

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**

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,**
Please explain.:
Students pay alot for the university to teach them their qualification,why is mentoring necessary? Qualification usually means a certain standard has been attained. Is this required for dentist and doctors?

Q6 Do you support our proposal to change the recertification cycle to 12 months? **No,**
Please explain.:
This is excessive

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 shouldn't this be gained at university

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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.:

do dentists and doctors have to be tested regularly, this is just further red tape. I agree to eye sight testing etc just like hep b testing. Again standards should be attained at university, and regular courses should be attended.

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

All other professionals ie accountants, lawyers doctors and dentists are supported by their professional body of peers

Page 4: Area two: support for new registrants

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

Mentoring is a good idea,as long as they aren't taken advantage of(ie unrealistic expectations)

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?

No

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?

Regular optometrist visits and health checks

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

Yes,

Please explain.:

People are living longer with better health we know a person at 60 can be like a 50 years old or have health concerns that may limit them similar to an 80 year old. The only people able to make these health decisions would be a GP.

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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?

Understanding reasons behind these non compliant behaviours needs to be understood. Help may be required to attain them

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?

Respondent skipped this question
