

An externship is a vital part of your preparation for a dental career. The Indian Health Service (IHS) offers you an opportunity to enhance your skills, obtain practical experience and provide dental services to American Indians and Alaska Natives.

# Division of Oral Health Externship Site Profiles

*A Guide to Participating Facilities, Cultures and Communities*



*Opportunity. Adventure. Purpose.*

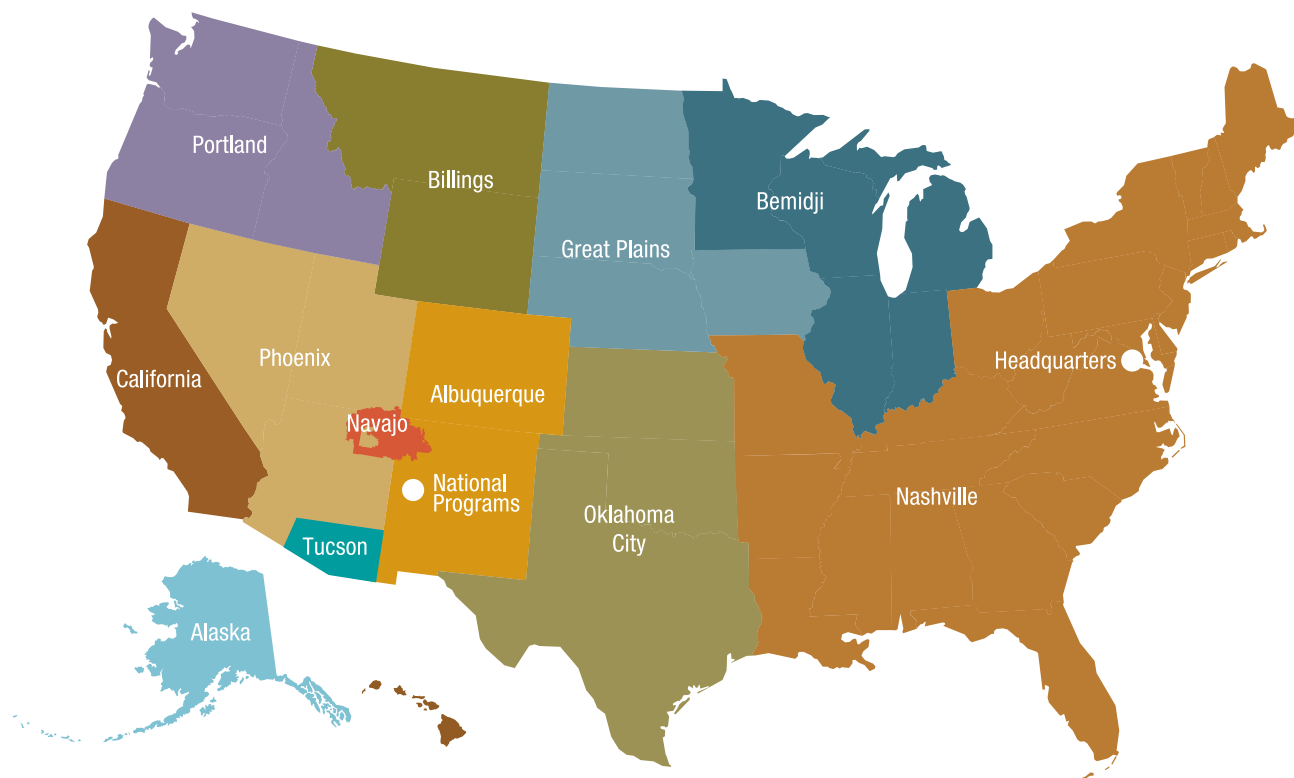


## INTRODUCTION

In the pages that follow, you'll learn about IHS dental externship sites, their attributes and attractions and the types of dentistry you'll be able to practice there. You'll get practical advice, such as the distance to the nearest airport, where to stay and where to find recreational activities, as well as specifics on what you can learn and whom to contact. These listings are designed to help you identify the IHS Area(s) that would be the best match for you based on the externship experience you seek to accurately market yourself to your preferred IHS Area(s) when completing your application. Each facility offers comprehensive dental practice experience and most are located in some of the most beautiful and recreational locations in the continental United States and Alaska.

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# ALASKA

The Alaska Area provides comprehensive health services to Alaska Native people, Eskimos, Aleuts, Indians and non-Natives living in remote locations. Health professionals working in Alaska experience firsthand the unique cultures and traditions of Native Alaskans. Members of several Tribes have historically lived in well-defined regions with little mixing of ethnic groups. As a result, each group retains many of its original customs and beliefs. The Area offers fantastic scenery and an abundance of opportunities for recreational activities.



## ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM\*

*\*This facility is not accepting externs in 2020.*

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Alaska

**Address:** 4200 Lake Otis Parkway, Suite 204  
Anchorage, AK 99508

#### Site Preceptor Information:

Sarah Shoffstall-Cone, DDS  
[Sshoffstallcone@anthc.org](mailto:Sshoffstallcone@anthc.org)  
(907) 729-5607

**Type of Externship:** Observational

**Length of Externship:** 2 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:** No collaborative agreements yet.

**Facility Oversight:** Tribal

**Type of Facility:** Educational classrooms and clinics.

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** Secondary site in Bethel, AK, located 450 air miles from Anchorage.

**Off-site Opportunities:** Alaska Native Health Campus

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** Yes

**Number of:** Operatories: 9                      Dentists: 5  
                    Hygienists: 0                      Dental Auxiliaries: 4

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 0

**Dental Procedures Performed:** N/A

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:** Periodontics, pediatrics, public health.



## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Anchorage, AK

**Population:** 298,695

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:** Anchorage Ted Stevens International Airport — 10 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Taxi

**Free Housing:** Yes

**Is Internet/Cable Access Available at Free Housing?** Yes

**Local Services:** All that a large US city offers.

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Fairbanks, AK	32,751	359
Juneau, AK	32,756	849

### Local Attractions:

- » Tony Knowles Coastal Trail
- » Anchorage Museum
- » Alaska Center for the Performing Arts
- » Alaska Native Heritage Center
- » Anchorage Market and Festival
- » Chugach State Park
- » Alaska Railroad
- » Alaska Aviation Museum

### Recreational Opportunities:

- » Camping
- » Hiking
- » Fishing
- » Biking
- » Boating
- » Bird-watching
- » Hunting
- » Wildlife tours.
- » Scenic tours.

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:** All 229 federally recognized Tribes in Alaska.

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** Multiple and ongoing.



## SAMUEL SIMMONDS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Alaska

**Address:** 7000 Uula Street, PO Box 29  
Barrow, AK 99723

**Site Preceptor Information:**

Anjanette Walsh, DDS

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(907) 852-9221

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 2 weeks



**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

- |                                   |  |                                      |
|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| » A.T. Still University           | » Missouri School of Dentistry and Oral Health | » University of Kentucky             |
| » Boston University               | » Roseman University of Health Sciences        | » University of the Pacific          |
| » Midwestern University, Illinois | » Texas A&M Health Sciences Center             | » University of Texas at San Antonio |
|                                   |  | » University of Utah                 |

**Facility Oversight:** Tribal

**Type of Facility:** Hospital

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** Five village clinics.

**Off-site Opportunities:** Village dental trips.

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** Yes.

**Number of:** Operatories: 10      Dentists: 4 to 5  
Hygienists: 3      Dental Assistants: 9

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 at the facility, 6 in the villages.

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- |                 |                              |  |
|-----------------|------------------------------|--|
| » Operative     | » Non surgical periodontics. | » Externs will not do any endodontics, crown and bridge or removable |
| » Oral surgery. | » Preventive                 | prosthodontics.  |

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:** Specialty clinics are held annually with the prosthodontist for removable prosthetics, a periodontist and an oral surgeon.

## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Barrow, AK (Utqiagvik)

**Population:** 4,335

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:**

Wiley Post-Will Rogers Memorial Airport — 1 mile  
*Barrow is only accessible by air or sea. Alaska Airlines provides daily flights to/from Anchorage and Fairbanks.*

**Transportation Available from Airport:**

Externs are picked up by dental clinic providers.

**Free Housing:** Yes

**Is Internet/Cable Access Available at Free Housing?** Yes

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:**

» Arctic Slope Native Association Housing      » Top of the World Hotel



**Local Services:**

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
The Arctic Pizza (Italian, Pizza, Sandwiches and Salads)	Local Gift Shops	Alaska Commercial Company "AC"
Cruz's Mexican Grill (Mexican)	Ace Hardware	Barrow Quick Stop
East Coast Pizzeria (Italian, Pizza, Subs, Salads and Hamburgers)	GCI Store (Telecommunications)	Stuaqpak "Stuck-puck" (New Grocery Store)
Liliana's Fresh Baked (Bakery Items, Coffee and Ice Cream)	Fur Shop	
Niggivikput — Top of the World Hotel (American and Local Cuisine)		
Osaka (Sushi, Japanese and American)		
Northern Lights (American and Asian)		
Sam & Lee's Restaurant (American and Asian)		
Subway (Sandwiches)		

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Fairbanks, AK	33,000	502 via plane
Anchorage, AK	294,356	723 via plane

**Local Attractions:**

» Community cultural activities.      » Whale Bone Arch      » Wiley Post and Will Rogers Crash Memorial  
 » Inupiat Heritage Center

**Recreational Opportunities:**

» Arctic Ocean access.      » Bird-watching      » Tundra Tours — Top of the World Hotel.  
 » Barrow Whalers High School football games (August/September).      » Fishing (July to September)      » Wildlife viewing.  
 » Four-wheeling and snow-machining.

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:**

» Primary  
     • Alaska Native Inupiat  
 » Secondary  
     • Other Native beneficiaries.  
     • Local non-Native population due to rural locale.

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:**

» Fourth of July Games and Parade (three-day festival)  
 » Nalukatuq Whaling Feast (end of June)  
 » Spring and Fall Whaling (April/May and September/October)



## YUKON-KUSKOKWIM HEALTH CORPORATION

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Alaska

**Site Address:** 829 Chief Eddy Hoffman Hwy.  
Bethel, AK 99559

#### Site Preceptor Information:

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(907) 543-6247

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training  
with some observation.



**Length of Externship:** 4-8 weeks, ideally 6-8 weeks.

#### Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:

- » A.T. Still University
- » Boston University
- » Oregon Health Science University
- » Pacific University
- » Roseman University of Health Sciences
- » Texas A&M University College of Dentistry
- » University of Colorado at Denver
- » University of Kentucky
- » University of Louisville
- » University of Tennessee
- » West Virginia University

**Facility Oversight:** Tribal

**Type of Facility:** Health Center

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** Satellite subregional clinics that include more than 50 remote villages ranging from 12 to 150 miles from Bethel and are accessible only by bush plane, boat or snowmobile.

