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Q2 Are you making this submission survey **as a registered practitioner**

Q3 Please tell us which part of the sector your submission survey represents **a registered clinical dental technician**

Page 3: General question about recertification

Q4 Do you think the Dental Council needs to make changes to its current recertification framework? **Respondent skipped this question**

Page 4: Area for change one: public assurance

Q5 Each of the seven statements below are equally important components of good oral health care. We want to identify where there are gaps or weaknesses in the way our oral health practitioners serve the public. Please rank the components from 1-7, with one being the component you think needs the most improvement and seven being the component you think needs the least improvement: **Respondent skipped this question**

Q6 Do you think the Dental Council needs to equip patients and the public to recognise poor practise? **Yes,**
 Please give your reasons::
 Some of the denture work that I have seen from dentists and recent technician graduates leaves a lot to be worried about, poor quality do to possible lack of knowledge and training.

Page 5: Area for change two: right-touch risk-based regulation

Q7 Do you feel you have adequate information about the Dental Council's approach to regulation? **No**

Q8 A risk pyramid illustrates the connection between the desired actions and/or behaviours of a practitioner and the differing level of responses a regulator can use to encourage and/or achieve the desired action and/or behaviour. Do you think the Dental Council should develop a risk pyramid/matrix to explain the types and levels of risk and corresponding regulatory responses? **No**

Page 6: Area for change three: risk identification

Q9 Which (if any) of these tools and mechanisms do you think the Dental Council should be using to identify and manage risk? **Practice questionnaires**, **Practical training/experience for a period of time**, **Supervision, counselling and/or mentoring**

Q10 Are you aware of any other tools or mechanisms the Dental Council should be using to identify and manage risk? **No**

Q11 Do you think any of these risk tools or mechanisms are more effective than others? **No**

Page 7: Area for change four: early intervention

Q12 Do you think the Dental Council should explore the use of risk analysis and risk-profiling to identify poor practise sooner? **Yes,** Please give your reasons:: A practitioner is probably unaware of any slip in their standards as they may loose the ability gradually.

Page 8: Area for change five: compliance

Q13 Do you think the Dental Council should explore the use of incentives to encourage practitioner compliance? **Yes**

Q14 What do you think the Dental Council could do differently to encourage practitioner compliance with its recertification requirements? Please explain:

Not be so black or white in the interpretation of the act

Page 9: Area for change six: ongoing education and learning opportunities

Q15 Do you think the Dental Council should change its current amount of prescribed hours and peer activities?

No - the hours are about right

Q16 Do you think the Dental Council should change the current length of its education and learning opportunities (CPD) cycle?

No - the cycle length is about right

Please tell us what your preferred increase/decrease in cycle is and why::

If you lengthen the cycle a practitioner that is not making the grade could be allowed to practice longer and be a threat to the public.

Q17 Please rank the following statements (with one being most important and eight being least important) according to the following question: Which actions should the Dental Council prioritise when considering its approach to ongoing education and learning opportunities?

Respondent skipped this question

Q18 Do you think the Dental Council needs to make any other changes or improvements to the ongoing education and learning process?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 10: Final thoughts and comments

Q19 Do you have any other comments, suggestions or information you want to share with the Dental Council about recertification?

Respondent skipped this question