

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

**Q1** This submission was completed by:

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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?

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.

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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

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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.

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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.

no

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### 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

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**Q19** Is there anything about the draft proposals for addressing recurring non-compliant practitioner behaviours you would change?

**No**

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**Q20** Do you have other proposals for addressing recurring non-compliant practitioner behaviours you would like us to consider? Please explain.

No

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### 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

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