

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

Q1 This submission was completed by:

Name **Steve Russell**

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?

Increase of peer to peer activity

Q5 Is there anything about our proposed core recertification programme you would change? **Yes,**
Please explain.:
I would prefer that peer activities involve membership of a group rather than a 1 to 1 manufactured relationship

Q6 Do you support our proposal to change the recertification cycle to 12 months? **No,**
Please explain.:
Cycle is too short to allow flexibility, makes CPD activity more onerous

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.:
Wouldnt achieve very much, it is the actual clinical and technical practical skills that require assessment and maintenance

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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?

Every four years ,

Please explain.:

Again it would not achieve its target. The assessment every 4 years may pick up issues, but to have it more often would just be more work for little result

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

I think practical assessments would be of more use especially if they were applied to practitioners who have incurred a number of complaints

Page 4: Area two: support for new registrants

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

Excellent idea, needs to be a minimum of 2 years, three years for overseas registrants.

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

Yes,

Please explain.:

I would restrict them from being sole practitioners until they have completed the 2 years mentoring, especially for Clinical registrants

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

just right,

Please explain.:

If there is a need for further assistance then it can be extended, but that decision needs to be made early by the mentor in consultation with there peer group.

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.:

There is just not enough practical experience from the new registrants to let them avoid a mentoring program

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?

Eyesight tests are sensible

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

No,
Please explain.:
NEEDS TO BE DONE.

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?

Yes,
Please explain.:
Repeated non compliance should incur suspension from practice

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
