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Dentist

What a Dentist does.

Dentists perform preventative and maintenance dentistry and educates the patient in proper oral hygiene.

Dentists diagnose and treat problems with patients' teeth, gums, and related parts of the mouth. They provide advice and instruction on taking care of the teeth and gums and on diet choices that affect oral health.

Dentists may recommend braces or surgery to correct any malformations.

There are many specialty areas a dentist can consider such as, orthodontics, endodontics, pediatrics, oral and maxillofacial surgery, etc.

For more information, refer to the American Dental Association (ADA.org)

Median Annual Wage: $140,000 - $180,000

Becoming a Dentist

- *Explore undergraduate degrees in sciences: biology, chemistry, biochemistry, anatomy, physiology, etc.*
- *Consider a healthcare shadowing/volunteer experience.*
- *Obtain a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university.*
- *Obtain a dental degree from a accredited dental school. Dental programs are 4 academic years including clinical rotations.*
- *Complete an internship in general dentistry (optional).*
- *Apply for a state license to practice as a dentist.*
- *Maintain state licensure.*

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