

DENTAL CORE TRAINING 2026/27

NHS Scotland

1.	Region (Deanery) Name	Scotland
2.	Title of post Type of Training & duration of post	Dental Hospitals, General Hospitals or Public Dental Service in Scotland DCT4 2 x 6 month rotations or 12 months
3.	Training unit/locations	A range of posts will be specified in post descriptors during the course of the recruitment process. These will offer posts at a range of locations in Scotland
4.	Rotational Post information and Duration	Posts may be 2 x 6 month rotations or a 12 month post September 2026 – September 2027
5.	Full address of unit/s where training is based	Individual Post Descriptors will provide specific locations of available posts to rank
6.	Travel Commitment	There will be a requirement to travel within the NHS board area in order to obtain a range of experience.
7.	Name of Educational Supervisor, if known	tbc
8.	Contact details for Educational Supervisor	tbc
9.	Description of training post	The posts will run from September 2025 to September 2026. As a DCT you will have opportunities to gain experience working in one or more dental specialty areas and participate in a range of clinics as part of the timetable. Posts may have opportunities on student teaching and may also include opportunities for within OMFS Units which may include on call.

10.	Suitable for Temporary Registrant?		No
11.	Primary Care element Performer/List Number required?	Will be required for any post within the	Public Dental Service
12.	Pattern of working including any on-call commitment	<p>Posts NOT in an OMFS Units will be Monday – Friday</p> <p>Posts in OMFS Unit working patterns will vary and will be detailed in the specific post descriptors. These posts may or may not include on call and will be detailed.</p>	
13.	Educational programme summary	<p>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.</p>	
Employment Details			
14.	Employer	Public Services Delivery Scotland (PSD Scotland)	
	Placement Board	To Be Confirmed in individual post descriptors	

15.	Contact email for applicant queries referring to post	https://nesdigital.atlassian.net/servicedesk/customer/portal/30/group/121/create/591
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16.	Link to relevant webpages	https://www.nes.scot.nhs.uk/our-work/dental-core-training/
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