

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

Q1 This submission was completed by:

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Company/organisation	Northland DHB

Q2 Are you making this submission

on behalf of a company or organisation ,

If group, company or organisation, please specify::

Northland DHB dentists and dental specialists

Q3 Please tell us which part of the sector your submission represents

a registered dentist or dental specialist ,

a district health board

Page 3: Area one: new core recertification programme

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

We feel eye examinations are important
The quality rather than quantity approach

Phase two consultation on recertification

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

Yes,

Please explain.:

We feel this new process will put new strain on competent dentists working within their scope as it is very lengthy. Yearly PDP and PDAs seem to be very frequent, 3-4 year cycle is good for if maternity leave is taken or a sabbatical etc. Concerns around cost of new setup which will go back to the practitioners. Response for feedback -time very short to consider the document. Mentoring is unrealistic. Would need 200 mentors per year. Hard to find 70 for new grads, relies on good will of a few practitioners, and there are differing levels of mentoring. We feel that targeting 40 years plus for eye exams is not needed- all ages should be tested.

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

No,

Please explain.:

3-4 year cycle is good for if maternity leave is taken or a sabbatical etc.

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.:

We do not have a problem with this aspect

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 three years

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

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: Area two: support for new registrants

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

We have a mentoring programme for house officers

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

Yes,

Please explain.:

Some new registrants need more mentoring than others - it should be flexible

Phase two consultation on recertification

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

Please explain.:

Either too short or too long Some new registrants need more mentoring than others - it should be flexible

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.:

If a dentist is from a country with similar training to NZ and has experience they should be exempt

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?

Yes,

Please explain.:

All ages eye exam

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

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