



POST DESCRIPTION FOR
SPECIALTY REGISTRAR IN RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY
BASED AT
ABERDEEN DENTAL HOSPITAL & INSTITUTE OF DENTISTRY

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A Specialty Registrar training post in Restorative Dentistry is available based at Aberdeen Dental Hospital & Institute of Dentistry. This post has the approval of the Postgraduate Dental Dean and the programme has been recognised by the Specialist Advisory Committee for a five-year training programme leading to the eligibility to sit the Intercollegiate Fellowship Examination in Restorative Dentistry.

1 ABERDEEN AND SURROUNDING AREA

With a population of approximately 250,000, Aberdeen stands between the Rivers Dee and Don. This historic city has many architectural splendours, and the use of its sparkling local granite has earned Aberdeen the name of the Silver City. Recognised as the oil capital of Europe, Aberdeen nevertheless retains its old-fashioned charm and character making it an attractive place in which to live.

Aberdeen enjoys excellent communication services with other British cities - e.g. flying time to London is just over one hour with multiple flights daily; road and rail links to all points north and south are excellent.

Well known for its superb quality of life, Aberdeen enjoys first class amenities including theatres; art galleries and museums; and high-quality sporting facilities such as Aberdeen Sports Village. The surrounding area includes Royal Deeside, the Cairngorm National Park and other areas of outstanding natural beauty.

THE UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN

The University of Aberdeen was founded in 1495 and is considered one of the UKs ancient universities. It maintains an outstanding record in scholarship and supports a high level of teaching and learning underpinned by a first class portfolio of research programmes.

THE ROBERT GORDON UNIVERSITY

The Robert Gordon University has earned wide recognition for its pragmatic approach to higher education both in Scotland and internationally.

For generations it has produced qualified professionals across a broad spectrum of careers in the arts, management, engineering, sciences, pharmacy, health and the professions allied to medicine.

2 DESCRIPTION OF HOSPITALS, Foresterhill Health Campus, Aberdeen

Aberdeen Dental Hospital & Institute of Dentistry comprises the University of Aberdeen's Institute of Dentistry; NHS secondary care dental services including Restorative Dentistry, Orthodontics and Oral Surgery; and primary care services for patients including Special Care Dentistry and Paediatric Dentistry. These are all co-located on the same site in a purpose-built, state-of-the-art institution. The Aberdeen Dental Education Centre postgraduate teaching facility and an outreach teaching facility for Dundee Dental School also forms part of the building.

The accommodation includes a radiology department with dedicated Cone Beam CT, separate technical production laboratories for Restorative Dentistry and Orthodontics, together with teaching and seminar rooms which include a state of the art clinical skills facility. Clinical areas for Restorative Dentistry, Orthodontics, Paediatric Dentistry, Oral Surgery and Special Care Dentistry, including sedation facilities, exist along with three undergraduate teaching clinics.

The Institute of Dentistry has an intake of twenty students per year and the BDS degree is taken over four years. All of the students already hold a high-class degree in one of the biomedical sciences.

Aberdeen Royal Infirmary, Foresterhill, with a complement of 900 beds, is the principal adult acute teaching hospital of the Grampian Area providing a complete range of medical and surgical specialties. Aberdeen Royal Infirmary is a major trauma centre. Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery are based in the ARI.

Royal Aberdeen Children's Hospital, together with the Neonatal Unit in Aberdeen Maternity Hospital, provides all specialist care for children in the Grampian Region and the Orkney and Shetland Islands.

Aberdeen Maternity Hospital is the main Maternity Hospital for the area. It has both ante-natal and post-natal beds.

The Foresterhill Health Campus also accommodates the National Hyperbaric Centre, the Medical School, the Institute of Medical Sciences, the Rowett Institute of Nutrition and Health and the Suttie Centre, a dedicated facility for the training of health professionals. The site therefore represents one of the biggest hospital campuses in Europe.

3 DEPARTMENT OF RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY

The Restorative Dentistry Team provides specialist services throughout the Grampian, Orkney and Shetland Health Board areas, serving a population base of approximately 630,000.

The Restorative Dentistry Department has eight dedicated surgeries, all equipped to a very high standard. The Department provides advice and treatment planning for general dental practitioners and the public dental service. In addition, it supports the activity of other specialities within the Trust.

4 Work of the Department

The full range of procedures in Restorative Dentistry is carried out in a fully integrated manner. All aspects of Endodontics, Periodontics, Fixed and Removable Prosthodontics, including Maxillofacial Prosthodontics, and Implant Dentistry are performed.

Combined Clinics

As a result of the location of regional and sub-regional medical and surgical specialties in Aberdeen, the Restorative Department has significant involvement in the provision of tertiary services. This collaboration results in the Restorative Dentistry Department being involved in the care of patients with varying and complex treatment needs.

Aberdeen is a regional centre for managing patients with cleft lip and palate, in addition to carrying out all orthognathic surgery for the region. It is also the regional centre for head and neck oncology and a multidisciplinary Head and Neck Cancer clinic is held each week.

Regular combined clinics also take place between Restorative Dentistry, Orthodontics and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery with a broad case mix including hypodontia, cleft lip and palate, and facial deformity. Many challenging multi-disciplinary cases are undertaken. In addition, a monthly implant clinic is held with Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery for the planning of complex cases, for example those requiring extensive bone grafting following surgery or trauma.

