

TWENTY-SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MISSOURI
FAMILY COURT – JUVENILE DIVISION

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Dental Services Specifications for St Louis Detention Center

The Family Court - Juvenile Division is seeking services of a dentist to provide dental services to detained juveniles during their stay in detention. Detained juveniles are between the ages of 10 and 17 with an average age of 15. The population is 85% male and 98% African-American. The average length of stay is approximately 25 days. Juveniles are referred for cases that would be law violations if they were adults and are held in detention pending their court hearing.

Services Needed

The court is in need of routine dental services for detained juveniles. The court would like to contract with a dentist who can come to detention once per week to meet with whichever children require the service. Weekly visits can be at a mutually agreeable time. On average, five juveniles are seen at each visit.

The dental services shall include a standard dental examination with diagnosis and followed by appropriate treatment which falls into the areas of: simple operative dentistry (fillings), simple periodontics treatment (gum disease), simple endodontics (root canals), and simple oral surgery (extractions). Extractions require parent or guardian consent. Any prosthodontic procedures (crown, bridges, dentures); any orthodontic procedures (teeth straightening); and any complex form of the above operative, periodontic, endodontic, and oral surgery procedures; and any other procedures requiring a specialist for which the Detention Center is not properly equipped, will not be performed, and it shall be the responsibility of the Family Court - Juvenile Division administration to procure treatment for those patients for whom it is determined such specific treatment is essential.

The Dentist shall keep appropriate records of his/her attendance and services. The Dentist shall also provide the Medical Unit of the Detention Center with a record of the patients seen and the treatment performed in laymen's terms at the completion of each visit.

The Detention Center shall provide the dental clinic area, operational equipment, and supplies necessary for the execution of the dental services to be rendered by the Dentist. The equipment and supplies shall be and remain the property of the Detention Center. Therefore, the Family Court – Juvenile Division is responsible for obtaining and paying for all necessary and reasonable repairs to equipment as requested by the Dentist, and shall be responsible for ordering and paying for all necessary and reasonable supplies as requested by the Dentist.

Nursing staff are available during the hours that the dentist visits detention.

There will be no dental visits for six weeks during the fiscal year during weeks mutually agreed upon by the dentist and the Detention Center.

Location

Services are provided at the Family Court - Juvenile Division, Detention Center. The address of the court building is 920 North Vandeventer Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63108 and the address of the Detention Center which is connected to the main court building is 3847 Enright, St. Louis, Missouri 63108. Patient visits occur in the dental office in the medical unit of the detention center.

Prescriptions and Medicaid

Juveniles are Medicaid eligible. Prescriptions are purchased through Medicaid or paid for with court funds.

License and Insurance

The dentist is required to provide a copy of their dental license, pharmaceutical license, curriculum vitae and certificate of malpractice insurance. The dentist is not an employee of the Court and would be working solely on a contractual basis and must supply their own medical malpractice insurance.

There is \$8,372 available for the contract for a full 12 month fiscal year. The current period that is available runs from contract signing through June 30, 2011. Each date of a dental visit is compensated at \$182.00 regardless of the number of children seen. The number of visits during the fiscal year shall not exceed 46.

There is availability of a full year contract to follow the current period for fiscal year that runs from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013. Annual extensions may be entered into at mutually agreeable terms.

For full consideration qualified applicants should send pertinent information to the Assistant Court Administrator, St. Louis, Missouri 63108 by December 9, 2011. The envelope must be clearly marked DENTAL SERVICES.