

Page 2: Information about the person or organisation completing this submission

**Q1** This submission was completed by:

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

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

Page 3: Area one: new core recertification programme

**Q4** What, if anything, do you like about our proposed core recertification programme?

A greater emphasis on education rather than attendance

**Q5** Is there anything about our proposed core recertification programme you would change? **No**

**Q6** Do you support our proposal to change the recertification cycle to 12 months? **Yes**

**Q7** Do you think our proposed core recertification programme should include a requirement for practitioners to complete an online open-book assessment of their technical and clinical knowledge and skills? **Yes**

**Q8** If a proposal about an online open-book assessment of a practitioner's technical and clinical skills and knowledge is supported, how often should practitioners be required to complete an assessment? **Annually,**  
Please explain.:  
Bluntly, it keeps people on their toes

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**Q9** Do you have other proposals about our proposed core recertification programme you would like us to consider? Please explain.

Respondent skipped this question

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Page 4: Area two: support for new registrants

**Q10** What, if anything, do you like about our draft proposals for supporting new registrants?

Mentoring of all new graduates will give greater work skill confidence - some are left to struggle with little help or support

**Q11** Is there anything about the draft proposals for supporting new registrants you would change?

No

**Q12** Do you think the proposed two year minimum period for the mentoring relationship is:

just right

**Q13** Do you think all new registrants should participate in a mentoring programme, or are there some new registrants who should not be required to participate in a mentoring programme?

Yes

**Q14** Do you have other proposals about supporting new registrants you would like us to consider? Please explain.

Respondent skipped this question

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Page 5: Area three: addressing health-related competence decline concerns

**Q15** What, if anything, do you like about our draft proposals for addressing health-related competence decline concerns?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q16** Is there anything about the draft proposals for addressing health-related competence decline concerns you would change?

No

**Q17** Do you have other proposals for addressing health-related competence decline concerns you would like us to consider? Please explain.

Respondent skipped this question

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Page 6: Area four: addressing recurring non-compliant practitioner behaviours

**Q18** What, if anything, do you like about our draft proposals for addressing recurring non-compliant practitioner behaviours?

Respondent skipped this question

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**Q19** Is there anything about the draft proposals for addressing recurring non-compliant practitioner behaviours you would change?

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**No**

**Q20** Do you have other proposals for addressing recurring non-compliant practitioner behaviours you would like us to consider? Please explain.

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**Respondent skipped this question**

Page 7: Final thoughts and comments

**Q21** Do you have any other comments, suggestions or information you want to share with us about the draft proposals for improving our approach to recertification?

One very important factor : cost to the practitioner. Those in low population areas have to spend far more (e.g. travel, accommodation) than those in large centres to access courses, mentors, peer groups.

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