Health Board: NHS Ayrshire and Arran  
Hospital: Crosshouse Hospital  
Post Specifics: Dental Senior House Officer  
Rotations: Up to three posts rotating through oral and maxillofacial surgery, orthodontics and restorative dentistry. Each rotation lasts four months.

Programme Description

How to apply


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NHS Ayrshire & Arran has two principle District General Hospitals; Crosshouse Hospital, Kilmarnock and The Ayr Hospital, Ayr. The Oral and Maxillofacial Department forms part of the Head & Neck Directorate, along with ENT, Orthodontics and Restorative Dentistry services. The Directorate is part of the Planned Care Team within Integrated Care and Partner Services.

Oral and Maxillofacial services are provided to the Ayrshire & Arran catchment population of 375,000 residents.

The main base for this post is Crosshouse Hospital Kilmarnock where Oral and Maxillofacial in-patient and day case services are located. Out-patient Clinics are provided at both Crosshouse Hospital and The Ayr Hospital.

The scope of the service within Ayrshire includes:

- Dentoalveolar surgery. - This still constitutes the majority of the work carried out by the unit, which is mainly dealt with by the Associate Specialist, Specialty Doctor(s) and SHO's under supervision. The consultants also undertake dentoalveolar surgery in the day surgery unit.
- Orthognathic surgery. - A complete facial deformity service is provided, treating both acquired and congenital deformities.
- Trauma. Hard and soft tissue trauma of the face, jaws and neck is dealt with and a on call service is provided.
- Head and Neck Oncology and Reconstructive Surgery. - The department provides the maxillofacial input to the head and neck oncology and reconstruction service. This is carried out in conjunction with otolaryngology.
- Facial cancer. - The Oral and Maxillofacial department and dermatology departments have joint clinics on a monthly basis to allow the dermatologists to refer patients with facial cancer. It also enables the Oral and Maxillofacial Unit to refer interesting skin problems to the dermatologists.
- TMJ Disease and facial pain. - The department provides the Ayrshire service for this treatment.
- Implantology. - Implantology is available for the rehabilitation of both cancer and the congenital and acquired deformity patients.
- Oral Medicine. - The Ayrshire service is provided by the department.

The department staffing includes:

- Two Consultants in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
- Two consultant Orthodontists
- One consultant in restorative dentistry 0.3 wte
- One associate specialist in orthodontics 0.8wte
- One associate specialist in oral surgery
- Three specialty doctors in oral surgery 1.0 wte
Three senior house officers
One dental foundation year trainee
One medical student (on call only)
One GP with special interest (surgical dermatology)

Posts available/Rotations
Up to three posts available. Three posts rotate through OMFS and Orthodontics one of which includes restorative dentistry.

Duties
Duties include working under the supervision of senior staff to provide care for patients referred to the department. To attend consultant clinics and operating lists as necessary. To carry out on call duties under supervision. To be active in clinical audit, the application of evidence-based clinical practice and clinical governance. To engage in workplace assessments and update your e-portfolio.

Hours of Work
The working day commences with the 8.30 ward round. There is an on call rota of 1:6. The rota is EWTD compliant.

Study and Training
One session per week is allowed for personal study. Each post-holder will be assigned an educational supervisor at commencement of the post, who will provide support and facilitate the training and educational needs of the individual post-holder. The posts are recognised by the Royal College of Surgeons for the MFDS Examination. The library at Crosshouse contains a large number of dental and medical text books and journals to which the SHO has access.

Facilities
There are excellent facilities within Ayrshire. The department is a modern unit equipped with six dental surgeries, two consulting rooms and a recovery facility. There is an oral and facial laboratory on site. The SHOs have their own room with computer facilities. They will each be given an e-mail address. There is excellent secretarial and nursing back up and the department has excellent relationships with other specialties within the hospital allowing easy facilitation of patient treatment.

Conditions of Appointment
Health Questionnaires, Disclosure Scotland, References

Policies and Procedures