

Credentialing Requirements by Specialty

The following are the requirements for each specialty and the documents you will need to upload with your application. Please note that **Operation Smile requires that medical volunteers be actively practicing within the last two (2) years**. If you have not practiced medicine in more than two years, we regret that we are unable to place you a mission.

Anesthesia

- Fully completed Anesthesia application online including three references
- Copies of diploma & degrees
- Documentation of Anesthesia specialty training
- Copy of current license/registration in field
- Copy of Board Certification (where applicable)
- Current copy of ACLS certification (recommended)
- Current copy of PALS certification (required)

Biomedical Technician

- Fully completed Biomedical Tech application online including three references
 - Must have minimum 1 year experience in the OR or minimum 3 years experience in non-OR setting
- Copies of diploma and/or certifications relating to this position (C.B.E.T. recommended)
- Copy of current license (if applicable)

Child Life Specialist

- Fully completed Child Life application online including three references
 - **Must have minimum two years full-time, paid CLS experience** preparing children & families for surgery
- Copies of diplomas & degrees
- Copy of board certification (if applicable) (For US volunteers – CCLS required)

Dentistry

- Fully completed Dental application online with three references
 - **Must be able to fabricate obturators for credentialing on surgical missions.**
 - Applicants without obturator experience may be credentialed for dental missions, but please note that presently these opportunities are extremely limited.
- Copies of diplomas & degrees
- Copy of current license/registration in field
- Copy of Board certification (where applicable)

Nursing

- Fully completed Nursing application online including three references
 - **Must be actively working in a pediatric medical/surgical unit, PICU, NICU, PACU, OR, or ER during the past two years.**
 - Areas such as administration, clinics, OB, Psych, and schools do not meet this criterion.
- Current pediatric experience required
- Copies of diplomas & degrees

- Copy of current license/registration in field (For US/CAN volunteers, minimum RN)
- Copy of current BLS certification
- Copy of current PALS certification

Pediatrics

- Fully completed Pediatrics application online including three references
- Copies of diploma & degrees
- Documentation of Pediatrics specialty training
- Copy of current license/registration in field
- Copy of Board certification (where applicable)
- Current copy of PALS certification

Plastic Surgery

- Fully completed Plastic Surgeon application online including three references
 - **Must have current and extensive experience with cleft patients**
- Copies of diplomas & degrees
- Documentation of Plastic Surgery specialty training
- Copy of current license/registration in field
- Copy of Board certification (where applicable)

Speech Language Pathology

- Fully completed Speech Language Pathology application online including three references
 - **Must have current experience with cleft patients for the last 3 years**
- Copies of diplomas & degrees
- Copy of current license/registration in field (if applicable)
- Copy of current Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology (CCC-SLP)

Medical Records

- Fully completed Medical Records application (online or hard copy) including three references and essay about why you want to get involved with Operation Smile
- Must complete medical records training program with the Clinical Data Coordinator