#### Off-site Opportunities:

- » Rural Community Action Program (CAP)
- » Head Start
- » "Mushing for Brushing"
- » "Smile Alaska Style"
- » July 4th parade.
- » School screenings including varnish, sealants, OHI and ARTs.
- » Hospital calls when referred.
- » Operating room rotation (shadow pediatric dentist).
- » Village travel with portable dental unit.
- » Opportunity to work with dental therapist.

#### Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities? Yes

**Number of:** Operatories: 14      Dentists: 12      Dental Assistants: 19 current (27 fully staffed)  
Hygienists: 3      Dental Auxiliaries: 12      Orthodontists: 1

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 – 6

#### Dental Procedures Performed:

- » Exams
- » Operative
- » Fixed and removable prosthetics.
- » Endodontics starts and finishes.
- » Extractions (simple and surgical).
- » Scaling and root planing (SRP).
- » Biopsies

#### Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:

- » Orthodontics
- » Pediatric dentistry.

## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Bethel, AK

**Population:** 6,456

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:** Bethel Municipal Airport — 3.9 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Taxi

**Free Housing:** Yes

**Is Internet/Cable Access Available at Free Housing?** Yes

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:** Long House

### Local Services:

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET	OTHER
Baba's Pizza and Sub	AC	AC	Farmers' Market
Brother's Pizza and Subs	Connie's Place	Swanson's	Movie theater
ChopstiX	Swanson's		
Fili's Pizza			
Tundra Restaurant			
Wasabi Bay			

### Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Akiachak	627	13.6
Atmautluak	277	18.2
Kwethluk	749	15.7
Napakiak	367	9.3

Bethel is located at the mouth of the Kuskokwim River, 40 miles inland from the Bering Sea. It lies in the Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge, 400 air miles west of Anchorage. The surrounding remote villages range from 12 miles to 150 miles away and are only accessible by bush plane, boat or snowmobile. Bethel serves as the regional center for 56 villages in the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta. Food, fuel, transportation, medical care and other services for the region are provided by Bethel.

### Local Attractions:

- » Cultural Center/ Yup'ik Museum
- » Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge
- » Yukon Kuskokwim River
- » Yupiit Piciryarit Museum

### Recreational Opportunities:

- » Hunting
- » Fishing
- » Boating
- » Intervillage travel.
- » Camping
- » Bird-watching
- » Berry picking.

## Tribal Information

### Tribes This Facility Serves:

- » Yu'pik Eskimos
- » Cu'pik Eskimos
- » Athabascan Indians

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** The Yu'pik Eskimo villages maintain a fishing and hunting subsistence lifestyle.





# Bemidji

(Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin)

The Bemidji Area administers health care to 34 federally recognized Tribal and Urban Indian groups. Many Tribal patients (or members of Tribes) are geographically isolated from the urban facilities and community health centers and must rely on a team approach of IHS, Tribal and contract providers for their health care needs. The Great Lakes and thousands of inland lakes surrounding this Area offer some of the best boating, fishing and water sports in the nation, while the unspoiled forests of this Area make for great hiking, camping and hunting.

## CASS LAKE HOSPITAL

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Bemidji

**Site Address:** 425 7th Street NW  
Cass Lake, MN 56633

**Site Preceptor Information:**

Mark Ellis, DDS

[Mark.Ellis@ihs.gov](mailto:Mark.Ellis@ihs.gov)

(218) 335-3230

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** Typically 3 weeks  
but lengths can vary.

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

» University of Iowa Dental School

» University of Minnesota Dental School

**Facility Oversight:** Federal

**Type of Facility:** Hospital with a dedicated dental clinic.

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

**Off-site Opportunities:** Outreach dental work at Cass Lake Elementary School, Cass Lake Middle School and Cass Lake Head Start.

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** Yes

**Number of:** Operatories: 9                      Dentists: 5  
                    Hygienists: 0                      Dental Auxiliaries: 12

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- » Restorative
- » Limited and comprehensive exams.
- » Endodontics up to first molars.
- » Crowns but not bridges.
- » Complete and partial dentures.
- » Pediatric care.
- » Oral surgery (not including impacted wisdom teeth).

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:**

- » Pediatric dentistry.





Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Cass Lake, MN

**Population:** 750

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:**

» Bemidji Regional Airport — 20 miles      » Duluth International Airport — 129 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car or taxi.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:** Visit [visitbemidji.com/lodging/index.html](http://visitbemidji.com/lodging/index.html) for a list of hotel options.

**Local Services:** Visit [visitbemidji.com](http://visitbemidji.com) for a list of local services.

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Bemidji, MN	14,942	16
Grand Rapids, MN	11,211	58

**Local Attractions and Recreational Opportunities:** Visit [visitbemidji.com](http://visitbemidji.com) for a list of local attractions and recreational activities.

Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:** All federally recognized Tribes.

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** Local summer pow wows.



## FOND DU LAC HUMAN SERVICES DENTAL CLINIC

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Bemidji

**Site Address:** 927 Trettel Lane  
Cloquet, MN 55811

**Site Preceptor Information:**

Abby Danelski

[AbbyDanelski@fdlrez.com](mailto:AbbyDanelski@fdlrez.com)

(218) 878-3707

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 2 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

» University of Minnesota School of Dentistry

**Facility Oversight:** Tribal

**Type of Facility:** Clinic

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 15                      Dentists: 6  
                    Hygienists: 4                      Dental Auxiliaries: 10

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 – 6

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- |               |                              |                        |
|---------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| » Amalgams    | » Post and cores.            | » Splints              |
| » Composites  | » Crowns                     | » Oral surgery.        |
| » Endodontics | » Full and partial dentures. | » Pediatric dentistry. |

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:** N/A



## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Cloquet, MN

**Population:** 12,111

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:**

Duluth International Airport — 25 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:**

Canal Park Inn and Suites (Duluth)



**Local Services:**

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Gordy's Hi-Hat	Downtown Cloquet	Super One
Pedro's Grill and Cantina — Cloquet	Downtown Duluth	Cub
Perkins	Canal Park Shops	
Trapper Pete's Steakhouse and Saloon — Cloquet		

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Duluth, MN	86,293	20
Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN	3,280,000	126

**Local Attractions:**

- » Jay Cooke State Park
- » Canal Park Lakewalk
- » Bayfront Park
- » Duluth Aquarium
- » Marine Museum
- » Spirit Mountain Recreation Center
- » Lake Superior Hiking Trail

**Recreational Opportunities:**

- » Hiking
- » Mountain biking.
- » Kayaking
- » Canoeing
- » Sailing
- » Paddleboarding
- » Fishing

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:**

- » Primary:
  - MN Chippewa
  - Enrollees from other Tribes living in the service area.
- » Secondary:

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:**

- » Fond du Lac Reservation Cultural Center and Museum
- » Fond du Lac Reservation Veterans Pow Wow



**RED LAKE HOSPITAL****Site Description****IHS Area:** Bemidji**Address:** 24760 Hospital Drive  
Red Lake, MN 56671**Site Preceptor Information:**

David B. Moore, DMD

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(218) 679-0119

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.**Length of Externship:** 2 weeks**Collaborative Agreements —****Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

» University of Minnesota Dental School

**Facility Oversight:** Federal**Type of Facility:** Hospital with a dedicated dental clinic.**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No**Number of:** Operatories: 14                      Dentists: 2  
                         Hygienists: 1                      Dental Assistants: 4**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 6 – 8**Dental Procedures Performed:**» Limited and comprehensive exams.                      » Endodontics, including molars                      » Extractions  
» Restorative    (WAVEONE® endodontics system).**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:** N/A

## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Red Lake, MN

**Population:** 1,731

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:**

» Bemidji Regional Airport — 33 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car, taxi.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:**

» Best Western

» Comfort Inn



**Local Services:** A full range of facilities and services are available in Bemidji, MN. Visit: [visitbemidji.com](http://visitbemidji.com) for a list of local services. Bemidji is home to Bemidji State University.

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Applebees	Target	Lueken's Village Foods
	Walmart	Walmart

### Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Bemidji, MN	14,942	33
International Falls, MN	6,424	111
Grand Forks, ND	52,838	112
Fargo, ND	105,549	130
Duluth, MN	86,293	150
Minneapolis-St Paul, MN	3,280,000	234

### Local Attractions:

» Lake Itasca State Park  
» Paul Bunyan and Babe

» Pine Island State Forest  
» Leech Lake, Chippewa National Forest

» Local museums and historic areas.  
» Numerous lakes.

### Recreational Opportunities:

» Hiking  
» Biking  
» Camping  
» Hunting  
» Fishing

» Boating  
» Water skiing.  
» Nature observation and bird-watching.  
» Photography  
» Snowmobiling

» Cross-country skiing.

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:**

» Red Lake Chippewa Tribe

» All federally recognized Tribes.

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** Local summer pow wows.

## WHITE EARTH HEALTH CENTER

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Bemidji

**Site Address:** 40520 County Hwy 34  
Ogema, MN 56569

**Site Preceptor Information:**

Dr. Ben Sitz

[Benjamin.Sitz@ihs.gov](mailto:Benjamin.Sitz@ihs.gov)

(218) 983-6285

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training with some observation.

**Length of Externship:** 2 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

- » University of Kentucky
- » University of Minnesota School of Dentistry, Minneapolis
- » University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio

**Facility Oversight:** Federal

**Type of Facility:** Health Center

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:**

- » Nay-Tah-Waush Clinic (open Monday, Tuesday and Friday)
- » Pine Point Clinic (open Thursday)

**Off-site Opportunities:** The clinic operates an outreach program that provides sealants, fluoride treatments, education and prophies in area schools, Head Starts and daycares.

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** Yes

**Number of:** Operatories: 9      Dentists: 5  
Hygienists: 2      Dental Auxiliaries: 6

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 – 6

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- » General dentistry:
  - Exams
  - Prophies
- Scaling and root planing.
- Restorative
- Endodontics (premolar and anterior).
- Oral surgery.
- Pediatric dentistry.
- Removable prosthodontic services.

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:**

- » Pediatric dentistry — Complete OR cases one day per week and provide pediatric dental services in the main clinic.
- » Public health dentistry — Available at the clinic.





## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** White Earth, MN

**Population:** 580

### Local Airport and Distance from Facility:

- » Hector International Airport (Fargo, ND) — 60 miles
- » Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport — 235 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

### Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:

- » The AmericInn Lodge and Suites (Detroit Lakes)
- » Best Western Premier — The Lodge on Lake Detroit (Detroit Lakes)
- » Best Western Plus — Holland House (Detroit Lakes)

### Local Services (Detroit Lakes, MN):

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET	OTHER
El Loro Mexican Grill	Walmart	Central Market	Movie theater
Zorbaz	Local shops	Walmart	
Spanky's Stone Hearth			
Fireside Hearth and Home			



### Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Mahnomen, MN	1,229	21
Detroit Lakes, MN	9,165	23
Fargo, ND	120,762	60

### Local Attractions:

- » Itasca and Maplewood State Parks
- » WE Fest (early August)
- » Detroit Lakes and Park Rapids, MN
- » Becker County Fair (first weekend in August)
- » Detroit Lakes July 4th Celebrations
- » Multiple shopping opportunities are available in Fargo, ND, including West Acres Mall.
- » Water Carnival (mid-July)
- » Tamarack National Wildlife Refuge

### Recreational Opportunities:

- » Numerous area lakes include:
  - Public beaches.
  - Watercraft rental.
  - Paddleboards
- » Outdoor activities include:
  - Hiking
  - Camping
  - Biking
  - Swimming

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:** Minnesota Chippewa Tribe

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:**

- » Shooting Star Mother's Day Pow Wow (second weekend in June)  
(Mother's Day weekend)
- » Pine Point Pow Wow (Labor Day weekend)
- » Rice Lake Pow Wow (Memorial Day weekend)
- » Nay-Tah-Waush Harvest Fest (second week in September)
- » White Earth Pow Wow





# BILLINGS

(Montana and Wyoming)

The Billings Area serves members of the Plains Tribes on reservations and in surrounding communities, providing comprehensive health care services through Service Units (hospitals and clinics, preventive health and outreach services, alcohol treatment centers, dental and eye care facilities and air and ground emergency transportation). This Area embodies the scenic open space and “Big Sky” country of Montana and Wyoming. It would be hard to find better skiing, snowboarding, snowmobiling and other winter sports, and there is just as much to do in warmer weather in this beautiful, natural environment.



## BLACKFEET COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Billings

**Site Address:** PO Box 760  
Browning, MT 59417

**Site Preceptor Information:**

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[Douglas.Mckendry@ihs.gov](mailto:Douglas.Mckendry@ihs.gov)  
(406) 338-6235

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 3 – 6 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

- » Columbia University
- » Creighton University
- » Medical University of South Carolina
- » University of North Carolina
- » Virginia Commonwealth University

**Facility Oversight:** Federal

**Type of Facility:** Hospital

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** Heart Butte Health Station with satellite dental clinic.

**Off-site Opportunities:** No

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** Yes

**Number of:** Operatories: 13      Dentists: 2      Dental Auxiliaries: 1  
Hygienists: 1      Dental Assistants: 8

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 – 6

**Dental Procedures Performed — The dental clinic provides exposure to many diagnostic and treatment challenges with opportunity for growth from the ongoing daily support of colleagues and staff.**

- » Amalgams
- » Composites
- » Simple extractions.

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties that are practiced at this facility:**

- » Pediatric dentistry.
- » Endodontics/oral surgery.



## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Browning, MT

**Population:** 1,033

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:**

- » Glacier Park International Airport — 100 miles
- » Great Falls International Airport — 120 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** Yes (availability limited)

**Internet/Cable Access Available at Free Housing?** Cable: Yes, Internet: No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:** Call preceptor.

**Local Services:** There are local diners open year round with several additional restaurants open at Glacier National Park from June through September. Browning has two local grocery stores: Glacier Foods and IGA. There are also a limited number of local shopping areas.

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Whitefish, MT	7,279	70
Kalispell, MT	15,000	75
Great Falls, MT	55,000	130
Calgary, AB	1,230,915	200

**Local Attractions:**

Blackfeet Reservation is located in one of the most pristine areas in the continental United States, with Glacier National Park located on the western border and Canada to the north. This is where the plains meet the Rocky Mountains, and the land remains very much as Lewis and Clark found it in 1804. The remote, natural surroundings are complemented by the vibrant ski town and resort at Whitefish, MT, approximately 70 miles west of Browning, and the cosmopolitan Canadian city of Calgary, which is approximately 3.5 hours to the north.

**Recreational Opportunities:**

- » Hiking
- » Fishing
- » Skiing

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:** Blackfeet

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:**

- » Native American Indian Days, Browning, MT (second weekend in July).
- » Heart Butte Indian Days (second weekend in August).

**CHIEF REDSTONE HEALTH CENTER****Site Description****IHS Area:** Billings**Address:** 550 6th Avenue North  
Wolf Point, MT 59201**Site Preceptor Information:**

Linda Markle, DMD

[Linda.Markle@ihs.gov](mailto:Linda.Markle@ihs.gov)

(406) 653-1641

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.**Length of Externship:** 2 – 4 weeks**Collaborative Agreements —****Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

- » Texas A&M College of Dentistry
- » University of Minnesota School of Dentistry
- » University of California at San Francisco School of Dentistry
- » University of Utah School of Dentistry

**Facility Oversight:** Federal**Type of Facility:** Clinic**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A**Off-site Opportunities:** School Sealant Program**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** Yes

**Number of:** Operatories: 3                      Dentists: 2  
                          Hygienists: 1                      Dental Auxiliaries: 3

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 – 6**Dental Procedures Performed:** The dental clinic provides exposure to many diagnostic and treatment challenges with opportunity for growth from the ongoing daily support of colleagues and staff.

- » Primarily Surgical and Restorative

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:** N/A



## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Wolf Point, MT

**Population:** 2,806

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:**

» Billings — 300 miles                      » Williston, ND — 100 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:** Sherman Motor Inn — Wolf Point, MT

**Local Services:**

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Yes	Limited	1

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Billings, MT	110,323	300
Williston, ND	26,426	100

**Local Attractions:**

» Fort Peck Reservoir

**Recreational Opportunities:**

» Fishing                                      » Hiking                                      » Water sports.

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:**

» Sioux    » Assiniboine

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:**

» Wadopana Wolf Point Pow Wow  
(first weekend in August)                      » Poplar Indian Days  
(first weekend in September)

## NORTHERN CHEYENNE SERVICE UNIT

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Billings

**Address:** 420 North Cheyenne Avenue  
PO Box 70  
Lame Deer, MT 59043

**Site Preceptor Information:**

David McCracken, DMD

[David.McCracken@ihs.gov](mailto:David.McCracken@ihs.gov)

(406) 477-4503



**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training with some observation.

**Length of Externship:** 4 – 6 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements —**

**Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

» University of Washington

**Facility Oversight:** Federal

**Type of Facility:** Clinic

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

**Off-site Opportunities:** During the school year, school sealant and fluoride varnish programs and working with the local Head Start Program. Visiting retirement homes for elderly patients.

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** Yes

**Number of:** Operatories: 13                      Dentists: 4  
                         Hygienists: 2                      Dental Assistants: 7

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 2 – 4

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- |  |                                  |  |
|--|----------------------------------|--|
| » Complete exam for adults and children. | » Crowns                         | » Pedodontic procedures presently referred.              |
| » Oral surgery.                          | » Dentures and partial dentures. | » Advertising for pedodontic occlusal and sports guards. |
| » Restorative                            | » Endodontic procedures.         |  |

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:** N/A

## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Lame Deer, MT

**Population:** Approximately. 8,800

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:**

» Billings, MT — 100 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:**

- » Bed and Breakfast in Colstrip, MT
- » Hardin hotels
- » Colstrip Hotel
- » Billings hotels

**Local Services — Restaurants**

Colstrip:	Hardin:
American Grill	Brother's
Chinese	McDonalds
Subway	Pizza Hut
	Subway

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Colstrip, MT	2,311	21
Hardin, MT	3,837	45
Billings, MT	109,642	110

**Local Attractions:**

» Fort Peck Reservoir

**Recreational Opportunities:**

» Colstrip Recreational Center, Colstrip, MT

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:**

- » Northern Cheyenne — direct and referral.
- » All patients from Tribes that present direct services only.

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:**

» Pow Wow — July 4, 2020

## POLSON HEALTH CENTER

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Billings

**Address:** 5 4th Avenue East  
Polson, MT 59860

**Site Preceptor Information:**

CAPT Travis Fisher

[Travis.Fisher@ihs.gov](mailto:Travis.Fisher@ihs.gov)

(406) 250-8913

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 2 – 4 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements —**

**Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

- » Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health
- » University of Kentucky
- » University of Washington

**Facility Oversight:** Tribal

**Type of Facility:** Health Center

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

**Off-site Opportunities:** No

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 7                      Dentists: 4  
Hygienists: 1                      Dental Assistants: 8

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 – 8

**Dental Procedures Performed:** The dental clinic provides exposure to many diagnostic and treatment challenges with opportunity for growth from the ongoing daily support of colleagues and staff.

- » Primarily surgical and restorative.
- » Endodontics (minimal fixed and removable).

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:** Pediatric Dentistry





## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Polson, MT

**Population:** 5,000

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:**

» Kalispell — 65 miles                      » Missoula — 75 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:**

» Kwataqnut Hotel                      » Red Lion

**Local Services:**

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
A&W	Walmart	Safeway
McDonald's		Walmart
Subway		

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Kalispell, MT	30,000	51
Missoula, MT	60,000	70

**Local Attractions:**

» Flathead Lake                      » Glacier National Park

**Recreational Opportunities:**

» Fishing                      » Hiking                      » Water sports.

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:**

» Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:**

» Arlee Pow Wow Esyapqeyni Celebration      » Standing Arrow Pow Wow  
(July 2 – 4)                      (July 21 – 23)

## ST. IGNATIUS HEALTH CENTER

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Billings

**Address:** 35401 Mission Drive  
St. Ignatius, MT 59865

**Site Preceptor Information:**

Tanner Diggs, DDS

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(406) 745-3525

**Type of Externship:**

Hands-on training with some observation.

**Length of Externship:** 2 – 4 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

» A.T. Still University of Health Sciences  
(Arizona and Missouri)

» University of Kentucky

» University of Washington

**Facility Oversight:** Tribal, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes

**Type of Facility:** Health Center

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

**Off-site Opportunities:** No

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** Yes

**Number of:** Operatories: 8                      Dentists: 2  
                    Hygienists: 1                      Dental Assistants: 4

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 – 6

**Dental Procedures Performed:** The dental clinic provides exposure to many diagnostic and treatment challenges with opportunity for growth from the ongoing daily support of colleagues and staff.

» Amalgams

» Simple extractions.

» Surgical and restorative.

» Composites

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:** Pediatric Dentist



## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** St. Ignatius, MT

**Population:** 1,000

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:**

» Kalispell — 85 miles                      » Missoula — 45 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:**

» Kwataqnut Hotel                      » Red Lion

**Local Services:**

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Old Timer	N/A	Local food market

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Missoula, MT	60,000	45
Kalispell, MT	30,000	80

**Local Attractions:**

» Flathead Lake                      » Glacier National Park

**Recreational Opportunities:**

» Fishing                      » Hiking                      » Water sports.

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:**

» Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:**

» Arlee Pow Wow Esyapqeyni Celebration (July 2 – 4)                      » Standing Arrow Pow Wow (July 21 – 23)



# GREAT PLAINS

(Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota)

The Great Plains Area provides health care services to reservations throughout the region via hospitals, health centers, health stations and satellite clinics. The Great Plains' awe-inspiring natural attractions and landmarks include Badlands National Park, the Black Hills and Mount Rushmore National Memorial. Indian health professionals practicing and living here have access to world-class parkland and wilderness famous for fishing, hunting, hiking, rock climbing, horseback riding, ice skating and skiing.



