

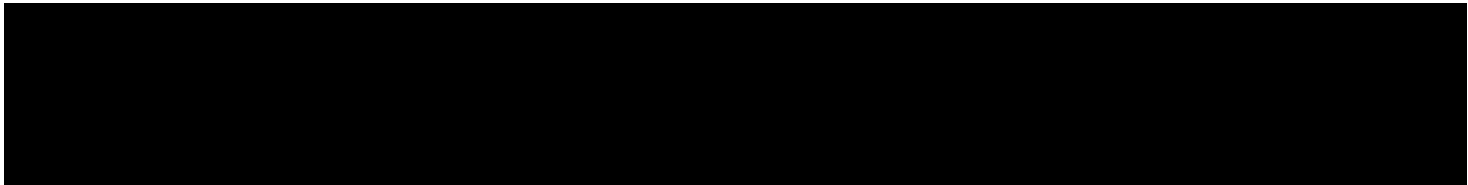


Page 2: Information about the person or organisation completing this submission

Q1 This submission was completed by:

Name

Katy McLaughlin



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?

Respondent skipped this question

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

Yes

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

No,

Please explain.:

Absolutely appalled by the condescending nature of the proposed 'area one' changes. There is no faith in the profession. Peer review does not reflect competency. As a dental specialist peer review is more complex with limited peers to assist. Expensive overseas courses every year is above and beyond what should be required to maintain competence. I have raised concerns about blatantly non-compliant individuals and nothing has been investigated by the dental council. How is it that I now have to find a buddy and write a journal describing my feeling about work. Everyone has a good day and a bad day at the offices and every good professional will reflect on this without having to be told to do so. The new changes are ridiculous and an absolute joke considering the blind eye that the dental council turns when a problem is raised. Let us get on with being dentists and stop sucking the lifeblood out of us (and charging us for the privilege). Why should we spend all this time reflecting and talking when you never listen. What about illness? parenthood? taking a well-deserved holiday or time out for six months? the burden of recertification is out of proportion with the task.

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?

No,

Please explain.:

Again, ridiculous. Who is setting these tasks? if we have to sit a test every year then we shouldn't be allowed to practice on patients every day! You completely ignore the value of practice and experience. how to you check technical skill? go-pro's attached to our loupes? it's all a bit big brother when we are supposed to be professionals.

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.:

Never. Ridiculous.

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

Complete waste of time and money. do your job and actually do something for once when a problem is raised.

Page 4: Area two: support for new registrants

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

Respondent skipped this question

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

Respondent skipped this question

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

Respondent skipped this question

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?

Respondent skipped this question

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

competency is inferred by graduation and registration. support should be just that.

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?

Why don't you address it first time around? you don't.

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

Please explain.:

You seem more concerned in regulating compliant practitioners. I suspect this is a bit easier for you. Shift your focus. Listen when problems are raised.

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

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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?

Do many practitioners support these changes? I thought not.
