

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?

Respondent skipped this question

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

Yes,
Please explain.:
I would suggest more support to the practitioners in an effort to protect the public. This can be done by encouraging peer groups that meet monthly and come up with a written report on what was discussed. Specific CPD should be covered in these meetings.

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

No,
Please explain.:
Having the recertification every year will take a significant effort for dentists & managing to keep continuity will be difficult for many, there are many aspects of life that may impact on any particular year, such as changing practices, changing location, sickness, moving overseas for a certain time, plus there are many dentists who are better in theory than others but that will not mean that they are better in clinical aspect so the recertification will not be fair on all.

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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.:

Open book assessment can be used for infection control & CPR, however, it is not sufficient for assessing clinical and technical skills. Being able to recall information by memory and put it into writing does not reflect clinical skills.

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.

I would like you to consider keeping CPD points so dentists continue getting together at branch meetings and conferences and keeping their knowledge up to date. Each cycle points can be earned by attending meetings and courses of specific criteria.

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?

Yes,

Please explain.:

the new graduate & new registrants should have a mentor to support & guide them , the mentor should be nominated by the NZDA

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

too , long

Please explain.:

It will be difficult to get enough mentors and it would require significant numbers each and every year.

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.:

all should have mentoring programme.

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

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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?

No,
Please explain.:
Cognitive tests were suggested, however, a real expertise is needed to interpret these tests when the results are in an outstanding range. Adding to issue is that many children are misdiagnosed in the first place.

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?

No,
Please explain.:
A concern I have is that nothing in the proposal proves good conduct or competence. For example, having an eye test over the age of 40 every two years is prudent.

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