

DENTAL CORE TRAINING 2025/26

NHS ENGLAND WT & E – SCOTLAND

**Public Dental Service, Inverness, UHI House and Robertson Health Centre,
Alness and Raigmore Hospital Oral Surgery**

1.	Region (Deanery) Name	Scotland
2.	Title of post Type of Training & duration of post	Public Dental Service Inverness UHI House then Raigmore Hospital Oral Surgery DCT4 12 months
3.	Training unit/locations	This post is based within NHS Highland in Inverness UHI House and Robertson Health Centre, Alness PDS and Raigmore Hospital in Inverness.
4.	Rotational Post information and Duration	Rotational Sept 25 – March 26 – Public Dental Service. UHI Houses, Inverness March 26- August 26 Raigmore Hospital Oral Surgery Department, Inverness
5.	Full address of unit/s where training is based	Raigmore Hospital and UHI Houses, Old Perth Rd, Inverness IV2 3UJ Robertson Health Centre, High Street, Alness IV17 0UN Plus other PDS clinics within NHS Highland to maximise training opportunities.
6.	Travel Commitment	There will be a requirement to travel within the NHS Highland 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

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9.	Description of training post	<p>The DCT will undertake a range of PDS duties including domiciliary visits, management of medically compromised and special care patients, paediatric dentistry and treatment of routine patients within GDS terms and conditions. The DCT will receive training in inhalation sedation, participate in regular intravenous sedation sessions, and participate in special care and paediatric GA lists.</p> <p>The Raigmore component of the post offers a unique opportunity to gain experience in oral surgery where the trainee will have the opportunity to treat patients under GA and LA. The trainee will participate in the visiting Maxillofacial surgery service as well as the virtual oral medicine clinics.</p> <p>The DCT may have the opportunity to present QI projects and lead discussions at the regular trainee discussion groups with fellow trainees, senior dentists and hospital staff where you will be given evaluation which will contribute to your portfolio.</p>	
		<p>The aim is to make the opportunities in the DCT1 posts in NHS Highland dynamic and tailored to suit the needs of the post-holder wherever possible. Previous post holders have taken the opportunity to be involved with clinical supervision and curriculum development in the BSc in Oral Health Sciences at the University of the Highlands and Islands or to become involved in the dental service for homeless persons, and similar opportunities will be factored into your work plan where possible.</p>	
10.	Suitable for Temporary Registrant?		NO
11.	Primary Care element Performer/List Number required?	YES	
12.	Pattern of working including any on-call commitment	Monday to Friday. No on call	

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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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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> <p>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 made available to DCTs prior to the Maxfacts course</p>
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	Employment Details	
14.	Employer	NHS Education for Scotland (NES)
	Placement Board	NHS Highland
15.	Contact email for applicant queries referring to post	https://nesdigital.atlassian.net/servicedesk/customer/portal/30/group/121/create/591
16.	Link to relevant webpages	https://www.nes.scot.nhs.uk/our-work/dental-core-training/