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NOTICE OF REPLACEMENT SCOPES OF PRACTICE AND PRESCRIBED QUALIFICATIONS

PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 11 AND 12 OF THE HEALTH
PRACTITIONERS COMPETENCE ASSURANCE ACT 2003

Dental Council of New Zealand

Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003

Notice of Replacement Scopes of Practice and Prescribed Qualifications

This notice is issued by the Dental Council pursuant to sections 11 and 12 of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003.

This notice shall come into effect 7 January 2010.

The following scope replaces the Scope of General Dental Practice published in the New Zealand Gazette, 7 December 2006, No. 167, page 4856.

Scope of Practice for General Dental Practice

The scope of practice for general dental practice is the practice of dentistry as set out in the documented "Detailed Scope of Practice for General Dental Practice" produced and published from time to time by the Dental Council.

It involves 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 within the scope of the practitioner's approved education, training and competence.

Prescribed Qualifications

- Bachelor of Dental Surgery, University of Otago; or
- an Australian Dental Council (ADC) accredited undergraduate dental degree from an ADC accredited dental school in Australia; or
- a Commission on Dental Accreditation (CDA) accredited undergraduate dental degree from a CDA accredited dental school in the USA or Canada; or
- a General Dental Council (GDC) accredited undergraduate dental degree from a GDC accredited dental school in the UK, or Commonwealth as listed below:

Dental School

Dates of recognition

Western Cape	Before 1 January 1998
Hong Kong	Before 1 January 2001
Singapore	Before 1 January 2001
Witwatersrand	Before 1 January 2001
Pretoria	Before 1 January 2001
Stellenbosch	Before 1 January 2001
Medical University of South Africa	Between 1 January 1997 and 31 December 2000
Malaysia	Between 1 January 1997 and 31 December 2000;

or

- a five year undergraduate dental degree; a pass in the New Zealand Dental Registration Examinations; or

- a five year undergraduate dental degree; a pass in the Australian Dental Council licensing examinations; or
- a five year undergraduate dental degree; a pass in the USA licensing examinations.

The following scope replaces the Scope of Practice for Endodontic Specialists published in the New Zealand Gazette, 11 December 2008, No. 192, page 5099.

Scope of Practice for Endodontic Specialists

Endodontic Specialists practise in the branch of dentistry that is concerned with the morphology and pathology of the pulpo-dentine complex and periradicular tissues. Its study and practice encompasses the basic clinical sciences including the biology of the normal pulp, and the aetiology, diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of diseases and injuries to the pulp and associated periradicular tissues.

Specialist Endodontics is undertaken by a dental practitioner who possesses additional postgraduate qualifications, training and experience recognised by the Dental Council as appropriate for registration.

Prescribed Qualifications

- MDS (Endodontics) University of Otago; or
- DClinDent (Endodontics) University of Otago; or
- an ADC accredited MDS or MDSc or DClinDent degree in Endodontics from an ADC accredited dental school in Australia; or
- two years or more of full time equivalent postgraduate training in the specialty at a recognised tertiary academic institution or equivalent; evidence of research activity; a pass in the New Zealand Endodontic Specialist Examination.

The following scope replaces the Scope of Practice for Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Specialists published in the New Zealand Gazette, 20 May 2005, No. 81, page 1927.

Scope of Practice for Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Specialists

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Specialists practise in that part of surgery which deals with the diagnosis, surgical and adjunctive treatment of diseases, injuries and defects of the human jaws and associated structures.

Specialist Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery is undertaken by a dental practitioner who possesses additional postgraduate qualifications, training and experience recognised by the Council as appropriate for registration.

Prescribed Qualifications

- MDS/MBChB (Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery) University of Otago; or
- an ADC accredited MDS or MDSc or DClinDent in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery from an ADC accredited Australian University; a medical degree from a medical school listed in the WHO World Directory of Medical Schools or the ECFMG Faimer Directory; or
- registration in oral and maxillofacial surgery with the General Medical Council, UK; or
- Board certification in oral and maxillofacial surgery in a USA or Canadian state and possession of a medical degree from a medical school listed in the WHO

World Directory of Medical Schools or the ECFMG Faimer Directory and dental degree; or

- two years or more of full time equivalent postgraduate training in the specialty at a recognised tertiary academic institution or equivalent; evidence of research activity; a pass in the New Zealand Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Specialist Examination.

The following scope replaces the Scope of Practice for Oral Medicine Specialists published in the New Zealand Gazette, 20 May 2005, No. 81, page 1927.

Scope of Practice for Oral Medicine Specialists

Oral Medicine Specialists practise in the branch of dentistry that is concerned with the oral health care of patients with chronic and medically related disorders of the oral and maxillofacial region, and with their diagnosis and non-surgical management.

Specialist Oral Medicine is undertaken by a dental practitioner who possesses additional postgraduate qualifications, training and experience recognised by the Dental Council as appropriate for registration.

