

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?

Mixed feelings. It is good for public safety and reassurance. It is a big change so wondering how long the transition will take. Will there be standardized forms for practitioners to use to fill out PDP and for reflection and documentation on PDA

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

Yes,

Please explain.:

Biennial recertification if the purposed changes are accepted. It will take a bit of time for practitioners to develop a PDP and complete the PDA with the appropriate evaluation and reflection. I think for quality plans and actives then two yearly recertification is appropriate.

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

No,

Please explain.:

see above

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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.:

As dentists we operate under a certain scope of practice. Within that scope we can evaluate our own knowledge and skill levels and refer when appropriate. In regards to oral surgery, endodontics and oral medicine especially, there is a range of treatments that some general dentists perform and some prefer to refer. In regards to an open-book assessment how is a generalized assessment going to take into account these variations. For example impacted molar extractions and calcified canals ?

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 four 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?

I think support for new registrants is important

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?

Please explain.:

Experienced registrants from countries with similar working environments to ours should be able to opt out if deemed appropriate by their nominated peer.

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?

Good idea but I think very difficult to implement in a fair and objective manner.

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

Yes,

Please explain.:

Everyone should have an eye test. People under 40 can have poor eyesight as well.

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?

I am happy the council is proactive in ensuring all practitioners are compliant.

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
