

Page 2: Information about the person or organisation completing this submission

Q1 This submission was completed by:

Name Bettina Schmid

Q2 Are you making this submission

as a registered practitioner

Q3 Please tell us which part of the sector your submission represents

a registered dental hygienist

Page 3: Area one: new core recertification programme

Q4 What, if anything, do you like about our proposed core recertification programme?

Respondent skipped this question

Q5 Is there anything about our proposed core recertification programme you would change?

Yes,

Please explain.:

We already spent extensive hours including each year outside of work hours often at our own expense on further education for which I have to at times to travel to other centres since not enough local education is available Many of us are employed and not self employed . I am unsure as to how many lines of work other then health care make this a requirement . I am currently spending almost 10% of my income (as part time employee)on memberships ,insurance CPD etc. At my guess at least 85% of hygienists are women. Many work part time . I can see merit in the knowledge based versus point based system but am not keen on the proposed assessment process unless the assessment immediately follows the course attended

Q6 Do you support our proposal to change the No, recertification cycle to 12 months? Please explain.: a 2 year cycle with enable the clinician to spread courses over a longer period. There may be a year where not so many courses of interest are available. Some of us for various reasons prefer to attend local courses. We all at times will have to deal with life events outside of our career that may require our commitment and meeting the required CPD in a 12 month period may put undue pressure on those already challenged .A 24 months cycle allows for a greater spread Q7 Do you think our proposed core recertification No. programme should include a requirement for Please explain .: practitioners to complete an online open-book I would only welcome this if the assessment was done assessment of their technical and clinical knowledge immediately following the course like for example the and skills? Colgate webinars or otherwise make it 5 years **Q8** If a proposal about an online open-book **Every five** assessment of a practitioner's technical and clinical years skills and knowledge is supported, how often should Please explain.: practitioners be required to complete an assessment? my comment is answered in question 7 Q9 Do you have other proposals about our proposed Respondent skipped this question core recertification programme you would like us to consider? Please explain. Page 4: Area two: support for new registrants Q10 What, if anything, do you like about our draft Respondent skipped this question proposals for supporting new registrants? Q11 Is there anything about the draft proposals for Please explain .: supporting new registrants you would change? I welcome mentoring which I have received for approx. 2 years Q12 Do you think the proposed two year minimum just right period for the mentoring relationship is:

Yes

Q13 Do you think all new registrants should participate

in a mentoring programme, or are there some new registrants who should not be required to participate in

a mentoring programme?

Phase two consultation on recertification

Q14 Do you have other proposals about supporting new registrants you would like us to consider? Please explain.

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: Area three: addressing health-related competence decline concerns

Q15 What, if anything, do you like about our draft proposals for addressing health-related competence decline concerns?

vision testing is a good idea

Q16 Is there anything about the draft proposals for addressing health-related competence decline concerns you would change?

Respondent skipped this question

Q17 Do you have other proposals for addressing health-related competence decline concerns you would like us to consider? Please explain.

Respondent skipped this question

Page 6: Area four: addressing recurring non-compliant practitioner behaviours

Q18 What, if anything, do you like about our draft proposals for addressing recurring non-compliant practitioner behaviours?

Respondent skipped this question

Q19 Is there anything about the draft proposals for addressing recurring non-compliant practitioner behaviours you would change?

No

Q20 Do you have other proposals for addressing recurring non-compliant practitioner behaviours you would like us to consider? Please explain.

Respondent skipped this question

Page 7: Final thoughts and comments

Q21 Do you have any other comments, suggestions or information you want to share with us about the draft proposals for improving our approach to recertification?

Respondent skipped this question