Dear Colleague:

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), is currently conducting a search for applicants to fill a leadership Supervisory Dental Officer position in our Bureau of Health Professions (BHPr), Division of Medicine and Dentistry (DMD). This is an exciting time in the Bureau as we focus on aligning the workforce with the nation's need for improved access to care.

BHPr programs provide policy leadership and grant support for health professions workforce development - making sure the U.S. has the right clinicians, with the right skills, working where they are needed. The DMD serves as the Bureau lead in support and evaluation of medical and dental personnel development and utilization including primary care physicians, dentists, dental hygienists, physician assistants, and other primary care specialties to provide health care in underserved areas.

We welcome the opportunity for you to partner with us as we strive to improve the oral health of the nation's underserved communities and vulnerable populations by assuring a diverse, culturally-competent workforce that is ready to provide access to quality health care services. To achieve this we would like to utilize the Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA) Mobility Program. The IPA Program supports assignments to or from state and local governments, institutions of higher education and other eligible organizations. The assignments are intended to facilitate cooperation between the federal government and non-federal entities through the temporary assignment of skilled personnel and the ability to serve in federal agencies for a period of time with continued employee rights and benefits.

Successful candidates will have a strong background and experience in oral health and dental workforce training and education programs, with a degree in dental surgery (D.D.S.) or dental medicine (D.M.D.) from a school approved by the American Dental Association's (ADA) Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). They will have an ability to work collaboratively and have demonstrated ability to manage complex programs of nationwide impact and significance. Technical writing ability is required including the ability to state facts and issues in a manner that presents sensitive policy implications in clear terms for the action of program administrators. Knowledge of Federal grant programs is helpful.

We would appreciate your bringing our need to the attention of individuals you think are qualified for, and perhaps would be interested in, this important leadership position. HRSA is an equal opportunity employer and we encourage applications from a diverse pool of high quality candidates.

To learn more about the IPA Program or for additional questions you may visit http://www.opm.gov/programs/ipa/Mobility.asp or contact Stacey Wilson, Executive Officer, BHPr at 301-443-8989.

This position will be located in Rockville, Maryland. All interested participants should forward their curriculum vitae or resume to BHPrAdmin@hrsa.gov for further consideration.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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