

NHS Education for Scotland

Specialty Training Registrar in Orthodontics

**Dundee Dental Hospital and Research School / Broxden Dental
Centre Perth**

Job Profile

SPECIALTY TRAINEE IN ORTHODONTICS

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A specialty trainee (ST) post in Orthodontics is available commencing September 2025. The post is for 5 years (run through training) as follows and is based at Dundee Dental Hospital & School (8 sessions) with 2 sessions at the Broxden Dental Centre in Perth. It may be possible to rotate to another district general hospital in the final two years of the programme and therefore the provisional timetable shown below will be subject to revision.

Dundee Dental Hospital & Research School

Dundee Dental Hospital & School is situated on the University precinct and close to the city centre. There are five clinical floors consisting of open clinics and closed surgeries with approximately 100 dental chairs. The hospital is linked to the Dundee Dental Education Centre, which includes a Postgraduate Centre, a 38-place clinical skills laboratory and variety of office accommodation.

The Orthodontic Department is situated on the fifth floor, which is shared with Paediatric Dentistry. There is a core of experienced dental nurses with several having completed the NES Certificate in Orthodontic Nursing. The Orthodontic Laboratory has six technicians providing an unprecedented level of service. Dental Hygienist / Therapist support is available for several sessions and a Medical Photographer records all the clinical images on a digital system. Administrative support is provided by a dedicated team. A cone-beam CT scanner is available in Radiology, a 3D model scanner within the Orthodontic Laboratory, an intra-oral scanner on the Orthodontic Clinic and a 3D facial imaging system within the University.

A comprehensive range of malocclusions are managed with a bias towards multi-disciplinary treatment. There are joint clinics with Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Restorative Dentistry and Paediatric Dentistry and there is routine liaison with Oral Surgery for patients requiring minor oral surgery. Patients with Cleft Lip and Palate are treated at Dundee Dental Hospital within the Scottish Managed Clinical Network for patients with clefts (Cleft Care Scotland).

There is one University Department of Dentistry, with Units representing the different specialties. These groupings are reflected in the Dental Hospital where the clinical disciplines are organised into Clinical Sections within the NHS Tayside Integrated Dental Service. The Dental School has an annual target intake of 68 undergraduate students. There is also a three-year BSc course in Dental Therapy and Hygiene with 10 students per year. There are several core training posts for training towards the DCT curriculum.

Orthodontic and Craniofacial research at the University of Dundee Dental School are both deemed to be internationally excellent with aspects having been recognised as world leading. Our research strategy is aligned along the following themes:

1. Population Health Sciences (including Dental Health Services Research and Evidence Based Dentistry)
2. Cariology (including Dental Health Services Research and Evidence Based Dentistry)
3. Craniofacial abnormalities (incorporating the WHO Collaborating Centre for Craniofacial Anomalies and Technology Transfer)
4. Oral Cancer - with contributions to the Dundee Cancer Centre

There are therefore multiple research opportunities in areas such as cleft lip and palate, 3D imaging and clinical trials in orthodontics.

Broxden Dental Centre

Broxden Dental Centre is 25 miles west of Dundee Dental Hospital & School. The Orthodontic Department consists of 2 surgeries, a laboratory and office space. The unit has 2 Dental Nurses, 1 Orthodontic Technician and 2 Administrative staff with radiographic and photography facilities.

Orthodontic Staff

Consultants

Dr E Dunbar	Consultant / Clinical Lead	0.6 wte
Dr AE Cord	Consultant / Training Programme Director	0.8 wte
Professor GT McIntyre	Consultant	w/t contract
Dr G Pye	Consultant	0.8 wte
Dr D Murray	Locum Consultant	0.8 wte

Academic Staff

Professor PA Mossey	Professor / Hon Consultant	w/t contract
Dr G Sivamurthy	Clinical Lecturer/Hon Consultant	w/t contract
Dr E Chalmers	Clinical lecturer/Hon Specialty Dentist	0.6 wte

Non-Consultant Staff

1 Associate Specialist	0.6 wte
1 Specialty Dentist	0.4 wte
Post-CCST ST	1.0 wt (shared with Perth)
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Specialty Trainee	1.0 wt (shared with Fife)
Specialty Trainee	1.0 wt (shared with Perth-this post)
Dental Core Trainee	0.2 wte
Therapist / Hygienist	0.8 wte

Duties of the Post

Provisional Timetable

am	Research	Dundee (Treatment)	Dundee (Treatment)	Perth (Treatment)	SWOP teaching
pm	Dundee (Clinic)	Dundee (Treatment)	Dundee (Treatment)	Perth (New patient clinic)	Study/Admin

Clinical Effectiveness Meetings: Regular Clinical Effectiveness Meetings are held by the Orthodontic Department in Dundee, encompassing Audit Meetings, Journal Clubs and Section Meetings. The appointee will be expected to actively participate in all these activities.

Teaching: There will be opportunities to participate in the teaching of undergraduate BDS and BSc (Dental Therapy) students.

Administration: The Training Grade Staff in Dundee Dental Hospital have an informal group and nominate representatives for the Clinical Practice Committee and Area Dental Advisory Committee among others.

Education and Training

The post is recognised by NHS Education for Scotland for the provision of ST training and by the Royal Colleges for entry to the Membership Diplomas. The post provides formal and informal training through the Scotland-Wide Orthodontic Programme (SWOP) for ST and instruction in orthodontics including technical laboratory and typodont work. Generic in-house training, training in Health Service Management and external specialty courses utilising study leave are available during the course of the post. Regular meetings of the British Dental Association, Dundee Dental Club and the Tayside Society for the Study of Orthodontics are held locally.

The successful post holder will have a named Educational Supervisor who will set educational objectives, develop an educational programme in conjunction with the ST, undertake educational appraisal and provide support throughout the ST programme. Educational progress is monitored using formative workplace-based assessments and summative assessments are undertaken through annual in-house appraisals and the Annual Record of Competency Progression (ARCP) process run by the NES Specialist Training Committee for Orthodontics.

Additional information

Conditions of Service: The post is covered by the Terms and Conditions of Service for Hospital Medical and Dental Staff and by the General Whitley Council Conditions of Service where appropriate. For all new entrants to the National Health Service, a medical examination will be required prior to confirmation of the appointment.

Tenure: The Specialty Trainee will be allocated a Scottish National Training Number guaranteeing, subject to satisfactory progress, a continued place on a training programme.

Hepatitis B Status: It is NHS Tayside and NHS Grampian policy that prospective employees involved in exposure prone procedures submit laboratory evidence of freedom from Hepatitis B or immunity to Hepatitis B ***prior to their commencement date*** and at appropriate up-dates during the course of employment. Non-responders to the vaccine and those in whom the vaccine is contra-indicated for medical reasons must provide laboratory evidence of freedom from infection. Failure to provide the required information will delay commencement.

No Smoking Policy: In recognising the danger to health of smoking, NHS Scotland has implemented a smoking ban throughout all premises including all areas within the boundaries of NHS properties. There are no circumstances in which employees are permitted to smoke on the premises.

Equal Opportunities: NHS Tayside is an equal opportunities employer and all employees and potential employees will be treated equally and fairly and decisions on recruitment, selection, training and personal development will be based solely on objective and job related criteria, irrespective of their gender, age, race, disability, background, sexuality and religion.

Registration: Prospective applicants are required to be fully registered with the General Dental Council.

Transport: Full driving licence is required or the ability to arrange alternative transport to meet the requirements of the post.

Application information

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