

Dental Health



Career Opportunities

Dental Assistant
Dental Hygienist
Dentist
Dental Technician

Wages

Dental Assistant
Average Salary-
\$33,470

Dental Hygienist
Average Salary-
\$68,250

Dentist
Average Salary-
\$146,940

Dental Technician
Average Salary-
\$35,140

Schooling / Training

Dental Hygienist

At least an associate's degree in dental hygiene needed to enter the occupation.

Dentist

Bachelor's Degree needed to enter Dental School. After graduating, state licensing exam must be passed.

Dental Assistant

Some states require assistants to graduate from an accredited program and possibly pass a state exam. In other states, on the job training is provided.

Dental Technician

High school diploma- on the job training provided.

Dentists work very closely with assistants, hygienists, and technicians daily.

Job Outlook

Employment in the dental health field is expected to grow much faster than the average from 2010-2020.

Did you know that Porter County offers a Dental Health Program?

