

DENTAL CORE TRAINING 2026/27

NHS Scotland

Public Dental Service UHI House, Inverness and Robertson Health Centre, Alness/ Raigmore Hospital Oral Surgery

1.	Region (Deanery) Name	Scotland
2.	Title of post Type of Training & duration of post	Public Dental Service Inverness UHI House and Robertson Health Centre, Alness then Raigmore Hospital Oral Surgery DCT1 12 months
3.	Training unit/locations	This post is based within NHS Highland in UHI House and Raigmore Hospital in Inverness
4.	Rotational Post information and Duration	Rotational September 2026 – March 2027 Public Dental Service, UHI House, Inverness March 2027 – August 2027 Raigmore Hospital Oral Surgery Department, Inverness
5.	Full address of unit/s where training is based	Robertson Health Centre, High Street, Alness IV17 0UN Plus other PDS clinics within NHS Highland to maximise training opportunities. Raigmore Hospital and Inverness Dental Centre, UHI House, Old Perth Road, Inverness, IV2 3JH
6.	Travel Commitment	There will be a requirement to travel within NHS Highland Board in order to obtain a range of experience.
7.	Name of Educational Supervisor, if known	tbc
8.	Contact details for Educational Supervisor	tbc
9.	Description of training post	The DCT will undertake a range of PDS duties including domiciliary visits, management of medically compromised and special care patients, paediatric dentistry and treatment of routine patients within GDS terms and conditions. The trainee will receive training in inhalation sedation, participate in regular intravenous sedation sessions, and participate in special care and paediatric GA lists. The Raigmore component of the post offers a unique opportunity to gain experience in oral surgery where the trainee will treat patients

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		under GA and LA. The DCT will participate in the visiting Maxillofacial surgery service as well as the virtual oral medicine clinics. There is the opportunity to participate in Orthodontic clinics, where there will be the prospect to gain experience in the use of removable, functional and fixed appliances under consultant guidance. DCTs will also attend new patient diagnostic clinics.	
10.	Suitable for Temporary Registrant?		NO
11.	Primary Care element Performer Number required?	YES	
12.	Pattern of working including any on-call commitment	Monday – Friday No on-call commitment	
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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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>	

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	Employment Details	
14.	Employer	NHS Education for Scotland (NES) NHS Highland
15.	Contact email for applicant queries referring to post	Recruitment Query - HR Trainee Services - Jira Service Management
16.	Link to relevant webpages	www.nes.scot.nhs.uk/our-work/dental-core-training/