

DENTAL CORE TRAINING 2026/27

NHS Scotland

Crosshouse Hospital (OMFS)

1.	Region (Deanery) Name	Scotland
2.	Title of post Type of Training & duration of post	DCT3 – 12-month post
3.	Training unit/locations	This post is based within NHS Ayrshire & Arran at Crosshouse Hospital with on-call duties
4.	Rotational Post information and Duration	Not rotational
5.	Full address of unit/s where training is based	Crosshouse Hospital, Kilmarnock Road, Crosshouse, KA2 0BE
6.	Travel Commitment	There will be a requirement to travel within the Board area in order to obtain a range of experience
7.	Name of Educational Supervisor, if known	Will be confirmed with post-holder
8.	Contact details for Educational Supervisor	Will be confirmed with post-holder
9.	Description of training post	<p>The OMFS unit remit includes management of facial deformity and trauma, dentoalveolar surgery, management of cutaneous and oral cancer, orthognathic surgery, oral medicine, TMJ disease and facial pain.</p> <p>As a DCT your role will be varied and you will help support outpatient clinics, local anaesthetic lists for dentoalveolar and surgical dermatology and general anaesthetic cases and management of emergent care. You will work within our team of Consultants, Registrars and Specialty Doctors. You will participate in our on-call rota and develop clinical and non-clinical skills and knowledge within the scope of OMFS practice. Weekend on-call is 1:6.</p> <p>Trauma: Hard and soft tissue trauma of the face, jaws and neck is dealt with and an on call service is provided</p> <p>Head and Neck Oncology and Reconstructive Surgery: The department provides the maxillofacial input to the head and neck oncology and reconstruction service. This is carried out in conjunction with otolaryngology, with microvascular surgery at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow.</p> <p>Facial cancer: A large remit of the OMFS department is skin cancer management. We work closely with our Dermatology, Oncology and Pathology colleagues.</p> <p>TMJ Disease and facial pain: The department provides the Ayrshire service for this treatment</p> <p>Oral Medicine: The Ayrshire service is provided by the department</p>

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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	You will participate in our on-call rota and develop clinical and non-clinical skills and knowledge within the scope of OMFS practice. Weekend on-call is 1:6.	
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. 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.</p>	
Employment Details			
14.	Employer	NHS Education for Scotland	
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/ 	