

NHS Education for Scotland

Specialty Trainee in Oral Surgery

Dundee Dental Hospital and School

Job Profile

SPECIALTY TRAINING REGISTRAR IN ORTHODONTICS

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A specialty trainee (ST) post in Oral Surgery is available commencing September 2025. This is a full-time post in an established training programme within NHS Tayside. The post is for 4 years and is based mainly at Dundee Dental Hospital & School. Some elements of training will involve treating patients in other units within Tayside – these include Ninewells Hospital, Stracathro Hospital, Perth Royal Infirmary and Broxden Dental Centre.

The post offers the opportunity to undertake a full-time training programme in the specialty of Oral Surgery based on the Curriculum for Specialist Training in Oral Surgery, leading to the award of a CCST. The curriculum for core training in Oral Surgery is available on the General Dental Council website www.gdc.org

The post holder will be expected to:

- Participate fully in training
- Participate in clinical or other service activities e.g. meetings, service development
- Undertake quality improvement, clinical audit and participate in clinical governance activities
- Will have the option to pursue research or other original work as time allows

The Training Programme:

This programme has been recognised by the Specialist Advisory Committee in Oral Surgery for a up to 4 year training period leading to eligibility to sit the Tricollegiate Membership in Oral Surgery examination. The post has approval from the Postgraduate Dental Dean and a National Training Number will be awarded to the appointee. All Oral Surgery trainers in NHS Tayside are on the specialist list. There is no out of hours or on call commitment. Training will also be provided by Consultants in related dental specialties.

The programme will comprise on a weekly basis approximately eight clinical sessions, with the remainder being allocated for study, research, quality improvement, administration and didactic teaching.

Performance assessments and reviews (ARCP) are carried out at the six month point and thereafter annually, by the Specialty Training Committee (STC), as outlined in the Dental Gold Guide.

Dundee Dental Hospital & 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.

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 a number of core training posts for training towards the Dental Core training curriculum.

The research strategy at the dental school 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

The Oral Surgery Department

The Department of Oral Surgery is situated on the first floor, which is shared with Oral Medicine, Dental A&E and Radiology. Administrative support is provided by a dedicated team.

The department of oral surgery at Dundee dental hospital is busy and manages large numbers of referrals from primary care practitioners. A variety of clinics are delivered routinely– consultation clinics, biopsy, MOS and Sedation clinics. Patients requiring treatment under general anaesthetic are managed off-site at Ninewells Hospital, Perth Royal Infirmary and Stracathro Hospital. There is a dedicated dysplasia clinic. There is the opportunity to be involved in multidisciplinary teams, eg the head and neck oncology clinic, joint working/treatment planning with orthodontics and paediatric dentistry. Implantology and bone grafting work is also delivered for cases requiring more complex rehabilitation. We also work very closely with the department of oral medicine. The clinical area consists of 11 individual/closed clinics with facilities for provision of minor oral surgery with and without sedation alongside a recovery area. Our services are supported by state-of-the-art services in Oral Microbiology and Pathology and by our Radiology service with access to Cone Beam CT scans carried out on site. Ultrasound and other imaging modalities are available in other hospitals within the health board.

Oral Surgery Staff

NHS Consultants

Dr S Sammut	Consultant // Training programme director	1.0 wte	
Dr A Wright	Consultant		0.5 wte

Academic Staff

Dr M Macluskey	Senior Lecturer and Honorary Consultant	1.0 wte	
Dr S Shepherd	Senior Lecturer and Honorary Consultant	1.0wte	
Dr A Pilley	Clinical lecturer	0.6wte	

Non-Consultant Staff

Dr K McBay	Specialist in Oral Surgery	0.9wte	
Dr S Reilly	Specialty Dentist in Oral Surgery	1.0wte	
Vacancy under recruitment	Specialty Dentist in Oral Surgery		
		0.5wte	

Trainees

Specialty Trainee

1.0 wte (this post)

Dental Core Trainees

10 rotational posts, but 1.0wte dedicated CT2 in Oral surgery/Oral Medicine

Duties of the Post

Provisional Timetable

am	Study	IV Sedation	MOS	1:4 GA Perth Royal Infirmary 1:4 GA childrens theatre NWs 2:4 Consultation clinic	GA Ninewells/ Stracathro Or Broxden
pm	Oral Medicine	MOS	SPA	MOS/Cons clinic alt. weeks	GA Ninewells/ Stracathro Or Broxden

Clinical Effectiveness Meetings: Regular Clinical Effectiveness Meetings are held by the Department of Oral Surgery in Dundee, encompassing morbidity and mortality, Audit updates and clinico-pathological case conferences. The appointee will be expected to actively participate in all these activities.

Teaching: There will be opportunities to participate in the teaching and assessment of undergraduate BDS and BSc (Dental Therapy) students. There will also be the opportunity to teach/mentor dental core trainees.

Education and Training

The post is recognised by NHS Education for Scotland for the provision of specialty training and by the Royal Colleges for entry to the Membership Diplomas.

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 6-monthly in-house appraisals and the Annual Record of Competency Progression (ARCP) process run by the NES Specialist Training Committee for Oral Surgery.

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 Training Registrar 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 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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