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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### PETERSON, WATSON AND MICHAELS , New York, NY

Dental Hygienist, Jul 2005 – present

- Record and review patient medical histories.
- Apply fluorides and other cavity preventing agents to arrest dental decay.
- Chart conditions of decay and disease for diagnosis and treatment by dentist.
- Place and remove rubber dams, matrices, and temporary restorations.
- Administer local anesthetic agents, remove sutures and dressings and make impressions for study casts.
- Feel lymph nodes under patient's chin to detect swelling or tenderness that could indicate presence of oral cancer.
- Conduct dental health clinics for community groups to augment services of dentist.
- Examine gums, using probes, to locate periodontal recessed gums and signs of gum disease.
- Clean calcareous deposits, accretions, and stains from teeth and beneath margins of gums, using dental instruments.
- Feel and visually examine gums for sores and signs of disease.
- Provide clinical services and health education to improve and maintain the oral health of patients and the general public.
- Maintain dental equipment and sharpen and sterilize dental instruments.
- Expose and develop x-ray film.

## EDUCATION

### Tufts University, Boston, MA

*Bachelor of Science in Biology, May 2005*

## ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- Medical software — Henry Schein Dentrix software; Voice-activated perio charting software
- Dental lasers — Caries detection aids; Dental lasers; Neodymium-doped Yttrium Aluminum Garnet Nd:YAG dental lasers
- Oxygen therapy delivery system products accessories or its supplies — Nitrous oxide administration equipment; Oxygen administration equipment
- Ultrasonic cleaning equipment — Ultrasonic sterilization units
- Dental scalers or accessories — Autoscalars; Cavitron equipment; Curettes; Hand scalers; Hollow handle scalars; Solid handle scalars; Ultrasonic scalers
- Dental x ray units — Dental x ray machines; Digital dental x ray units; Panoramic dental x ray units; Portable dental x ray units

## LICENSURE

- Registered Dental Hygienist, State of New York