DENTAL HYGIENE OBSERVATION

Observation requirements – Shadow a Registered Dental Hygienist in a general (adult) or periodontal dental office for a minimum of 8 hours. Observations can be completed in one 8 hour session or two 4 hour sessions at the same office. Observations at the WSU Dental Hygiene Clinic or AEGD Clinic are not accepted.

Please respond to the following questions and have the registered dental hygienist you shadowed complete the bottom of this form including signature.

This form must be completed *in your own handwriting in black ink* – DO NOT create a new form or type answers on this form or a separate page.

A PDF COPY OF THIS FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH OUR DENTAL HYGIENE ONLINE APPLICATION, DUE THE FIRST FRIDAY IN NOVEMBER.

1. What were your expectations prior to this visit of what the hygienist would be doing?

2. How did your observations compare with your expectations?

3. Which of the observed procedures would you enjoy doing the most and **WHY**?

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4. Which of the observed procedures would you enjoy doing the least and **WHY**?

5. How did observations influence your decision to pursue a career in dental hygiene?

6. Please list what dental hygiene procedures you observed during this required visit.

7. Compare your research of the dental hygiene profession with your observations.

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE DENTAL HYGIENIST SHADOWED

I verify that _____ observed me for 8 hours at the

office of _____

Date(s) of Observation: _____

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Registered Dental Hygienist Printed Name Registered Dental Hygienist Signature

Dental Hygiene School and Year of Graduation _____

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