## CARL T. CURTIS HEALTH EDUCATION CENTER\*

*\*This facility is not accepting externs in 2020.*

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Great Plains

**Site Address:** 100 Indian Hills Drive  
PO Box 250  
Macy, NE 68104

**Site Preceptor Information:**  
N/A

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 1 – 4 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:** University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Dentistry

**Facility Oversight:** Tribal

**Type of Facility:** Health Center

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 4                      Dentists: 1  
Hygienists: 0                      Dental Auxiliaries: 2

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 – 6 (flexible)

### Dental Procedures Performed:

- » General dentistry for all members of the community, including pediatric to geriatric populations. Procedures include:
- Composite, glass ionomer and amalgam restorations.
  - Extractions (including surgical extractions).
  - Crowns and fixed-partial dentures.
  - Dental prophylaxis and scaling and root planing.
  - Emergency treatments as indicated.
  - Removable prostheses (complete and partial dentures).
  - Root canal therapy (first molar and anterior).

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:** N/A



## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Macy, NE

**Population:** 1,023

**Local Airport/Distance from Facility:**

- » Sioux Gateway Airport (Sioux City, IA) — 35 miles
- » Eppley Airfield (Omaha, NE) — 70 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:** None. Check lodgings in Omaha, NE or Sioux City, IA.

**Local Services:** Contact preceptor.

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Sioux City, IA	82,872	35
Omaha, NE	446,970	70

**Local Attractions:**

- » Near Sioux City
  - Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center
  - Stone State Park
  - Mid America Museum of Aviation and Transportation
  - Sergeant Floyd River Museum and Welcome Center
  - Various casinos.
- » Near Omaha
  - Henry Doorly Zoo
  - Joslyn Art Museum
  - Durham Museum
  - Local performance arts.
  - Music venues.
  - Historic places of interest.

**Recreational Opportunities:**

- » Outdoor activities (hiking, camping, etc.).

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:**

- » Primary
  - Omaha
  - Winnebago
- » Secondary
  - Members of other Tribes living in the area.

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:**

- » Omaha Pow Wow (Hedewachi Harvest Celebration in early August)
- » Winnebago Pow Wow (late July to early August)



**MCLAUGHLIN HEALTH CENTER  
(STANDING ROCK SERVICE UNIT)****Site Description****IHS Area:** Great Plains**Site Address:** 701 East 6th Street  
PO Box 879  
McLaughlin, SD 57642**Site Preceptor Information:**

Zachary Perman, DMD

[Zachary.Perman@ihs.gov](mailto:Zachary.Perman@ihs.gov)

(605) 823-2637

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training  
with some observation.**Length of Externship:** Flexible; minimum multiple weeks.**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:** N/A**Facility Oversight:** Federal**Type of Facility:** Health Center**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A**Off-site Opportunities:** Facility not equipped for oral screenings and limited treatment. Hygiene, sealants provided at school and Head Start facilities.**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** Yes**Number of:** Operatories: 5                      Dentists: 2  
Hygienists: 1                      Dental Assistants: 1**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 3 – 4 per day.**Dental Procedures Performed:** Externs perform direct restorative, simple extractions, removable prosthetics. Facility personnel perform indirect/direct restorative, simple/surgical extractions, removable and fixed prosthetics and endodontic (including molar).**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:** N/A

## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** McLaughlin, SD

**Population:** 700

**Local Airport/Distance from Facility:**

- » Bismark Regional Airport — 82 miles
- » Aberdeen Regional Airport — 130 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:**

- » Grand River Casino and Resort (Mobridge, SD)
- » Prairie Knights Casino (Ft. Yates, ND)
- » Wrangler Inn (Mobridge, SD)

**Local Services:**

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Great Plains Family Restaurant		Payless Foods (Mobridge, SD)
Windjammer Bar and Grill		Merkel's Foods (Mobridge, SD)
Taco Johns		
Burger King		
Subway		

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Mobridge, SD	3,520	28
Fort Yates, ND	199	30

**Local Attractions:**

- Indian Creek State Park
- Sacagawea Monument
- Lake Oahe
- Sitting Bull's Grave

**Recreational Opportunities:**

- » Numerous depending on time of year.

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:** Standing Rock Tribe

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** N/A



## QUENTIN N. BURDICK MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Great Plains

**Site Address:** 1300 Hospital Loop  
Belcourt, ND 58316

**Site Preceptor Information:**

Julius Theophilus, DDS

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(701) 477-8439, Ext. 8128

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 2 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:** University of Minnesota School of Dentistry

**Facility Oversight:** Federal

**Type of Facility:** Hospital

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 10                      Dentists: 4  
                    Hygienists: 2                      Dental Auxiliaries: 6

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- |                     |                 |                         |
|---------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| » Restorative       | » Oral surgery. | » Removable prosthesis. |
| » Crown and bridge. | » Endodontics   | » Pediatric dentistry.  |

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties that are practiced at this facility:**

- » Oral surgery — includes operating room experience with anesthesiologist or certified nurse anesthetist.



## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Belcourt, ND

**Population:** 2,078

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:**

Minot International Airport — 112 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:**

Sky Dancer Casino and Resort



**Local Services:**

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
North 40	Alco	One-Stop
Red Zone Bar and Grill	Golden Rule	Levers
Wild Rose Café	Walmart	Ladots

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Minot, ND	48,743	112
Winnipeg, MB	727,500	138

**Local Attractions:**

» Sky Dancer Casino and Resort

» Turtle Mountains

» Peace Gardens

**Recreational Opportunities:**

» Winter sports.

» Hiking

» Horseback riding.

» Hunting

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:** Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa.

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** The Little Shell Pow Wow (August).

## ROSEBUD COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE FACILITY

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Great Plains

**Site Address:** 400 Soldier Creek Road  
PO Box 400  
Rosebud, SD 57570

**Site Preceptor Information:**

Michael Lee Cottrell, DDS

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(605) 747-0464

(816) 810-1970



**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 2 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:** University of Minnesota School of Dentistry

**Facility Oversight:** Federal

**Type of Facility:** Hospital

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 10                      Dentists: 4  
                    Hygienists: 2                      Dental Auxiliaries: 6

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- » Restorative
- » Oral surgery.
- » Removable prosthesis.
- » Crown and bridge.
- » Endodontics
- » Pediatric dentistry.

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties that are practiced at this facility:**

- » Oral surgery — includes operating room experience with anesthesiologist or certified nurse anesthetist.

**City/Town:** Rosebud, SD

**Population:** 400+ user population of approx. 11,700 Tribal.

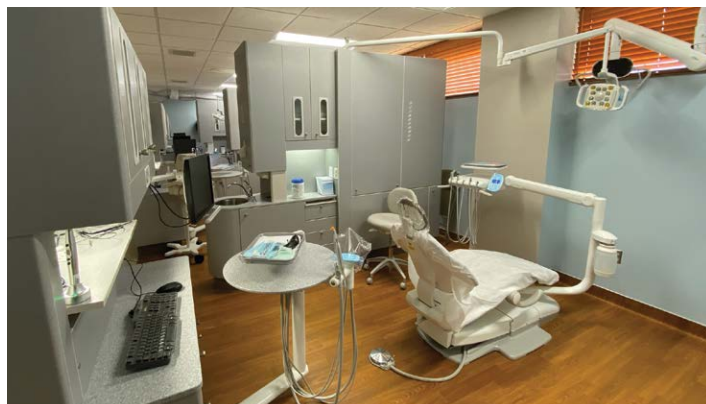
**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:**

Pierre, SD — 100 miles

Rapid City, SD — 180 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** Must arrange with the housing department.



#### Local Services:

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
All Stop		Various Restaurants (Valentine, NE)
Buches (Mission, SD)		Casino Restaurant
Hendersons IGA (Valentine, NE)		

#### Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Watertown, SD	22,172	60
Fargo, ND	120,762	95
Brooking, SD	23,895	105
Sioux Falls, SD	174,360	160
Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN	3,280,000	225

#### Local Attractions:

» Rosebud Casino

#### Recreational Opportunities:

» Rafting on the Niobrara River in Valentine

» Black Hills in Rapid City

» Badlands National Park

### Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:** Sicangu Lakota (Rosebud Sioux Tribe)

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** Rosebud Pow Wow every August.



## WOODROW WILSON KEEBLE MEMORIAL HEALTH CARE CENTER\*\*

*\*\*This facility is not accepting externs in 2020.*

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Great Plains

**Site Address:** 100 Lake Traverse Drive  
Sisseton, SD 57262

#### Site Preceptor Information:

Andrew K. Townsend, DDS  
[Andrew.Townsend@ihs.gov](mailto:Andrew.Townsend@ihs.gov)  
(605) 742-3679

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 2 – 8 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry: (WWKMHCC is looking to add more dental schools in the future.)**

- » University of Iowa College of Dentistry
- » University of Kentucky College of Dentistry
- » West Virginia University School of Dentistry

**Facility Oversight:** Federal

**Type of Facility:** Dental Clinic within a Health Care Center

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

#### Off-site Opportunities:

- » Pediatric dental treatment at local hospital operating room.
- » Screening, fluoride and sealant programs at local Head Start center, area schools and local daycare centers.

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** Yes, if externship is scheduled when these programs are in operation. The OR experience will be observation only.

**Number of:** Operatories: 14                      Dentists: 5  
                         Hygienists: 2                      Dental Auxiliaries: 10

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 6 – 10-plus depending on speed and skill of extern and difficulty of procedure.

#### Dental Procedures Performed:

- » Exams
- » Screenings
- » X-rays/diagnosis.
- » Treatment planning.
- » Direct restorations.
- » Extractions (single and multiple) simple and surgical.
- » Endodontic debridement and completion.
- » Removable prost adjustments.
- » Limited fixed and removable prost if time allows.
- » Limited perio treatments and pediatric care of older children with parental consent.

#### Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:

- » Pediatric dentistry.

### Local Area Information



**City/Town:** Sisseton, SD

**Population:** 2,429

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:** Hector International Airport (Fargo, ND) — 95 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:**

- » Super 8 (Sisseton, SD)
- » I-29 Motel (Sisseton, SD)
- » Dakota Magic Casino and Hotel (Hankinton, ND)
- » Dakota Sioux Casino and Hotel (Watertown, SD)
- » Days Inn (Watertown, SD)
- » And others nearby, as well as cabin rentals at Fort Sisseton and RV camps near Sisseton.

