

DENTAL CORE TRAINING 2026/27

NHS Scotland

Forth Valley OMFS, Oral Surgery and Orthodontics 12 months

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"> Forth Valley OMFS, Oral Surgery and Orthodontics 12 months
3.	Training unit/locations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This post is based within NHS Forth Valley based at Forth Valley Hospital.
4.	Rotational Post information and Duration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forth Valley Hospital Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (OMFS) Oral Surgery Orthodontics
5.	Full address of unit/s where training is based	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forth Valley Royal Hospital, Stirling Road, Larbert, FK5 4WR
6.	Travel Commitment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There may be a requirement to travel within the NHS Forth Valley and Lanarkshire Health Boards in order to obtain a range of experience.
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"> If you are keen to expand your knowledge of OMFS and develop your skills in minor oral surgery, then NHS Forth Valley provides the perfect opportunity. You will learn in a supportive environment, with experienced and motivated staff. Hands on experience will be gained under LA, GA and IV sedation, with supervision and training from senior staff. There are 3 all-day general anaesthetic operating lists each week with a full range of complex dentoalveolar surgery, orthognathic surgery, management of trauma and skin cancer as well as head and neck malignancy and salivary gland surgery. There are daily local anaesthetic sessions in addition to 3 IV Sedation lists throughout the week. Outpatient clinics run daily, encompassing specialist Head and Neck Oncology, Trauma, Facial Deformity and Orthognathic, and joint Oral Surgery and OMFS/ Orthodontics MDT clinics.
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The DCTs are supported on the ward by medically qualified Foundation Doctors for inpatient management of elective and unscheduled care. There are also 5 Specialty Doctors, 2 Consultants in Oral Surgery, and 3 OMFS Consultants in FVRH.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DCTs take part in a weekly rota which includes attendance at ward rounds and theatre lists as well as supporting outpatient clinics and gaining hands on training with minor oral surgery as above. The DCTs are daytime bleep holders as first on call for emergency cases, averaging one day per week. There is one full session allocated for study/admin, with DCTs encouraged to participate and lead in Quality Improvement work, supported by senior staff. The unit also believes in supporting motivated DCTs in building their CVs for future career pathways, with active encouragement to present at national and international conferences There is a bimonthly Clinical Governance Meeting, with DCTs participating in presenting audits/QI projects and interesting cases. Regular teaching sessions take place within the department, which cover OS/OMFS as well as external speakers from other specialties such as pathology, haematology, orthodontics and ophthalmology. <p>Orthodontics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Orthodontic department is situated in Forth Valley Royal Hospital. It is positioned in Out-patients, adjacent to Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and the Public Dental Service. All aspects of Orthodontic care are provided within the department, with patients being referred by Specialist Orthodontic Practitioners and General Dental Practitioners. The department primarily provides treatment for complex cases which require multi-disciplinary care e.g. patients with hypodontia, ectopic teeth, cleft-lip and palate, requiring jaw surgery or with complex medical needs. Joint clinics are held locally between Orthodontics and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, providing all aspects of surgical care. Additionally, colleagues from Greater Glasgow and Clyde attend regularly to work with the Forth Valley Consultants providing Joint Orthodontic-Restorative clinics and Multi-disciplinary Cleft lip and palate clinics in Forth Valley. Three Orthodontic Consultants work within the department, supported by 2 Orthodontic therapists, 2 Dental hygienists, a Specialty Registrar and a Team of Dental nurses. There is an on-site laboratory staffed by 2 fully trained Dental technicians.
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The department is involved in the training of Orthodontic Specialty Registrars in Scotland, providing a District general base. Consultants within the department participate in the Scotland Wide Orthodontic Training Programme. There are four well-appointed dental surgeries within the Orthodontic department. All are fitted with IT terminals to facilitate a near fully digital way of working. Patient records are held electronically, and intra-oral scanners are used routinely. The department has two dedicated cameras to facilitate clinical photography. Dolphin is used for photographic archiving and Cephalometric analysis. The department is situated near the Radiology department which provides Dental imaging. This post will provide the DCT opportunity to attend the Orthodontic department 3 sessions per week. They will attend treatment sessions, allowing the chance to gain hands on orthodontic treatment experience, e.g. adjusting fixed appliances. There will be new patient clinics to build on diagnosis and treatment planning skills. There will also be opportunity to attend joint orthodontic-surgical planning clinics, which will complement their role in the Oral and Maxillofacial surgery department, providing a breadth of experience in this area. The post-holder will also be invited to attend Multi-disciplinary Cleft and Orthodontic- Restorative clinics as they occur throughout the year. The Orthodontic department has an active quality improvement programme, with regular Clinical governance sessions. The DCT will be supported and encouraged to participate in departmental projects and to present and disseminate their work. 	
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 No overnight on call commitment	

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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.
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/

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