

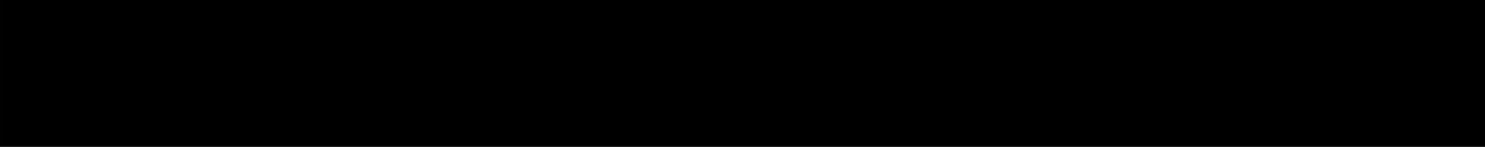


Page 2: Information about the person or organisation completing this submission

Q1 This submission was completed by:

Name

Shelley Paterson



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?

That you are trying to identify people that are not practicing or working as one would hope their Dentist is.

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

Yes,

Please explain.:

1. It appears to me overall you are trying to identify Dentist that do not have morals or standards and protocols which most New Zealand trained Dentists consider normal practice. I believe that some of these issues come about due to NZ's in flux in overseas Dentists. Dental training which we have no control of and little inner knowledge of methods and protocols. So there must be a way to ensure these "new" Dentists adhere to high New Zealand standards of training and care. I believe we need a similar system to the UK where newly registered NHS Dentists need a Performer Number. In the same way as UK these individuals will need mentors and peer contacts and similar suggestions you have made for ALL CURRENTLY practicing DENTISTS in your re-certification outlines. There must be a way to do this without it being considered racially discriminatory. I believe it would also be beneficial for new graduates to ensure they start on the "right path" I am not sure how you monitor or access the ALREADY CERTIFIED overseas and new graduate Dentists but there must be a way to request this standard retrospectively or put a say - all Dentists certified since 2015 must have this number. 2. Eye tests. I personally wear glasses. I had my current eye test last week. And my optician has told me my eyes are stable and I will only need check again in 2 years. So it seems an unnecessary cost for me to have my eyes tested yearly for the NZDA when my professional optician has told me I only need it doing 2yrly. So I think it is a good idea that everyone has an eye exam before they can be certified. But then a compulsory test should only be required maybe every 5yrs. Because those that do require on going glasses should be in an optical recall system that suits them.

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

No,

Please explain.:

It is too short a period. We have so much to manage as it is. With courses to attend, practices and staff to manage, peer contact. Where is the time for work life balance!

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

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

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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? **Respondent skipped this question**

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? **Yes**

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.:
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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? **Respondent skipped this question**

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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