

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

Q1 This submission was completed by:

Name **Steven Wong**

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?

I feel there is no need to change the existing recertification criteria.

Q5 Is there anything about our proposed core recertification programme you would change? **Yes,**
Please explain.:
The existing recertification compulsory CPD system should be retained. I feel there is no need to change the system that is working up to now.

Q6 Do you support our proposal to change the recertification cycle to 12 months? **No,**
Please explain.:
I would to see the existing 4 yearly cycle retained.

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.:
An online assessment would not provide an appropriate test for your technical and clinical knowledge and skills.

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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.:

I don't believe an open-book online assessment would be a accurate test of your clinical skills.

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

I would like to see the existing recertification system retained. There is no evidence of harm to the public from the statistics supplied by the dental council.

Page 4: Area two: support for new registrants

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

I agree that a mentoring system would be helpful. This should be on a voluntary basis however.

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

Yes,

Please explain.:

The mentoring program should be on a voluntary basis.

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

**too ,
long**

Please explain.:

There should be option for 1 or 2 years.

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.:

I feel new graduates would benefit the most from the mentoring program. Regarding experienced practitioners, the benefits maybe minimal.

Q14 Do you have other proposals about supporting new registrants you would like us to consider? Please explain.

No

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?

I think every dentist is able to determine on their own whether there sight is adequate. I think most dentist would have regular 2 yearly eye tests already.

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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.:

Most dentist would use augmented vision devices e.g loops for dentistry.

Q17 Do you have other proposals for addressing health-related competence decline concerns you would like us to consider? Please explain.

no

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 agree with proposed changes

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.

No

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?

no
