeholders:	12. External Stakeholders:	
Chief Dental Officer	Ministry of Education	
Senior Dental Officers	Head and School Teachers	
Dental Assistants	School committees e.g. Primary School, PTA	
Dental Hygienist (colleagues)	Local business suppliers	
Senior Dental Therapists	Media e.g. BPA	
Pharmacy	Local NGO e.g. Drama groups, KFHA	
Administrators		
Health promotion unit	To be referred to Manager:	
	Collaborations with communities on Dental awareness programs	
To be referred to Manager:	Seeking approval for dental visits	
<ul> <li>Management of more complicated dental diseases</li> </ul>	Obtaining informed consent for dental treatments to	
<ul> <li>Approval for new programs/initiatives</li> </ul>	parents/caregivers e.g. PTA (Parents Teachers Association)	
<ul> <li>Schedules for dental school visits</li> </ul>	Distribution of preventive dental aids to the community and	
Dental awareness activities	Distribution of preventive defical alds to the community and	

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• Record and report data from Schools and other community visits

schools.

## 13. KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES (Include linkage to KDP, MOP and Divisional Plan)

- KDP/KPA: 3 Health
- MOP Outcome: 3. Health 3.2 Reduce child morbidity and mortality,3.5 Reduce burden and incidence of other NCDs,3.6 Improved health service delivery
- Divisional/Departmental/Unit Plan: Dental, MHMS

Key Result Area/Major Responsibilities	Major Activities/Duties	Performance Measures/Outcomes
Key result area 1: General public and especially our young population become more dentally aware	<ul> <li>Running of school dental program</li> <li>Running of ANC dental program</li> <li>Providing oral hygiene instructions to patients attending the clinics</li> <li>Assist in organizing and running of Radio Programs through media</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reduction in caries rate in primary schools</li> <li>Brushing activity seen in primary schools</li> <li>Improvement in DMFT score of adults and oral health of maternal</li> </ul>
Key result area 2: Assist in staff overload and increase in public demand	<ul> <li>Doing Dental Assisting when needed</li> <li>Providing dental extraction when need arises under supervision</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reduction in re-booking of patients</li> <li>Reduction in patient complaints</li> <li>Reduction in patient's waiting time</li> </ul>
Key result area 3:  Long term effect on overall oral health of our population	<ul> <li>Continued provision of clinical prophylaxis and scaling</li> <li>Outreach program to outer islands</li> <li>Provision of fissure sealants to Primary Schools</li> <li>Provision of GIC ART when working remotely</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reduction in National DMFT score</li> <li>Reduction and improvement in periodontal index (Periodontal diseases rate)</li> </ul>

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10. Key Challenges	11. Selection Criteria
To work with children who are more challenging to treat	11.1 PQR (Position Qualification Requirement):
<ul> <li>To work in the field in a less ideal environment in terms of ergonomics</li> </ul>	Education: At least Form 6 Science School certificate
<ul> <li>To be able to maintain a high standard of infection control</li> <li>High expectation from dental operators on identification</li> </ul>	<b>Experience</b> : At least 2 months working experienced as a Dental Hygienist
and use of dental materials and instruments with minimal training	Job training: Should have trained locally at the Dental department for at least 6 months
<ul> <li>To work in a highly infectious environment in contact with body fluids, dirts and blood with use of standard</li> </ul>	
<ul><li>precautions</li><li>To be exposed to hazardous chemicals and to handle them</li></ul>	<b>Prerequisite:</b> An eligible person should have skills in dental extraction, Atraumatic restorations and dental assisting
safely	11.2 Key Attributes (Personal Qualities):
	<ul><li>Knowledge</li><li>Customer and Personal Service</li></ul>
	o Computer literate
	Skills:
	<ul> <li>Proven competence and ability in clinical practice</li> <li>Demonstrated time management skills</li> </ul>
	Attributes
	Caring and friendly attitude     Keep in working with kids
	<ul><li>Keen in working with kids</li><li>Teamwork</li></ul>
	<ul><li>Approachable</li><li>Resilience</li></ul>
	<ul><li>hardworking and dedicated</li></ul>

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