

# DRAFT Notice under the Legislation Act 2019 of prescribed qualifications for Scope of Practice for Clinical Dental Technology and Implant Overdentures

## Under the Legislation Act 2019

Under the Legislation Act 2019, notice is given of the making of the following secondary legislation:

| <i>Title</i>                                       | <i>Empowering provision(s)</i> | <i>Administering agency</i> | <i>Date made</i> |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 | Section 12                     | Dental Council              | X                |

This secondary legislation can be accessed at: <https://dcnz.org.nz/resources-and-publications/resources/gazette-notices/>.

The following replaces the prescribed qualifications for the Scope of Practice for Clinical Dental Technology as published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, 12 November 2021, Notice No. 2021-sl4799. The scope of practice and competencies for clinical dental technology published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, 12 November 2021, Notice No. 2021-sl4799 remain unchanged.

## Prescribed qualifications for the scope of practice for clinical dental technology

### New Zealand accredited programme

- ~~Registration in the dental technology scope of practice and a~~ Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Dental Technology University of Otago.

### Competent Authority- Qualification

#### Australia

- an educational institution dental prosthetics qualification accredited by the Australian Dental Council<sup>1</sup>.
- an Australian educational institution qualification approved by the Dental Board of Australia for the purposes of registration in dental prosthetics in Australia<sup>2</sup>.

### Competent Authority- Registration<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Before 30 June 2010, and before 17 October 2010 for Western Australia

<sup>2</sup> From 1 July 2010 onwards, and 18 October 2010 onwards for Western Australia

<sup>3</sup> Upon commencement of practice in New Zealand, practitioners registered under the competent authority -registration pathway will practise under the oversight of a Council-approved practitioner for a period of at least six months under the terms of the oversight protocol

- current full/unrestricted/unconditional clinical dental technology or equivalent registration with a competent authority(s) recognised by Council<sup>4</sup> ; and
- clinical practice<sup>5</sup> in clinical dental technology in the recognised competent authority(s) for at least 33 months (working 20 hours or more per week) during the 48 months prior to application.

### Examination

- A clinical dental technology qualification and a pass in the New Zealand Clinical Dental Technology Registration Examination.

### Prescribed qualifications for implant overdentures

- ~~• Until 1 July 2017 registration as a Clinical Dental Technician plus evidence of appropriate training, completion or commencement of at least 8 documented cases and a competency attestation from an appropriately qualified dentist or dental specialist~~
- A Dental Council approved implant overdenture course or a pass in the Dental Council implant overdenture registration examination.

Dated this x day of x 2025.

Marie MacKay, Chief Executive, Dental Council

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<sup>4</sup> Republic of Ireland (Dental Council of Ireland), United Kingdom (General Dental Council), Australia (Australian health practitioner regulation agency) for the purposes of clinical dental technology

<sup>5</sup> Clinical practice means the maintenance of health through the assessment, diagnosis, management, treatment, and prevention of any disease, disorder or condition of the orofacial complex and associated structures