

# Volunteer Opportunities

## 2021 Canon City COMOM



An estimated 1,000 volunteers are needed to make this year's dental clinic a success. Whether you are a caring dental or health professional or a caring community volunteer, numerous opportunities are available for you to help at COMOM!

Online Volunteer Registration via [www.COMOM.org](http://www.COMOM.org).

### VOLUNTEER DENTAL/NONDENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

Only volunteers who have had their hepatitis vaccination will be allowed in areas of direct patient care or in areas of possible exposure to patient bodily fluids.

**Dentists:** Work in triage, provide treatment in oral surgery, restorative, endodontics, prosthodontics, and pediatrics, and also administer local anesthetic.

**Dental Hygienists:** Provide preventive treatments (i.e., prophylaxis, topical fluoride, sealants) and full mouth debridements, and also assist in oral cancer screening and oral health instruction.

**Dental Assistants:** Assist in oral surgery, restorative, endodontics, prosthodontics, pediatrics, and sterilization.

**Dental Students – University of Colorado (3rd & 4th Year, ISP):** Assist dentists across clinical departments.

**Dental Students – University of Colorado (1st & 2nd Year):** Dependent on clinical experience, may be able to assist dentists.

**Dental Hygiene Students:** Provide patients with oral health instruction.

**Dental Assisting Students:** Work in sterilization.

**X-Ray Technicians:** Provide patients with Panoramic and Nomad x-ray images.

**Lab Technicians:** Prepare interim partial and interim full dentures.

**Dental Equipment Maintenance Persons:** Ensure the optimal operation of dental equipment.

**Dental coders:** Code dental procedures performed by dentists and hygienists.

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**Medical Students:** Participate in mentoring program with COMOM dentists.

**Physicians, PAs, Nurses, and PA/Nursing Students:** Review patients' health history, and measure patients' blood pressure and blood glucose levels (health triage).

**EMTs/Paramedics:** Be available onsite in case of a medical emergency; assist in health triage

**Pharmacists, Pharmacist Students, Pharmacy Techs:** Dispense antibiotics and low-level pain medications as prescribed by dentists and oral surgeons.

# COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

**Crowd Management:** Ensure patients and volunteer have a comfortable and safe clinic experience.

**Data Entry:** Computer enter information from patient treatment forms.

**Food Service:** Serve patients and volunteers, and provide support in the food service area.

**Interpreters:** Assist patients by interpreting for them. Interpreters of all languages are needed. Individuals who are fluent in Spanish are of particular need. Individuals who are proficient in American Sign Language are also needed.

**Patient Registration:** Welcome patients to the clinic and assist them to complete clinic registration forms.

**Patient Escorts:** Escort patients to and from the various clinic departments.

**Patient Exit Interviews:** Interview patients gathering information about their pain status and the time frame of their most recent dental care, insurance status, demographic factors, and about their COMOM experience.

**Parking Management:** Assist patients and volunteers to park their cars, and to smoothly, and without delay, arrive at the clinic.

**Runners:** Assist department leads as needed.

**Volunteer Check-in:** Greet and check in volunteers.

**Willing Hands:** Help with setting up the dental clinic, and the taking down and packing up of the dental equipment and supplies at the close of the clinic.