



DENTAL CORE TRAINING 2025/26

NHS Scotland

1.	Region (Deanery) Name	NHS Scotland
2.	Title of post Type of Training & duration of post	 DCT1 Scotland - Public Dental Service Forth Valley for 6 month then Forth Valley Hospital OMFS & Oral Surgery for 6 months
3.	Training unit/locations	• This post is based within NHS Forth Valley. Six months will be at Falkirk Community Hospital (FCH) PDS. The following six months will be in NHS Forth Valley at Forth Valley Royal Hospital.
4.	Rotational Post information and Duration	 Rotational September 2025 – March 2026 – Base is Falkirk Community Hospital, Falkirk: Public Dental Service (PDS, also referred to as the Community Dental Service). Travel across other sites will be required and these include Clackmannanshire Community Healthcare Centre and Forth Valley Royal Infirmary, (In addition St Ninian's Dental Clinic, Stirling and Langlees Dental Clinic, Falkirk as required) March 2026 – August 2026 Forth Valley Hospital, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (OMFS)
5.	Full address of unit/s where training is based	 NHS Forth Valley Public Dental Service Clinics, Westburn Avenue, Falkirk, FK1 5QE. Forth Valley Royal Hospital, Stirling Road, Larbert, FK5 4WR
6.	Travel Commitment	• There will be a requirement to travel within the NHS Forth Valley Board 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	 The DCT1 will undertake a range of PDS duties from September 2025 to March 2026. These duties may include dental inspection of schools, undergraduate outreach clinics, domiciliary care, care of patients who have additional needs or require special care, and paediatric dentistry. There will also be opportunities to receive training in inhalation sedation and there may be opportunities to participate in GA lists.



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	•	The Forth Valley part of the post will commence in March 2026 to August 2026. Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery is based at Forth Valley Royal Hospital. 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 training will be prioritised to complete their required sedation cases.
	•	Outpatient clinics run daily, encompassing specialist Head and Neck Oncology, Trauma, Facial Deformity and Orthognathic, and joint Oral Surgery and OMFS/ Orthodontics MDT clinics.
	•	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.
	•	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
	•	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





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		 speakers from other specialties such as pathology, haematology, orthodontics and ophthalmology. The current overnight on call is based at Forth Valley with additional cover for NHS Lanarkshire. The rota is currently 1:5 non-resident but it is under active review, and this will most likely change to reduce the overnight on call commitment before this post starts. FVRH currently takes admissions from both NHS Forth Valley and NHS Lanarkshire, Monday to Thursday and solely from Forth Valley at weekends. The current on call is fully supported by the West of Scotland specialist registrars and Forth Valley and Lanarkshire consultants. It is recommended that you reside within a 30-minute travel time radius from your on-call base 		
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	• Wil	l be confirmed with pos	t-holder
13.	Educational programme summary	De DC run The De Sa ind thre eve doe acc cor to f Ed to c agi lea for pro Ma	ntal Core Trainees wh T curriculum. The pro- ining through each year ese are: Clinical, Corrivelopment Skills and C fety. Posts begin with uction, followed by fac- oughout the year, supplet ents include all Dental es the annual DCT corrively and the annual DCT corrively and fund attendance of DC ucational events, how contribute to the cost of reed PDP. DCT posts rning and trainees are personal study and to jects. All DCTs, who fin xillofacial Surgery (ON	Quality Improvement & Patient a local health board and NES ce-to-face study events borted by Turas Learn. These Core Trainees in Scotland, as ference. All trainees have the (in line with terms and d budget. This is predominantly Ts at the compulsory NES ever funding may be available of other courses linked to an include time for self-directed encouraged to use this time complete quality improvement have not worked in an Oral &





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		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 (NES)
15.	Contact email for applicant	<u>Recruitment Query - HR Trainee Services - Jira Service</u>
	queries referring to post	<u>Management</u>
16.	Link to relevant webpages	 <u>https://www.nes.scot.nhs.uk/our-work/dental-core-training/</u>