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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 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?

Online assessment is fine

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

Yes,

Please explain.:

I don't think peer involved professional development plan is going to be fair for everyone. It's fine for a dentist in a mutipractice as it's easy to have a matching buddy. A person in a single practice or for a overseas dentist who don't have batch mates that they know it's not going to be that easy. Also there need to be restrictions that family can't be peer dentists or friends can't be peer dentists,otherwise it will be like helping each other . If the peer is not very good or dont do certain types of treatments how is he or she going to asses the dentist in those treatments. Also if the peer is your boss I dont think the junior dentist will say anything to make it difficult for the senior dentist. It's not going to be a system to assess everyone fairly.

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

No,

Please explain.:

Every year it might be hard depending on life situations. We may have commitments with family or other things which may affect the recertification if we have it yearly. It is a burden to dentist to be under pressure if we have to do it yearly, having saying that I make sure that I get enough points or more every year to avoid any last moment issues with Cpd and plan Cpd courses with other commitments that I have in the year. I think it's unfair really to penalize people who are always taking this seriously making sure it's on track.

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,

Please explain.:

It's good as it will help us to remind things and esp if we are people with special interest in particular type of treatments this will help us to have good technical, clinical knowledge and skill in treatments that we are not very keen to do too.

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?

Every two years ,

Please explain.:

Annually would be too much work as we have to have a life too, already it's a stressful job and making it more stressful is not fair.

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

May be every dentist to join small dental groups and meet every 3 months to discuss cases they had or dental council to give variety of topics to discuss rather than one peer saying to the other good or not good.

Page 4: Area two: support for new registrants

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

Mentoring programme for new grads for some period is good.

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

No

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

**too ,
long**

Please explain.:

I am a supervisor for 5th year students. Most of the students are capable and confident and those who are not that confident will need at least a good one year help with mentoring. 2 years will be too long for most people.

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,

Please explain.:

It's best all are in a mentoring programme. Clinical skill is different to knowledge.

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?

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

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

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

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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?

Lot of us are doing our cpd on time and attending to branch meetings regularly as its important for us to be updated in dentistry and have interactions with peers. Theses changes are going to make it difficult to people like us who are already doing things as we should and others who are not will always find a way .