Prescribed Qualifications

- MDS/MBChB (Oral Medicine) University of Otago; or
- an ADC accredited MDS or MDSc or DClinDent degree in Oral Medicine from an ADC accredited dental school in Australia; a medical degree from a medical school listed in the WHO World Directory of Medical Schools or the ECFMG Faimer Directory; or
- two years or more of full time equivalent postgraduate training in the specialty at a recognised tertiary academic institution or equivalent; evidence of research activity; a pass in the New Zealand Oral Medicine Specialist Examination.

The following scope replaces the Scope of Practice for Oral Pathology Specialists published in the New Zealand Gazette, 11 December 2008, No. 192, page 5099.

Scope of Practice for Oral Pathology Specialists

Oral Pathology Specialists practise in the branch of pathology which deals with that nature of diseases affecting the oral, maxillofacial and adjacent regions.

Specialist Oral Pathology is undertaken by a dental practitioner who possesses additional postgraduate qualifications, training and experience recognised by the Dental Council as appropriate for registration.

Prescribed Qualifications

- MDS (Oral Pathology) University of Otago; or
- DClinDent (Oral Pathology) University of Otago; or
- an ADC accredited MDS or MDSc or DClinDent degree in Oral Pathology from an ADC accredited dental school in Australia; or
- two years or more of full time equivalent postgraduate training in the specialty at a recognised tertiary academic institution or equivalent; evidence of research activity; a pass in the New Zealand Oral Pathology Specialist Examination.

The following scope replaces the Scope of Practice for Orthodontic Specialists published in the New Zealand Gazette, 11 December 2008, No. 192, page 5099.

Scope of Practice for Orthodontic Specialists

Orthodontic Specialists practise in the branch of dentistry that is concerned with the supervision, guidance and correction of the growing and mature dentofacial structures and includes the diagnosis, prevention, interception and treatment of all forms of malocclusion of the teeth and associated alterations in their surrounding structures.

Specialist Orthodontics is undertaken by a dental practitioner who possesses additional postgraduate qualifications, training and experience recognised by the Dental Council as appropriate for registration.

Prescribed Qualifications

- MDS (Orthodontics) University of Otago; or
- DClinDent (Orthodontics) University of Otago; or
- an ADC accredited MDS or MDSc or DClinDent degree in Orthodontics from an ADC accredited dental school in Australia; or
- two years or more of full time equivalent postgraduate training in the specialty at a recognised tertiary academic institution or equivalent; evidence of research activity; a pass in the New Zealand Orthodontic Specialist Examination.

The following scope replaces the Scope of Practice for Paediatric Dentistry Specialists published in the New Zealand Gazette, 11 December 2008, No. 192, page 5099.

Scope of Practice for Paediatric Dentistry Specialists

Paediatric Dentistry Specialists practise in the branch of dentistry that is concerned with oral health care for children from birth through to adolescence. It includes management of orofacial problems related to medical, behavioural, physical or developmental disabilities. It may include management of adults with special needs.

Specialist Paediatric Dentistry is undertaken by a dental practitioner who possesses additional postgraduate qualifications, training and experience recognised by the Dental Council as appropriate for registration.

Prescribed Qualifications

- MDS (Paediatric Dentistry) University of Otago; or
- DClinDent (Paediatric Dentistry) University of Otago; or
- an ADC accredited MDS or MDSc or DClinDent degree in Paediatric Dentistry from an ADC accredited dental school in Australia; or
- two years or more of full time equivalent postgraduate training in the specialty at a recognised tertiary academic institution or equivalent; evidence of research activity; a pass in the New Zealand Paediatric Dentistry Specialist Examination.

The following scope replaces the Scope of Practice for Periodontic Specialists published in the New Zealand Gazette, 11 December 2008, No. 192, page 5099.

Scope of Practice for Periodontic Specialists

Periodontic Specialists practise in the branch of dentistry that is concerned with the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of diseases or abnormalities of the supporting tissues of the teeth or their substitutes.

Specialist Periodontics is undertaken by a dental practitioner who possesses additional postgraduate qualifications, training and experience recognised by the Dental Council as appropriate for registration.

Prescribed Qualifications

- MDS (Periodontics) University of Otago; or
- DClinDent (Periodontics) University of Otago; or
- an ADC accredited MDS or MDSc or DClinDent degree in Periodontics from an ADC accredited dental school in Australia; or
- two years or more of full time equivalent postgraduate training in the specialty at a recognised tertiary academic institution or equivalent; evidence of research activity; a pass in the New Zealand Periodontic Specialist Examination.

The following scope replaces the Scope of Practice for Prosthodontic Specialists published in the New Zealand Gazette, 11 December 2008, No. 192, page 5099.

Scope of Practice for Prosthodontic Specialists

Prosthodontic Specialists practise in the branch of dentistry that is concerned with diagnosis, treatment planning, rehabilitation and maintenance of patients with a range of clinical conditions involving missing or deficient teeth and/or craniofacial tissues, using biocompatible substitutes.

Specialist Prosthodontics is undertaken by a dental practitioner who possesses additional postgraduate qualifications, training and experience recognised by the Dental Council as appropriate for registration.

