

DENTAL CORE TRAINING 2026/27

NHS Scotland

Forth Valley Hospital OMFS and Oral Surgery then Glasgow Dental Hospital Paediatric Dentistry

1.	Region (Deanery) Name	Scotland
2.	Title of post Type of Training & duration of post	DCT3 – Rotational 2 x 6-month posts
3.	Training unit/locations	OMFS Department, Forth Valley Royal Hospital Department of Paediatric Dentistry, Glasgow Dental Hospital and School with sessions at the Royal Hospital for Children, Glasgow (RHCG)
4.	Rotational Post information and Duration	2 x 6 month rotations September 2026 – March 2027 in Forth Valley Hospital Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and Oral Surgery March 2027 – August 2027
5.	Full address of unit/s where training is based	Forth Valley Royal Hospital, Stirling Road, Larbert, FK5 4WR Glasgow Dental Hospital and School, 378 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow G2 3JZ Royal Hospital for Children, 1345 Govan Rd, Glasgow. G51 4TF
6.	Travel Commitment	There is a requirement to travel within the NHS Forth Valley Health Board and NHS Lanarkshire areas. There is a requirement to travel to hospitals in the Greater Glasgow Health Board area to attend a variety of clinics.
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	The first placement in this post from September 2026 to March 2027. Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery is based at Forth Valley Royal Hospital (FVRH). 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. DCTs who have completed IACSD sedation

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		<p>training will be prioritised to complete their required sedation cases.</p> <p>Outpatient clinics run daily, encompassing specialist Head and Neck Oncology, Trauma, Facial Deformity and Orthognathic, and joint Oral Surgery and OMFS/ Orthodontics MDT clinics.</p> <p>The DCTs are supported on the ward by medically qualified Foundation Doctors for inpatient management of elective and unscheduled care. There are also 5 Speciality Doctors, 2 Consultants in Oral Surgery and 3 OMFS Consultants in FVRH.</p> <p>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 holder 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</p> <p>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> <p>The second placement in this post from March 2027 to August 2027 is ideally suited to anyone interested in Paediatric Dentistry. The Paediatric Department within Glasgow Dental Hospital and School may offer clinical experience in the following: new patient assessment; treatment sessions, including inhalation sedation; dental accident and emergency; dental trauma management; and multidisciplinary clinics. Clinical time will also be spent within RHCG where DCTs may gain experience in new patient assessment and treatment of medically complex children and the in-/ out-patient care of children requiring priority dental care, including those with oncology, haematology and cardiac diagnoses.</p>	
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	No overnight or weekend on call commitment	

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13.	Educational programme summary	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 made available to DCTs prior to the Maxfacts course.
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/