

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

Q1 This submission was completed by:

Name

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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 dentist or dental specialist

Page 3: Area one: new core recertification programme

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

More emphasis on peer contact, but prefer organised study group format

Online confirmation of knowledge of Standards

Focus on quality of PDAs

Q5 Is there anything about our proposed core recertification programme you would change?

Yes,

Please explain.:

Do not think the attestation by a peer will necessarily confirm a practitioner's competence. The responsibilities and legal ramifications of this need to be confirmed first. There will be a reluctance to fail a colleague I would like the quality of CPD activities to be assessed and verified by an "authority" rather than leaving it up to individual practitioners to decide this. We see too many low quality non-evidence based presentations passing off as meaningful CPD activities.

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

No,

Please explain.:

12 months is too short a time frame for many practitioners to achieve the desired level of CPD and peer contact. Practitioners often need to attend conferences outside of NZ and time and financial constraints prevent this happening on an annual basis. Commitments to family, illness, changes in personal circumstances etc can all play a part in making it difficult to fulfil recertification requirements on an annual basis. For this reason, averaging over a 4 year cycle works well. Recertification should be a reasonably enjoyable experience and not stressful.

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?

Please explain.:

Need more information.

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?

Please explain.:

Need more information, such as volume of reading required.

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

For the dentists, NZDA branch membership is important for collegiality and also financial viability of the branches. A new recertification programme needs to ensure that most CPD and peer contact activities can continue to be provided by the branches

Page 4: Area two: support for new registrants

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

I agree with it. Emphasis on ethics

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

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

Respondent skipped this question

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?

Respondent skipped this question

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

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?

All of it

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

No

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

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?

It would be ideal to initially trial a new recertification programme using a small group of practitioners