Prescribed Qualifications

- MDS (Prosthodontics) University of Otago; or
- DClinDent (Prosthodontics) University of Otago; or
- an ADC accredited MDS or MDSc or DClinDent degree in Prosthodontics from an ADC accredited dental school in Australia; or
- certificate in Prosthodontics from a three year programme CDA accredited dental school in the USA or Canada; evidence of research activity; or
- two years or more of full time equivalent postgraduate training in the specialty at a recognised tertiary academic institution or equivalent; evidence of research activity; a pass in the New Zealand Prosthodontic Specialist Examination.

The following scope replaces the Scope of Practice for Public Health Dentistry Specialists published in the New Zealand Gazette, 20 May 2005, No. 81, page 1927.

Scope of Practice for Public Health Dentistry (or Community Dentistry) Specialists

Dental Public Health (Community) Specialists practise in the branch of dentistry that is concerned with the science and art of preventing oral disease, promoting oral health and improving the quality of life through the organised efforts of society.

(NB Existing specialists may apply to the Council to retain the previous title if they wish.)

Specialist Public Health (Community) Dentistry is undertaken by a dental practitioner who possesses additional postgraduate qualifications, training and experience recognised by the Dental Council as appropriate for registration.

Prescribed Qualifications

- MComDent University of Otago; or
- an ADC accredited MDS or MDSc degree in Public Health Dentistry from an ADC accredited dental school in Australia; or
- two years or more of full time equivalent postgraduate training in the specialty at a recognised tertiary academic institution or equivalent; evidence of research activity; a pass in the New Zealand Public Health Dentistry Specialist Examination.

The following scope replaces the Scope of Practice for Special Needs Dentistry Specialists published in the New Zealand Gazette, 11 December 2008, No. 192, page 5099.

Scope of Practice for Special Needs Dentistry Specialists

Special Needs Dentistry Specialists practise in the branch of dentistry that is concerned with the oral health care of people adversely affected by intellectual disability, medical, physical or psychiatric issues.

(NB: Special needs specialists who wish to identify their particular expertise in hospital dentistry can apply to the Council to use the specialist title “Special Needs Dentistry (Hospital)”.)

Specialist Special Needs Dentistry is undertaken by a dental practitioner who possesses additional postgraduate qualifications, training and experience recognised by the Dental Council as appropriate for registration.

Prescribed Qualifications

- MDS (Special Needs) University of Otago; or
- DClinDent (Special Needs) University of Otago; or
- an ADC accredited MDS or MDSc degree in Special Needs Dentistry from an ADC accredited dental school in Australia; or
- two years or more of full time equivalent postgraduate training in the specialty at a recognised tertiary academic institution or equivalent; evidence of research activity; a pass in the New Zealand Special Needs Dentistry Specialist Examination.

Dental Council of New Zealand

Oral Health Practitioners (Fees) Amendment Notice 2009 (No.2)

Pursuant to sections 130-133 of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003, the following notice is given.

- 1. Title and commencement**—(1) This notice may be cited as the Oral Health Practitioners (Fees) Amendment Notice 2009 (No.2) and shall come into force on 7 January 2010.
(2) This notice has the status of a Regulation for the purposes of the Regulations (Disallowance) Act 1989
(3) This notice replaces the Oral Health Practitioners (Fees) Amendment Notice 2009 (No.1) notice published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, 19 March 2009, No. 2338, page 960.
- 2. Fees**—The Dental Council of New Zealand sets the following fees, payable to the council, specified in the attached Schedule.
- 3. Tax**—The fees are inclusive of goods and services tax.

SCHEDULE Fees Payable

Fees	\$¹
Registration Fees	
• For NZ qualified applicant	233.00
• By virtue of Trans Tasman Mutual Recognition (TTMR) applicant	406.00
• For overseas applicant with prescribed qualifications	579.00
• For applicant with non-prescribed qualifications applying under section 15(2) of the Act	1,837.00
• For applicant with non-prescribed specialist qualifications applying under section 15(2) of the Act	2,967.00
• Resubmission for Board Consideration under section 15(2) of the Act	1,770.00
• For applications for registration in an additional scope	198.00
• Request for Registration Advice	160.00
Annual Practising Certificates	
• Dentists and Dental Specialists	700.00
• Dental Hygienists and Dental Auxiliaries	595.00
• Orthodontic Auxiliaries	375.00
• Dental Therapists	632.00
• Dental Technicians	600.00
• Clinical Dental Technicians	750.00

¹ Fees are calculated on a cost recovery basis

Examination Fees

• Assessment of eligibility to enter the Dental Registration Examination process	450.00
• Subsequent Assessment of eligibility to enter the Dental Registration Examination process	192.00
• Clinical Examinations	
- Dentist	4,126.00
- Dentist resits	1,214.00
- Dental Therapist	4,665.00
• Written Examinations	
- Dental Therapist	2,204.00
• Specialist Examinations	
- Dentist	11,756.00
• Clinical/Written Combined Examinations	
- Dental Technician	2,339.00

Other Fees

• Restoration to Register	135.00
• Supply of Registration, Good Standing certificates or any other certificate signed by the Registrar	55.00
• Annual Register maintenance fee for non-practitioners	55.00