

DENTAL CORE TRAINING 2025/26

NHS Scotland

DCT4 Scotland - Public Dental Service Dumfries then Dumfries & Galloway Royal Infirmary OMFS & Oral Surgery

1.	Region (Deanery) Name	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NHS Scotland
2.	Title of post Type of Training & duration of post	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DCT4 Scotland - Public Dental Service Dumfries for 6 months then Dumfries & Galloway Royal Infirmary OMFS & Oral Surgery for 6 months
3.	Training unit/locations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This post is based within NHS Dumfries and Galloway health board. Six months will be at Dumfries and Galloway Royal Infirmary (DGRI). DGRI is a new hospital which opened in 2017. The following six months in PDS is based at Dumfries Dental Centre, which is a modern 18 surgery dental facility providing Special Care Dentistry and Dental Student Outreach and Dental Therapist training. It is the largest Outreach dental training facility in Scotland hosting 12 dental students per week.
4.	Rotational Post information and Duration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rotational September 2025 – March 2026 – Dumfries Dental Centre, Dumfries: Public Dental Service (PDS, also referred to as the Community Dental Service) March 2026 – August 2026 – Dumfries and Galloway Royal Infirmary: Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (OMFS) and Orthodontics Unit. Please note accommodation is provided free of charge within NHS hospital residences for this entirety of the post but must be declared to HMRC as taxable benefit. Accommodation is in shared flats with DCTs and other junior medical/healthcare staff.
5.	Full address of unit/s where training is based	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dumfries Dental Centre, Bankend Road, Dumfries, DG1 4AP Dumfries and Galloway Royal Infirmary, 2 Garroch Roundabout, Dumfries, DG2 8PS
6.	Travel Commitment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> During the PDS part of the placement, there may be a requirement to travel occasionally within the NHS Dumfries

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		and Galloway Board area to obtain a range of experience. There are no travel requirements for the OMFS part.
7.	Name of Educational Supervisor, if known	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will be confirmed with post-holder
8.	Contact details for Educational Supervisor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will be confirmed with post-holder
9.	Description of training post	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The DCT will undertake a range of PDS duties from September 2025 to March 2026. This will involve the provision of comprehensive dental care for registered paediatric and adult patients with additional needs and assessment and treatment of referred patients including management of dental anxiety. The DCT will also attend regular exodontia and comprehensive care theatre lists for patients with additional needs 2 weeks and will receive training and become an experienced operator-sedationist in inhalation sedation. Upon completion of the post, DCTs will have completed a logbook evidencing independent sedation provision for both children and adults. The post will also include regular domiciliary dental visits and opportunities to attend prison dental clinics, dental inspection of schoolchildren and both Outreach dental student and therapy student teaching clinics. There will also be a requirement to treat unregistered emergency patients from across the region with the option of participating in additional paid out of hours evening and weekend clinics. The second part of the post will be based in DGRI from March 2026 to August 2026. There is supervised training both in theatre and outpatients, the latter in both OMFS and oral surgery. General outpatient clinics see referrals from dental and medical practitioners, as well as the community and hospital services. The DCTs will have opportunity to perform biopsies on H&N clinics and participate in combined orthodontic/ Oral Surgery and Orthodontic/OMFS clinics. Involvement is encouraged in the management of these patients. There is excellent exposure to minor oral surgery, intravenous sedation and some orthodontics, with direct 1-to-1 mentoring and supervision . There is no out of hours on call for DCTs.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> During both placements, you will be supported by fantastic, experienced support staff and will be working within well-established and enthusiastic clinical teams and will have regular contact with other DCTs working in the departments. 	
10.	Suitable for Temporary Registrant?	YES	NO
11.	Primary Care element Performer Number required?	YES	NO
12.	Pattern of working including any on-call commitment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will be confirmed with post-holder 	
13.	Educational programme summary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a Scotland-wide education programme for Dental Core Trainees which is designed to match the DCT curriculum. The programme has four themes running through each year of Dental Core Training. These are: Clinical, Communication, Career Development Skills and Quality Improvement & Patient Safety. Posts begin with a local health board and NES induction, followed by face-to-face study events throughout the year, supported by Turas Learn. These events include all Dental Core Trainees in Scotland, as does the annual DCT conference. All trainees have access to study leave time (in line with terms and conditions of service) and budget. This is predominantly to fund attendance of DCTs at the compulsory NES Educational events, however funding may be available to contribute to the cost of other courses linked to an agreed PDP. DCT posts include time for self-directed learning and trainees are encouraged to use this time for personal study and to complete quality improvement projects. All DCTs, who have not worked in an Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery (OMFS) unit in Scotland previously, attend an additional two-day induction course known as Maxfacts. This course is designed to cover the essential skills for an OMFS DCT post and is delivered by OMFS consultants and senior trainees. The teaching is backed up by on-line resources which will be made available to DCTs prior to the Maxfacts course. 	

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	Employment Details	
14.	Employer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NHS Education for Scotland (NES)
15.	Contact email for applicant queries referring to post	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recruitment Query - HR Trainee Services - Jira Service Management
16.	Link to relevant webpages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.nes.scot.nhs.uk/our-work/dental-core-training/