**Local Services:**

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Pizza Hut	Shopko	Teal's Market
Subway	Dollar General	Farmers' Market
Taco John's	Thrift stores	
Dairy Queen	Local specialty shops	
Billy's Cafe		
Rosalie's Restaurant, Bakery and Lounge		
Dakota Crossing Grocery Deli		
Fast food chains		

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Watertown, SD	22,172	60
Fargo, ND	120,762	95
Brooking, SD	23,895	105
Sioux Falls, SD	174,360	160
Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN	3,280,000	225

**Local Attractions:**

- » Fort Sisseton
- » Local museums and historic areas.
- » Hjerkomst Center (Viking museum) and The Children's Museum at Yunker Farm (Fargo, ND)
- » Numerous lakes.
- » Badlands National Park
- » Lake Itasca State Park
- » Pow wows and Tribal events.
- » Local carnivals and art festivals (summer).
- » Grasslands National Park
- » Lake Oahu

**Recreational Opportunities:**

- » Hiking
- » Biking
- » Camping
- » Hunting
- » Fishing
- » Boating
- » Water skiing.
- » Nature observation and bird-watching.
- » Photography
- » Snowmobiling
- » Cross-country skiing.

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:** Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** Sisseton-Wahpeton Pow Wow (week of July 4)



# Nashville

(Eastern United States)

Although the Nashville Area is the largest of the IHS Areas geographically, it does not service the largest population of Native people. Most of the beneficiaries receive health care from Tribally run clinics. Diverse Tribes are represented within this broad sweep of territory from the Canadian border in Maine to the tip of Florida and westward to Texas. Health professionals in their off-hours enjoy boating and fishing on the Great Lakes, skiing in New England, camping and rock climbing in the Great Smoky Mountains or off-road exploring in Louisiana.



- » Oconaluftee Indian Village      » Museum of the Cherokee Indian      » Unto These Hills Annual Cherokee Historical Drama



**SENECA NATION HEALTH SYSTEM —  
CATTARAUGUS INDIAN  
RESERVATION HEALTH CENTER**

**Site Description**

**IHS Area:** Nashville

**Address:** 36 Thomas Indian School Drive  
Irving, NY 14081

**Site Preceptor Information:**

Joseph Salamon, DDS  
[JSalamon@senecahealth.org](mailto:JSalamon@senecahealth.org)  
(716) 532-0165

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 2 – 4 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

- » Case Western Reserve University School of Dental Medicine
- » Harvard School of Dental Medicine
- » University of Louisville School of Dentistry
- » State University of New York at Buffalo, School of Dental Medicine

**Facility Oversight:** Tribal

**Type of Facility:** Health Center

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** Cattaraugus Indian Reservation Health Center Dental Clinic

**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** Yes (Early Childhood Learning Center)

**Number of:** Operatories: 8                      Dentists: 3  
                    Hygienists: 3                      Dental Auxiliaries: 4

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 – 6

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- » Operative dentistry.
- » Routine and surgical extractions.
- » Preventive dentistry.
- » Fixed and removable prosthodontics.
- » Emergency triage and treatment.
- » Patient education.
- » Endodontics
- » Soft-tissue laser procedures.

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:**

- » Pediatric dentistry.
- » Orthodontics
- » Oral and maxillofacial surgery.



## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Irving, NY

**Population:** 3,167

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:** Buffalo Niagara International Airport — 38 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:** Holiday Inn Express, Hamburg, NY

### Local Services:

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Olympia Restaurant	True Value	Wegmans
Aunt Millie's Family Restaurant and Bakery	Family Dollar	Save-a-Lot Grocery
Uncle Joe's Diner		Rite-Aid Pharmacy
The Wicked Glen		
Fast-food, pizza, Chinese		

### Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Toronto, Canada	2,809,000	136
Buffalo, NY	256,902	29
Erie, PA	98,593	63

### Local Attractions:

- » Cattaraugus Community Center
- » Larkinville
- » Seneca Buffalo Creek
- » Canalside
- » Riverworks
- » Seneca Niagara Casino
- » Evangola State Park
- » Seneca Allegany Resort & Casino
- » Sunset Bay Beach Club
- » Holiday Valley Ski Resort

### Recreational Opportunities:

- » Hiking
- » Biking
- » Fishing
- » Beach

## Tribal Information

### Tribes This Facility Serves:

- » Seneca Indians
- » All other local enrolled Native populations.

### Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:

- » Marvin Curry Pow Wow (end of July)
- » Fort Apache Cup Lacrosse Tournament
- » Snow Snake Tournaments (Winter)

## SENECA NATION HEALTH SYSTEM — LIONEL R. JOHN HEALTH CENTER

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Nashville

**Site Address:** 987 RC Hoag Drive  
Salamanca, NY 14779

**Site Preceptor Information:**

Joseph Salamon, DDS  
[JSalamon@senecahealth.org](mailto:JSalamon@senecahealth.org)  
(716) 532-0165

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 2 – 4 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

- » Case Western Reserve University School of Dental Medicine
- » Harvard School of Dental Medicine
- » University of Louisville School of Dentistry
- » University at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine

**Facility Oversight:** Tribal

**Type of Facility:** Health Center

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** Cattaraugus Indian Reservation Health Center Dental Clinic

**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 6                      Dentists: 3  
Hygienists: 2                      Dental Auxiliaries: 3

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 – 6

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- » Operative dentistry.
- » Routine and surgical extractions.
- » Preventive dentistry.
- » Fixed and removable prosthodontics.
- » Emergency triage and treatment.
- » Patient education.
- » Endodontics
- » Soft-tissue laser procedures.

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:**

- » Pediatric dentistry.



## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Salamanca, NY

**Population:** 5,552

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:** Buffalo Niagara International Airport — 65 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:** Holiday Inn

### Local Services:

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET	OTHER
Wildwood Grill & Saloon	Hampshire Mills	Parkview Supermarket	Smoke/Gift Shops
Myers Steakhouse & Inn	Family Dollar	Save-a-Lot Grocery	Seneca Museum/Library
Fast-food, pizza, Chinese		Rite-Aid Pharmacy	Salamanca Library
			Bank, churches, post office

### Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Olean, NY	13,794	24
Jamestown, NY	29,775	33
Buffalo, NY	256,902	65
Erie, PA	98,593	75

### Local Attractions:

- » Allegany Community Center
- » Allegany State Park
- » Holiday Valley Ski Resort
- » Seneca Allegany Casino

### Recreational Opportunities:

- » Hiking
- » Fishing
- » Biking

## Tribal Information

### Tribes This Facility Serves:

- » Seneca Indians
- » All other local enrolled Native populations.

### Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:

- » Marvin Curry Pow Wow (end of July)
- » Fort Apache Cup Lacrosse Tournament (early August)
- » Snow Snake Tournaments (Winter)

## ST. REGIS MOHAWK HEALTH SERVICES

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Nashville

**Site Address:** 404 State Route 37  
Hogansburg, NY 13655

**Site Preceptor Information:**

Joseph Park, DDS

[JPark@regis.nashville.ihs.gov](mailto:JPark@regis.nashville.ihs.gov)

(518) 358-3141

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 2 – 4 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

- » A.T. Still University of Health Services
- » Meharry Medical College
- » University of Louisville
- » Columbia University
- » University of Kentucky

**Facility Oversight:** Tribal

**Type of Facility:** Health Center

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

**Off-site Opportunities:** St. Regis Mohawk Elementary School and local Head Start program.

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 6                      Dentists: 2  
Hygienists: 2                      Dental Auxiliaries: 4

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 – 6

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- » Exams
- » Emergencies
- » Extractions
- » Restorations
- » Pediatric
- » Fixed and removable prosthodontics.

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties that are practiced at this facility:** N/A





## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Massena, NY

**Population:** 12,883

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:** Massena International Airport — 8 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Taxi

**Free Housing:** No

### Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:

- » Comfort Inn (Hogansburg)
- » Mohawk Casino and Resort

### Local Services:

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Akwesasne Mohawk Casino	St. Lawrence Mall	Walmart

### Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Ottawa, ON	934,243	70
Lake Placid, NY	2,521	74
Montreal, QE	4,099,000	80
Alexandria Bay, NY	1,063	85
Burlington, VT	42,260	90

### Local Attractions:

- » Lake George Six Flags Amusement Park
- » Adirondack Mountains
- » Park Safari
- » St. Lawrence Seaway Locks

### Recreational Opportunities:

- » Hiking
- » Bicycling
- » Fishing
- » Bird-watching

## Tribal Information

### Tribes This Facility Serves:

- » Mohawk Tribe
- » Oneida Tribe
- » Onondaga Tribe
- » Six Nations

### Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:

- » Akwesasne Pow Wow (last week in August)





# Navajo

(Colorado, Northeastern Arizona,  
Northwestern New Mexico and Southern Utah)

The Navajo Area oversees the provision of care to the Navajo Nation, the largest Indian Tribe in the United States, through inpatient, outpatient, contract and community health programs. These programs are centered around the Navajo Area's hospitals, health centers, health stations, school clinics and Navajo Tribal health programs. The geography of this spectacular region is mostly high desert;

Valley, Canyon De Chelly and the Grand Canyon. Clinicians serving the Navajo don't have to travel far to enjoy all the outdoor pursuits this scenic area has to offer, including camping, hiking, hunting, skiing and kayaking.

## FOUR CORNERS REGIONAL HEALTH CENTER\*

*\*This facility is not accepting externs in 2020.*

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Navajo

**Site Address:** US Hwy 160  
and Navajo Route 35  
HCR 6100, Box 30  
Teec Nos Pos, AZ 86514

### Site Preceptor Information:

CDR John Linhart  
[John.Linhart@ihs.gov](mailto:John.Linhart@ihs.gov)  
(928) 656-5208



**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 1 week

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:** Rutgers University School of Dental Medicine (Rutgers students attend with university professors)

**Facility Oversight:** Federal

**Type of Facility:** Health Center

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 24                      Dentists: 5  
                    Hygienists: 1                      Dental Auxiliaries: 11

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 3

### Dental Procedures Performed:

- |            |               |                       |
|------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| » Exams    | » Fillings    | » Root canal therapy. |
| » Prophies | » Extractions | » Pedodontics         |

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:** N/A

## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Cortez, CO

**Population:** 9,007

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:** Albuquerque International Sunport — 279 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:** Holiday Inn Express

### Local Services:

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Nero's Italian Restaurant	Walmart	City Market
Main Street Brewery		Safeway
Shiloh Steakhouse		Walmart

### Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Farmington, NM	45,854	80
Durango, CO	17,216	115

### Local Attractions:

- » Mesa Verde National Park
- » Monument Valley
- » Grand Canyon National Park
- » Crow Canyon Archaeological Center
- » Cortez Cultural Center

### Recreational Opportunities:

- » Biking
- » Hiking
- » Skiing
- » Fishing
- » Sightseeing

## Tribal Information

### Tribes This Facility Serves:

- » Navajo
- » Southern Ute

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** N/A

## TUBA CITY REGIONAL HEALTH CARE CORPORATION

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Navajo

**Site Address:** 167 North Main Street  
Tuba City, AZ 86004

#### Site Preceptor Information:

Sarah Wheeler, DDS

[Sarah.Wheeler@tchealth.org](mailto:Sarah.Wheeler@tchealth.org)

(928) 283-2672

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 2 weeks



#### Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:

- » Harvard University School of Dental Medicine
- » University of Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health
- » University of Michigan School of Dentistry
- » Missouri School of Dentistry and Oral Health
- » University of Kentucky, The College of Dentistry

**Facility Oversight:** Federal and Tribal

**Type of Facility:** Hospital

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** Mobile dental van.