The Department is also actively engaged in teaching, including in the provision of Section 63 courses for general dental practitioners and clinical training for visiting Specialty Registrars from Dundee and junior staff. Research facilities are available and active collaboration and support is available from colleagues in the University and Dundee Dental School and Hospital.

As part of the North of Scotland Restorative Network, the Department currently runs peripheral clinics in Orkney and Shetland. This has involved teaching and training GDPs in Orkney and Shetland to enhance their restorative dentistry skills so that they can provide intermediate complexity restorative dental treatment. The Department also has a peripheral joint Restorative/Orthodontic Clinic in Elgin.

5 Entry Requirements

Candidates must hold a registerable dental degree (BDS or equivalent) together with MFDS/MFD/MJDF or show equivalence. Applicants will be expected to provide evidence of their competence to communicate in English.

6 Award of the

Certificate of Completion of Specialist Training

On appointment, the trainee will be given a National/Visiting Training Number (NTN/VTN) and a provisional date for award of the CCST in Restorative Dentistry. This date will be subject to confirmation by the Specialist Advisory Committee in Restorative Dentistry. Award of CCST will be determined upon successful completion of the training including passing the Intercollegiate Fellowship Examination in Restorative Dentistry.

7 The Staff in Restorative Dentistry

Consultants

Dr Dean Barker	(NHS Consultant)
Dr George Cherukara	(Honorary Consultant)
Mr Martin Donachie	(NHS Consultant and Clinical Director)
Prof Richard Ibbetson	(Hon Consultant and Interim Director of the Institute of Dentistry)
Mr Will Keys	(NHS Consultant)
Mr Sam Rollings	(NHS Consultant)
Vacant post	(Honorary Consultant)

Other staff within the hospital service includes a part-time specialty dentist; visiting Specialty Registrars from Dundee Dental Hospital; two DCT2/3 dentists; two rotational DCT1 dentists and a Dental Hygienist. There is excellent Dental Nurse support and a dedicated Departmental Secretary.

The Restorative Dentistry production laboratory has six Dental Technicians. All technical work covering the disciplines of fixed and removable prosthodontics, implant-retained prostheses, and intra-oral and extra-oral maxillofacial prosthetics is carried out. Scanning facilities are available. There are separate dedicated Maxillofacial and Orthodontic laboratories, each staffed by three technicians.

Additional academic staff are in place and continue to be recruited as part of the Dental School development programme.

8 Dundee Dental School and Hospital

A strong relationship exists between the Department and Restorative Dentistry at Dundee Dental Hospital. Specialty Registrars from Dundee rotate to Aberdeen as part of their training and this arrangement will be reciprocated to maximise training opportunities and potential. It is expected that the trainee will spend one day per week in Dundee for part of the training programme.

9 The Post

This post provides a five-year programme of specialist training in Restorative Dentistry based on the Curriculum for Specialist Training in Restorative Dentistry. Towards the end of the programme the trainee will be expected to sit the Intercollegiate Specialty Fellowship

Examination in Restorative Dentistry. Upon successful completion of the programme, and after passing the ISFE examination, the trainee will be eligible for the award of a CCST in Restorative Dentistry and for inclusion on the Specialist List.

Performance assessments and reviews (ARCP) are carried out at the six-month point and thereafter, annually, by the Specialty Training Committee (STC), as outlined in the Dental Gold Guide. Trainees are required to keep a logbook, following the requirements laid down by the Royal Colleges and the Scottish Specialty Training Committee for Restorative Dentistry.

The Training Programme Director for Restorative Dentistry for the North-East of Scotland is Dr Pauline Maillou, based at Dundee Dental School and Hospital.

9.1 Duties.

- (i) Attendance at Consultant clinics and the care of patients as directed by the Consultants in Restorative Dentistry
- (ii) Such administrative duties and clinical activities as may be required in connection with patient care and the general running of the department, including audit, research and supervision of Core Trainees and DCP staff
- (iii) Participation in undergraduate and postgraduate education
- (iv) Participation in continuing education for training grade staff, postgraduate students, general dental practitioners and dental care professionals
- (v) Join with other Specialty Registrars on a local and national basis for journal club meetings, postgraduate meetings, training and education conferences, and courses as appropriate.
- (vi) StRs are expected to attend locally and nationally organised Specialty Registrar study days. They should also participate in appropriate seminars and journal clubs on a regular basis.
- (vii) StRs will be expected to travel to other Units within and outwith Grampian Health Board area as part of their training.

9.2 Timetable

The session allocation will reflect the SAC recommendations for specialist training programmes, i.e. 60% clinical, 25% academic and 15% research.

9.3 Research

The trainee will be strongly encouraged to complete research work suitable for publication in a peer-reviewed journal. Various opportunities for research exist and will be dependent on the successful candidate's background.

10 Conditions of Service

Your hours of duty will be the standard working week of 40 hours for which you will receive a standard salary (as detailed in paragraph 8b, Appendix 1 of the Terms and Conditions of Service, appended under general information).

11 Further Information

In the first instance, please contact:

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