

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

Q1 This submission was completed by:

Name

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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 therapist

Page 3: Area one: new core recertification programme

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

I agree with proposals for Core Recertification

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

Yes

Q6 Do you support our proposal to change the recertification cycle to 12 months?

Yes

Q7 Do you think our proposed core recertification programme should include a requirement for practitioners to complete an online open-book assessment of their technical and clinical knowledge and skills?

Yes

Q8 If a proposal about an online open-book assessment of a practitioner's technical and clinical skills and knowledge is supported, how often should practitioners be required to complete an assessment?

Every two years

Q9 Do you have other proposals about our proposed core recertification programme you would like us to consider? Please explain.

Is there any consideration in the recertification process for those with an APC for non clinical practice and still working in oral health care environments or is recertification only for those in clinical practice?

Page 4: Area two: support for new registrants

Q10 What, if anything, do you like about our draft proposals for supporting new registrants?

Mandatory support requirement is good however, 2 year mandatory is a significant period of time to commit resourcing to.

Q11 Is there anything about the draft proposals for supporting new registrants you would change?

Yes,

Please explain.:

More detail required about support for new registrants and how that might be set up eg full mentorship, oversight, formal requirement, informal requirement a staged approach to new registrant mentoring?

Q12 Do you think the proposed two year minimum period for the mentoring relationship is:

**too ,
long**

Please explain.:

More detail required - possibly a staged and signed off approach over a 2 year period with first 6 months being more formal and closely mentored followed by less formal mentoring by oversight if agreed performance has been met.

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?

Yes

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?

Respondent skipped this question

Phase two consultation on recertification

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

Yes,

Please explain.:

Eye exam should be a standard requirement for all practitioners - not age related A Health Declaration is important for public safety. Currently mandatory when employed by DHB but not necessarily so in private practice. See below. Hep B immunity can drop off at any time putting practitioner and patients at risk.

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

A health declaration including Musculoskeletal, psychosocial, hearing, vision, general health, transmissible diseases evidence should be part of the process for assurances the public are not at risk. Time-framed for completion every 2 years by the registrant.

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?

Agree

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

Yes,

Please explain.:

A definition of "serial and multiple " is required - ie more than once, twice etc

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?

Is there any consideration in the recertification process for those with an APC for non clinical practice and still working in oral health care environments.