**Off-site Opportunities:** Cameron Dental Clinic

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 25      Dentists: 16  
Hygienists: 2      Dental Auxiliaries: 35

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 8

#### Dental Procedures Performed:

- » Dental exams.
- » Emergency endodontic treatments.
- » Pediatric dentistry.
- » Amalgam and composite restorations.
- » Intraoral incision and drainage.
- » Dental treatment with general anesthesia.
- » Routine and surgical extractions.
- » Fixed and removable prosthodontics.

#### Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:

- » Tuba City Regional Health Care Corp. Dental Clinic is the regional referral center for oral surgery, pediatric dentistry and endodontics in the Western Navajo Region. The clinic currently has the following specialists on staff:
  - Two oral surgeons.
  - Two endodontists.
  - Two pediatric dentists.
  - One prosthodontist.



## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Tuba City, AZ

**Population:** 8,611

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:** Flagstaff Pulliam Airport — 83 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

### Recommended Hotels in the Local Area:

- » Moenkopi Legacy Inn & Suites: (928) 283-4500
- » Quality Inn Navajo Nation: (928) 283-4545

### Local Services:

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Denny's	Flea market	Bashas'
Hogan Family Restaurant	Tuba City Trading Post	
Pizza Edge		

### Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Page, AZ	7,599	73
Flagstaff, AZ	71,459	77
Sedona, AZ	10,397	106
Phoenix, AZ	1,615,000	220

### Local Attractions:

- » Coal Mine Canyon
- » Dinosaur Tracks
- » Explore Navajo Interactive Museum
- » Grand Canyon
- » Antelope Canyon
- » Lake Powell
- » Coyote Buttes
- » Bryce Canyon
- » Zion National Park
- » Monument Valley
- » Canyonlands National Park
- » Arches National Park

### Recreational Opportunities:

- » Hiking
- » Skiing and snowboarding at Arizona Snowbowl.

## Tribal Information

### Tribes This Facility Serves:

- » Navajo
- » Hopi

### Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:

- » Western Navajo Nation Fair (October)
- » Native American Day (September)
- » Local pow wows.



# Oklahoma City

(Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas)

Oklahoma City Area Service Units provide care to more than 40 Tribes and Tribal Organizations, the largest service population in the United States, with the majority of patients residing in urban settings. Hospitals, health centers and clinics provide inpatient and outpatient care. Many of the facilities offer state-of-the-art equipment. This diverse Area offers good school systems, cultural facilities and a vast array of outdoor recreational opportunities for hunting and fishing, boating and water sports, hiking, golf and horseback riding.

**CLAREMORE INDIAN HOSPITAL****Site Description****IHS Area:** Oklahoma City**Site Address:** 101 S Moore Avenue  
Claremore, OK 74017**Site Preceptor Information:**

Kip Martin

[Kippy.Martin@ihs.gov](mailto:Kippy.Martin@ihs.gov)

(918) 342-6400

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.**Length of Externship:** 2 – 6 weeks**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

- » Baylor University
- » Creighton University
- » Pacific University
- » University of Louisville
- » University of Oklahoma
- » University of Tennessee
- » University of Texas School of Dentistry at Houston
- » Western University

**Facility Oversight:** Federal**Type of Facility:** Hospital**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A**Off-site Opportunities:**

- » Head Start
- » School sealant program.
- » Health fairs.

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** Yes

**Number of:** Operatories: 14      Dentists: 6  
                          Hygienists: 2      Dental Auxiliaries: 13

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 2 – 10**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- » Extractions
- » Endodontics
- » Nitrous oxide.
- » Operative
- » Biopsies
- » Operating room assisting.

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties that are practiced at this facility:**

- » Pediatrics
- » Oral surgery.

## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Claremore, OK

**Population:** 19,069

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:**

Tulsa International Airport — 30 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:**

- » Hard Rock Hotel and Casino (Catoosa)
- » Candlewood Suites (Owasso)
- » Hampton Inn and Suites (Owasso)
- » Comfort Inn (Claremore)
- » Towneplace Suites (Owasso)
- » Holiday Inn Express (Owasso)
- » Microtel Inn and Suites (Claremore)



**Local Services:** Visit [visitclaremore.org](http://visitclaremore.org) for information on local services.

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Owasso, OK	35,784	20
Tulsa, OK	403,090	30

**Local Attractions:**

- » Will Rogers Memorial Museum
- » Claremore Mountain Bike Trails
- » Tulsa area arts.
- » Claremore Lake
- » Claremore Super Recreation and Skate Park

**Recreational Opportunities:**

- » Mountain Biking
- » Hiking
- » Skateboarding
- » Sightseeing

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:**

- » Miami
- » Pawnee
- » Osage
- » Ottawa
- » Cherokee
- » Ponca
- » Eastern Shawnee
- » Keetowah
- » Members of any other federally recognized Tribes possessing a CDIB card or appropriate method of Tribal identification.
- » Modoc
- » Delaware
- » Muscogee Creek
- » Wyandotte
- » Choctaw
- » Chickasaw
- » Seneca Cayuga
- » Caddo
- » Quapaw
- » Peoria

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:**

- » Quapaw Nation Pow Wow (Fourth of July nearest weekend)
- » Cherokee National Holiday (Labor Day weekend)
- » Multiple other Tribal celebrations and pow wows throughout the year.

**CLINTON INDIAN DENTAL CLINIC\****\*This facility is not accepting externs in 2020.***Site Description****IHS Area:** Oklahoma City**Site Address:** 10321 N 2272 Road  
Clinton, OK 73601**Site Preceptor Information:**

Matthew Fell, DDS

[Matthew.Fell@ihs.gov](mailto:Matthew.Fell@ihs.gov)

(910) 879-8274

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.**Length of Externship:** 1 – 4 weeks**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

» University of Baylor College of Dentistry      » University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry

**Oversight:** Federal**Type of Facility:** Clinic**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No**Number of:** Operatories: 10      Dentists: 4  
Hygienists: 2      Dental Auxiliaries: 10**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 3 – 4**Dental Procedures Performed:**

» Simple/complex restorative procedures.	» Extractions (simple and complex).	» Crown preps.
» Hygiene (prophy, scale and root plane).	» Comprehensive and limited exams.	» Endodontic access (pulpal debridement).

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:**

» Endodontics





## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Clinton, OK

**Population:** 9,393

**Local Airport/Distance from Facility:** Will Rogers World Airport (Oklahoma City) — 82.3 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car or taxi.

**Free Housing:** No

### Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:

- » Hampton Inn
- » Ramada Inn
- » Days Inn
- » Holiday Inn Express
- » Econo Lodge Inn & Suites

### Local Services:

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
White Dog Hill	Stage	Homeland
Wong's	K-Mart	K-Mart
Pizza Hut	Hemingway & Co.	United Grocery
Mazzios	It's All About Moi (Weatherford)	Walmart (Weatherford)
Adamo's Route 66 Italian Villa	The Kloset (Weatherford)	
Pedro's Mexican Food	Nabor's Shoe (Weatherford)	
Sonic	Walmart (Weatherford)	
McDonald's		
Braum's		
Dairy Queen		

### Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Weatherford, OK	11,978	14
Elk City, OK	11,997	30
Oklahoma City, OK	638,367	85

### Local Attractions/Recreational Opportunities:

- » Riverside Golf Course
- » Lucky Star Casino
- » Water-Zoo Indoor Water Park
- » Acme Brick Park
- » Municipal swimming pool.
- » Southwestern Lanes (Weatherford)

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:** Any federally recognized Tribe or Alaska Native.

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** Pow wows.

## HASKELL INDIAN HEALTH CENTER

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Oklahoma City

**Site Address:** 2415 Massachusetts Street  
Oklahoma City, KS 66046

**Site Preceptor Information:**

Jake Choi

[Jake.Choi@ihs.gov](mailto:Jake.Choi@ihs.gov)

(785) 832-4833

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training  
with some observation.

**Length of Externship:** 2 weeks.

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:** 10 schools.

**Facility Oversight:** Federal

**Type of Facility:** Health Center

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 6                      Dentists: 2  
                    Hygienists: 1                      Dental Assistants: 4

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 – 6

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

» Fillings	» Crowns	» Scaling
» Extractions	» Root canals.	» Root planing.

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:** N/A



## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Lawrence, KS

**Population:** Approximately 100,000

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:** Kansas City International Airport — 52 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:**

- » Best Western
- » Double Tree
- » Country Inn
- » Hampton Inn

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Kansas City, MS	500,000	40

**Local Services:**

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Biggs BBQ		Aldi
First Watch		Checkers Foods
Five Guys		Dillons Food Store
Hawaiian Bros.		Hy-vee
King Buffet		Natural Grocers
Mi Ranchito		
Oriental Bistro and Grill		

**Local Attractions:**

- » Haskell Cultural Center and Museum
- » Prairie Park Nature Center
- » Spenser Museum of Art

**Recreational Opportunities:**

- » Lawrence Parks and Recreation

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:** All federally recognized Tribes.

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** N/A

## LAWTON INDIAN HOSPITAL

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Oklahoma City

**Site Address:** 1515 NE Lawrie Tatum Road  
Lawton, OK 73507

**Site Preceptor Information:**

Christopher Foster, DDS

[Christopher.Foster@ihs.gov](mailto:Christopher.Foster@ihs.gov)

(580) 354-5182

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 2 – 6 weeks



**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs**

**to practice dentistry:** Additional agreements are pending and available in the near future — contact your preceptor to confirm your school's participation.

- |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| » A.T. Still University, Missouri School of Dentistry & Oral Health | College of Dental Medicine              | » Texas A&M                                     |
| » James B. Edwards, Medical University South Carolina               | » Ohio University                       | » University of Louisville, School of Dentistry |
| » Midwestern University,  | » Roseman University of Health Sciences |   |
|   | » SUNY — State University of New York   |   |

**Facility Oversight:** Federal

**Type of Facility:** Clinic/Hospital

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** Anadarko Indian Health Center, Anadarko, OK

**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 15      Dentists: 4 General, 1 Pedodontic, 1 Oral and Maxillofacial Surgical  
Hygienists: 3      Dental Auxiliaries: 13

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 – 6

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- |   |                                     |   |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| » Simple/complex restorative procedures.  | » Extractions (simple and complex). | » Crown preps.                            |
| » Hygiene (prophy, scale and root plane). | » Comprehensive and limited exams.  | » Endodontic access (pulpal debridement). |

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:**

- |               |                                   |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| » Pedodontics | » Oral and maxillofacial surgery. |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|

Local Area Information

City/Town: Lawton, OK

Population: 94,653

Local Airport and Distance from Facility:

- » Lawton-Fort Sill Regional Airport — 7.5 miles
- » Will Rogers World Airport (Oklahoma City) — 81 miles

Transportation Available from Airport: Rental car or taxi.

Free Housing: No

Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates: Multiple

Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Oklahoma City, OK	638,387	81
Wichita Falls, TX	104,724	54
Altus, OK	19,163	55

Local Attractions:

- » Movie theaters.
- » Casinos
- » Bowling
- » Shopping
- » Museums
- » Aquarium
- » Waterparks
- » Fort Sill Military Reservation.

Recreational Opportunities:

- » Golf
- » Hiking
- » Fishing
- » Boating
- » Swimming

Tribal Information

Tribes This Facility Serves: Any federally recognized Tribe or Alaska Native with Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB).

Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:

- » Pow wows.
- » Comanche Nation Fair (late September)
- » Arts for All festival (May)
- » International Festival (late September)



**PAWNEE INDIAN HEALTH CENTER****Site Description****IHS Area:** Oklahoma City**Site Address:** 1201 Heritage Circle  
Pawnee, OK 74058**Site Preceptor Information:**

Anthony Likes

[Anthony.Likes@ihs.gov](mailto:Anthony.Likes@ihs.gov)

(918) 762-6562

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training  
with some observation.**Length of Externship:** As needed.**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:** Additional agreements are pending and available in the near future — contact your preceptor to confirm your school's participation.

- » Baylor University
- » University of Oklahoma
- » Roseman University
- » University of the Pacific

**Facility Oversight:** Federal**Type of Facility:** Clinic**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 12      Dentists: 3      Dental Assistants: 7  
                  Hygienists: 2      Dental Auxiliaries: 2

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** As needed.**Dental Procedures Performed:** Yes**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:**

- » Oral surgery.
- » Crown and bridge.
- » Endodontics
- » Operative



Local Area Information

City/Town: Pawnee, OK

Population: Approximately 2,500

Local Airport and Distance from Facility: Tulsa International Airport — 50 miles

Transportation Available from Airport: Taxi

Free Housing: No

Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:

» Hampton Inn Stillwater

Local Services:

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Click's		Aldi
Subway		Walmart

Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Stillwater, OK	50,000	28

Local Attractions:

» Stillwater

» Tulsa

Recreational Opportunities:

» Stillwater

» Oklahoma State University (OSU)

» Tulsa

Tribal Information

Tribes This Facility Serves: All federally recognized Tribes.

Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable: N/A

**WEWOKA INDIAN HEALTH CENTER****Site Description****IHS Area:** Oklahoma City**Site Address:** 36640 Highway 270 and  
Barking Water Road  
PO Box 1475  
Wewoka, OK 74884**Site Preceptor Information:**

Andy Wilson, DDS

[Andy.Wilson@ihs.gov](mailto:Andy.Wilson@ihs.gov)

(405) 257-7322

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.**Length of Externship:** 2 – 6 weeks**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

- |  |                                |                                      |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| » A.T. Still University                | and Oral Health                | » Oregon Health & Science University |
| » Medical University of South Carolina | » Nova Southeastern University | » Roseman University                 |
| » Midwestern University                | College of Dental Medicine     | » University of Oklahoma             |
| » Missouri School of Dentistry         |                                | » University of Louisville           |

**Facility Oversight:** Federal**Type of Facility:** Health Center**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 8                      Dentists: 5  
                          Hygienists: 1.5              Dental Auxiliaries: 7

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 – 8**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- |               |              |                        |
|---------------|--------------|------------------------|
| » Exams       | » Amalgams   | » Root canals.         |
| » Extractions | » Composites | » Pediatric dentistry. |

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:** Pediatric dentistry.

## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Wewoka, OK

**Population:** 3,395

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:** Will Rogers World Airport, Oklahoma City — 73 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

### Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:

- » Best Western Plus Wewoka Inn & Suites
- » Best Western Seminole Inn & Suites

### Local Services:

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Rudy Alan's Steakhouse	Family Dollar	Moore's IGA
MJ'S Grill		
Wewoka Pizza Place		
El Cazadore Mexican Restaurant		

### Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Seminole, OK	7,424	12
Ada, OK	17,371	39
Shawnee, OK	31,465	32
Oklahoma City, OK	638,367	68
Tulsa, OK	403,090	85

### Local Attractions:

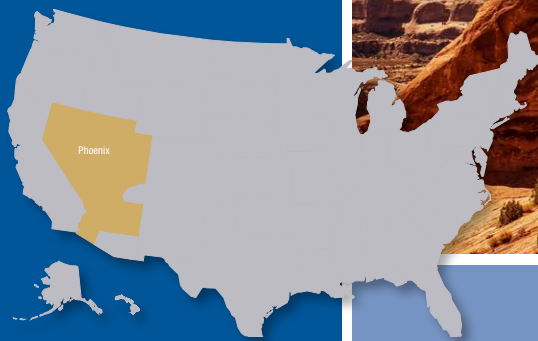
- » Seminole Nation Museum, Wewoka
- » Firelake Grand Casino, Shawnee

**Recreational Opportunities:** Wewoka Lake

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:** Primarily Seminole and Muscogee Creek, but includes all federally recognized Tribes.

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** N/A



# Phoenix

(Arizona, Nevada and Utah)

The Phoenix Area's Service Units include IHS hospitals, clinics, health centers and health stations. Medical center facilities provide multiservice and specialty care to patients, as well as conduct research under the auspices of the National Institutes of Health. This Area's terrain varies from desert and mesa to alpine meadows and rugged national parkland. Indian health clinicians working here have access to the glories of the Colorado River, Grand Canyon and Salt River Canyon, not to mention the bright lights of Las Vegas and Reno, NV. Outdoor activities run the gamut from white-water rafting and fishing to camping, backpacking and top-notch skiing.



## PEACH SPRINGS INDIAN HEALTH CENTER

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Phoenix

**Site Address:** 943 Hualapai Way  
PO Box 190  
Peach Springs, AZ 86434

**Site Preceptor Information:**

David L. Hanson, DDS  
[David.Hanson@ihs.gov](mailto:David.Hanson@ihs.gov)  
(928) 769-2903

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training  
with some observation.

**Length of Externship:** 4 months.

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:** N/A

**Facility Oversight:** Federal

**Type of Facility:** Health Center

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 4                      Dentists: 2  
                    Hygienists: 1                      Dental Assistants: 2

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 3 – 4

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- » Extractions
- » Restorative (composite and amalgam fillings)
- » Endodontic

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:**

- » General Medicine



Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Peach Springs, AZ

**Population:** 3,500

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:** Las Vegas — 140 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Local Services:**

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Diamond Creek Restaurant		Walapai Market

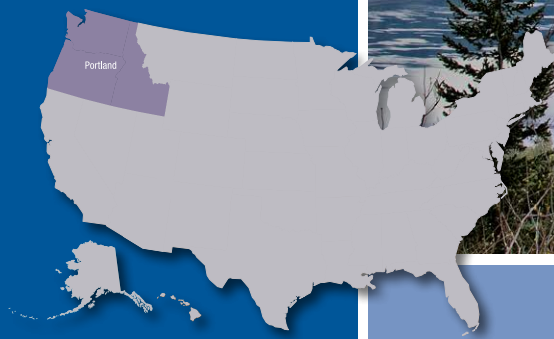
**Local Attractions:** Grand Canyon West

**Recreational Opportunities:** Hualapai River Runners

Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:** Hualapai and Havasupai

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** Many Native festival days and dates.



# Portland

(Idaho, Oregon and Washington)

The Portland Area provides comprehensive health care to 43 Tribes through IHS, Tribal and Urban Indian Program facilities. Local practitioners enjoy a great deal of autonomy in their practices, whether in the clinic, lab or pharmacy. From rugged seacoasts to snow-capped mountains, the region is famous for its abundant recreational opportunities; most Indian reservations are located among these prime spots. Indian health professionals can enjoy their free time camping, hiking and hunting in unspoiled forests, skiing some of the best slopes in the country or just relaxing beside a pristine mountain lake or coastal shore.

## KAREN I. FRYBERG TULALIP HEALTH CLINIC

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Portland

**Site Address:** 7520 36th Avenue NW  
Tulalip, WA 98271

**Site Preceptor Information:**

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[ckinslow@tulaliptribes-nsn.gov](mailto:ckinslow@tulaliptribes-nsn.gov)  
(360) 716-5803

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 2 weeks or 4 weeks.

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

- » Roseman University of Health Sciences
- » University of Kentucky
- » University of Pennsylvania
- » University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio
- » University of Texas School of Dentistry at Houston

**Facility Oversight:** Tribal

**Type of Facility:** Clinic

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 11      Dentists: 4      Dental Assistants: 8  
Hygienists: 2      Dental Auxiliaries: 6      Orthodontists: 1

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- » Routine restorative (fillings, crowns, exams).
- » Root canals.
- » Oral surgery.
- » Removable prosthodontics.
- » Pediatric dentistry.

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:**

- » Orthodontics
- » Pediatrics



## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Marysville, WA

**Population:** 67,262

### Local Airport and Distance from Facility:

- » Seattle-Tacoma International Airport — 50 miles
- » Bellingham International Airport — 60 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car (required).

**Free Housing:** No

### Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:

- » Holiday Inn Express (Marysville)
- » Holiday Inn (Everett)
- » Extended Stay America (Mukilteo)

### Local Services:

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Diamond Knot Craft Brewing	Seattle Premium Outlets	Costco
Terracotta Red	Flea market	Walmart
El Rey Mexican Restaurant	Pike Place Market	Haggen's
Brooklyn Brothers' Pizzeria		

### Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Everett, WA	109,043	10
Seattle, WA	704,352	40
Bellingham, WA	87,574	55
Vancouver, BC	647,540	108
Portland, OR	639,863	213

### Local Attractions:

- » Pike Place Market
- » Seattle Mariners (MLB)
- » Bainbridge Island
- » Seattle Seahawks (NFL)
- » Seattle Sounders (MLS)
- » San Juan Islands

### Recreational Opportunities:

- » Hiking
- » Sailing
- » Scuba diving.
- » Biking
- » Swimming
- » Kayaking
- » Boating
- » Running
- » Paddleboarding

## Tribal Information

### Tribes This Facility Serves:

- » Primary
  - Tulalip Tribal members.
- » Secondary
  - Alaska Natives
  - Members of other federally recognized Tribes living on the Tulalip Reservation or living in Snohomish County.

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** N/A



**LUMMI TRIBAL HEALTH CENTER\****\*This facility is not accepting externs in 2020.***Site Description****IHS Area:** Portland**Site Address:** 2592 Kwina Road  
Bellingham, WA 98226**Site Preceptor Information:**

Ashyk Sykander, DDS

[AshykS@lummi-nsn.gov](mailto:AshykS@lummi-nsn.gov)

(360) 384-0464

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.**Length of Externship:** 3 – 4 weeks**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

» University of Louisville

» University of Maryland

**Facility Oversight:** Tribal**Type of Facility:** Health Center**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No**Number of:** Operatories: 9                      Dentists: 4  
Hygienists: 1                      Dental Auxiliaries: 6**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4**Dental Procedures Performed:** General dentistry.**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:** N/A

## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Bellingham, WA

**Population:** 87,574

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:**  
Bellingham International Airport — 6 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:**  
Visit [airbnb.com](https://www.airbnb.com) for room rate information.



### Local Services:

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Anthony's Restaurants	Belli's Fair Mall	Haggen
Lighthouse Bar & Grill		Fred Mayer
Scotty Browns		

### Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Vancouver, BC	631,486	53.9
Seattle, WA	704,352	88.5

### Local Attractions:

» Whatcom Falls Park                      » Fairhaven Historic District                      » Boulevard Park

### Recreational Opportunities:

» Hiking    » Whale watching.    » Hunting  
» Biking    » Camping

## Tribal Information

### Tribes This Facility Serves:

» Lummi    » Other Native Tribes.

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** N/A

## PUYALLUP TRIBAL HEALTH AUTHORITY\*

*\*This facility is not accepting externs in 2020.*

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Portland

**Site Address:** 2209 East 32nd Street  
Tacoma, WA 98404

#### Site Preceptor Information:

Sean R. Kelly, DDS, MSc

[Sean@Eptha.com](mailto:Sean@Eptha.com)

(253) 593-0232, Ext. 546

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 2 – 4 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

- » Creighton University
- » University of Louisville
- » University of Pittsburgh
- » University of Colorado
- » University of Pennsylvania

**Facility Oversight:** Tribal

**Type of Facility:** Health Center

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 19      Dentists: 8  
Hygienists: 3      Dental Auxiliaries: 14

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 4 – 6

#### Dental Procedures Performed:

- » Restorative, including pedodontics.
- » Endodontic
- » Fixed/removable prosthodontics and orthodontics (observation or limited involvement).
- » Preventive
- » Oral surgery.

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:**

- » Pediatrics
- » Orthodontics



## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Tacoma, WA

**Population:** 211,277

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:** Seattle-Tacoma International Airport — 25 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car, shuttle or taxi.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:**

» Holiday Inn Express                                      » Comfort Inn                                      » La Quinta Inn

**Local Services:** Visit [traveltacoma.com](http://traveltacoma.com) for local services information.

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Seattle, WA	704,352	35

**Local Attractions:**

» Museums                                      » Zoo                                      » Theaters

**Recreational Opportunities:**

» Hiking                                      » Sailing                                      » Camping  
» Biking                                      » Skiing                                      » Fishing  
» Boating

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:** All registered American Indians and Alaska Natives living in Pierce County.

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:**

» Pow wows.                                      » Annual Tribal Canoe Journey



**WHITE SWAN DENTAL CLINIC****Site Description****IHS Area:** Portland**Site Address:** 62 Birdsong Lane  
White Swan, WA**Site Preceptor Information:**

Joe Nieto, DDS

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(509) 874-2028

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.**Length of Externship:** 2 – 4 weeks**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

» University of Louisville

» University of Maryland

**Facility Oversight:** Federal**Type of Facility:** Satellite dental clinic.**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No**Number of:** Operatories: 4                      Dentists: 1  
                    Hygienists: 1                      Dental Assistants: 2**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 6**Dental Procedures Performed:**

» Extractions

» Fixed

» Operative

» Removable

» Cleanings

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:** N/A



## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Yakima, WA

**Population:** 91,067

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:**

- » Yakima Air Terminal — 29 miles
- » Portland International Airport — 182 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:**

- » Quality Inn
- » Best Western

**Local Services:**

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Cowiche Canyon Kitchen and Ice House	Yakima Valley Mall	Rosauers Supermarkets
Dad's Family Restaurant		Safeway
Norm's of Yakima		Wray's Food and Drug
Second Street Grill		

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Ellensburg, WA	20,326	35
Portland, OR	632,309	170
Seattle, WA	704,352	180

**Local Attractions:**

- » Wine tasting.
- » Hiking
- » Local agriculture.
- » Brewery
- » Camping

**Recreational Opportunities:**

- » Hiking
- » Golf
- » Gyms
- » Camping
- » Tennis

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:** Yakama Nation primarily, but any federally recognized Tribe.

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** N/A



## YAKAMA INDIAN HEALTH CENTER

## Site Description

**IHS Area:** Portland

**Site Address:** 401 Buster Road  
Toppenish, WA 98948

**Site Preceptor Information:**

Joe Nieto, DDS

[Joe.Nieto@ihs.gov](mailto:Joe.Nieto@ihs.gov)

(509) 874-2028

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training with some observation.

**Length of Externship:** 2 – 4 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

» University of Maryland School of Dentistry, Baltimore

**Facility Oversight:** Federal

**Type of Facility:** Health Center

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** White Swan Dental Clinic

**Off-site Opportunities:** N/A

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** Yes

**Number of:** Operatories: 12                      Dentists: 4  
Hygienists: 1                      Dental Assistants: 9

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 6

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- |                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| » Diagnostic           | » Advanced restorative.                 |
| » Preventive           | » Removable prosthodontics.             |
| » Pediatric dentistry. | » Crowns and bridges.                   |
| » Basic restorative.   | » Oral surgery, including extraction of |

partial bony impacted third molars.

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:**

- |                   |                         |
|-------------------|-------------------------|
| » Family Medicine | » Pharmacy              |
| » Lab             | » Public Health Nursing |
| » Optometry       | » Pediatrics            |



## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Toppenish, WA

**Population:** 8,996

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:**

- » Yakima Air Terminal — 20 miles
- » Tri-Cities Airport — 67 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:**

- » Legends Hotel and Casino, Toppenish
- » Quality Inn and Suites Toppenish
- » Holiday Inn, Yakima
- » Days Inn and Suites, Toppenish
- » Vintage Valley Inn, Zillah

**Local Services:**

RESTAURANTS	SHOPPING	GROCERY STORE/MARKET
Cowiche Canyon Kitchen and Ice House	Yakima Valley Mall, Yakima	Albertsons
HopTown Wood Fired Pizza	Mid Valley Mall, Sunnyside	Fred Meyer
The Old Warehouse Restaurant and Lounge	Vintage Shop Antique Mall, Selah	Multiple local farmers' markets throughout Yakima Valley
Topp Thai Cuisine		Safeway
		Wray's Food and Drug

**Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:**

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Sunnyside, WA	16,140	5
Yakima, WA	71,845	18
Seattle, WA	668,342	123

**Local Attractions:**

- » Yakima Wine Country
- » Cascade Mountains
- » Yakima Valley Pippins, minor league baseball.

**Recreational Opportunities:**

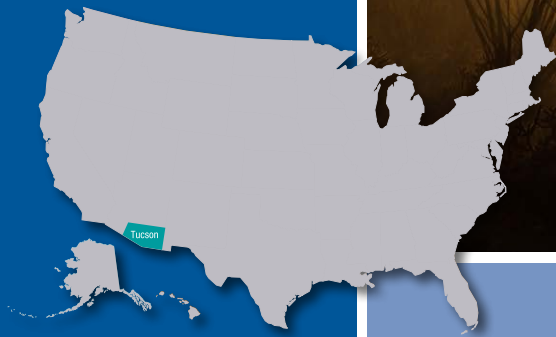
- » Hiking
- » Mountain biking.
- » Wine tasting.
- » Golf
- » Fishing

## Tribal Information

**Tribes This Facility Serves:** Yakama

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** N/A





# TUCSON

(Southern Arizona)

The Tucson Area, the smallest within IHS' 12 geographic Areas, serves the Tohono O'odham Nation and the Pascua Yaqui Tribe through one hospital and three health centers. Health service for the Tohono O'odham is centered in Sells, capital of the Tohono O'odham Reservation and hub of reservation life. Health care in the Sells Service Unit is a joint effort between IHS and the Tohono O'odham Health Department. The Yaqui Service Unit is jointly managed by IHS and the Pascua Yaqui Tribe. Dramatic scenery characterizes the Tucson Area, where elevations range from 1,400 feet in the Santa Rosa Valley to nearly 8,000 feet on Baboquivari Peak. Popular recreational activities include camping and backpacking in the awe-inspiring deserts and national forests and skiing on the famous slopes of Mount Lemmon. The city of Tucson is noted for its cultural amenities, as well as recreational opportunities, including golf, tennis, horseback riding and much more.

## PASCUA YAQUI TRIBAL DENTAL CENTER

### Site Description

**IHS Area:** Tucson

**Site Address:** 7494 S. Camino De Oeste  
Tucson, AZ 85757

**Site Preceptor Information:**

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(520) 879-6195

**Type of Externship:** Hands-on training.

**Length of Externship:** 1 – 3 weeks

**Collaborative Agreements — Colleges/universities with which this facility has an existing agreement for externs to practice dentistry:**

- » Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health
- » Creighton Dental College
- » Harvard University School of Dentistry

**Facility Oversight:** Tribal

**Type of Facility:** Clinic

**Field Clinics Operated by Site:** N/A

**Off-site Opportunities:**

- » Local school program.
- » Head Start

**Will Externs Visit Field Clinics or Participate in Off-site Opportunities?** No

**Number of:** Operatories: 10      Dentists: 8  
Hygienists: 2      Dental Auxiliaries: 8

**Average Number of Patients Seen By Externs Per Day:** 6

**Dental Procedures Performed:**

- » Basic restorative.
- » Simple extractions.
- » Preventative services.
- » Triage
- » Diagnosis and treatment planning.

**Disciplines/Specialties — Other disciplines/specialties practiced at this facility:**

- » Implantology
- » Oral surgery with general anesthetic (oral surgeon is on staff).
- » Periodontics (periodontist is on staff).
- » Endodontics





## Local Area Information

**City/Town:** Tucson, AZ

**Population:** 530,706

**Local Airport and Distance from Facility:** Tucson International Airport — 10 miles

**Transportation Available from Airport:** Rental car or taxi.

**Free Housing:** No

**Recommended Hotels Offering Government Rates:** Visit [visittucson.org](http://visittucson.org) for hotel information.

**Local Services:** Visit [visittucson.org](http://visittucson.org) for information on local services.

### Nearest Cities, Local Population and Distance from Facility:

CITY	POPULATION	DISTANCE (MILES)
Nogales, Mexico	212,533	71
Phoenix, AZ	1,615,000	107

### Local Attractions:

- » Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum
- » Sabino Canyon
- » Mount Lemmon
- » Pima Air Museum

### Recreational Opportunities:

- » Biking
- » Hiking
- » Golf
- » Visit [visittucson.org](http://visittucson.org) for information on recreational opportunities.

## Tribal Information

### Tribes This Facility Serves:

- » Primary
  - Pascua Yaqui
- » Secondary:
  - All other local Tribes on an emergency basis.

**Tribal/Cultural Activities and Dates, if applicable:** N/A



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## Division of Oral Health Externship Site Profiles

*A Guide to Participating Facilities, Cultures and Communities*

