ENTRY CRITERIA

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA	WHEN EVALUATED ⁱ		
Qualifications			
Applicants must have:			
BDS or equivalent dental qualification recognised by the General Dental Council			
Eligibility			
Applicants must:	Application form		
Be eligible for registration with the GDC by the time of appointment ⁱⁱ	Interview/selection		
Be eligible to work in the UK	centre		
 Have the ability to travel to sites as required in order to fulfil the requirements of the whole training programme. 			
Fitness to practise			
 Is up to date and fit to practise safely and is aware of own training needs. 	Application form		
 Satisfactory enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check in England a& Wales / Disclosure Scotland (PVG) in Scotland / Access NI in Northern Ireland or equivalent 	References		
Language skills			
Applicants must have demonstrable skills in written and spoken English, adequate to enable effective communication about dental topics with patients and colleagues; as demonstrated by one of the following:	Application form Interview/selection		
undergraduate dental training undertaken in English;	centre		
 academic International English Language Testing System (IELTS) results showing a score of at least 7.0 in each domain (speaking, listening, reading, writing),with an overall score of at least 7.5, to be achieved in a single sitting and within 24 months of the time of application 			
If applicants believe they have adequate communication skills, but do not have evidence in one of the above forms, they must provide alternative supporting evidence of language skills			
Health			
Applicants must:	Application form		
 Meet professional health requirements (in line with GDC Standards for the Dental Team). 	Pre-employment		
 Be physically and mentally capable of conducting procedures over several hours which demand close attention. 	health screening		
Career progression			
Applicants must:	Application form		
Be able to provide complete details of their employment history	Interview/selection		
Have evidence that their career progression is consistent with their personal circumstances	centre		
Have evidence that their present level of achievement and performance is commensurate with the totality of their period of training			
 Have notified the Training Programme Director of the Specialty Training Programme they are currently training in if applying to continue training in the same specialty in another region^{iv}. 			
 Not have previously relinquished or been released / removed from a specialty training programme, except under exceptional circumstances^v. 	t		
• Not already hold, nor be eligible to hold, a CCST in the specialty applied for and/or must not currently be eligible for the specialist register in the specialty applied for.			
Application completion			
ALL sections of application form completed FULLY according to written guidelines.	Application form		

SELECTION CRITERIA

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA	DESIRABLE CRITERIA	WHEN EVALUATED
Quali		
As above	 Be eligible for Full registration with the GDC by the time of appointment ⁱⁱⁱ MFDS / MJDF or equivalent at the time of application Other degrees held at time of application e.g. BSc, MSc, PhD or Dip/MSc in sedation 	Application form Interview/selection centre
Career p	progression	
 As above Has evidence of achievement of Foundation competences from a UK Dental Foundation training programme or equivalent Demonstrates the competencies required at the end of UK Dental Core training year 1 at the time of interview and year 2 at the time of post commencement (or equivalent) Commitment to the specialty with clear career objectives On a NHS primary care organisation Performance List or able to meet requirements for listing when training/post involves primary care placement that requires listing 	 Has evidence of experience in more than one dental specialty/clinical setting On a NHS primary care organisation Performance List or able to meet requirements for listing Has evidence of undertaking appropriate courses commensurate with career progression and intentions 	Application form Interview/selection centre
Clinical skills – clinical		
 Demonstrates good patient care skills 		Application form
 Capacity to apply sound clinical knowledge and judgement to problems Ability to prioritise clinical need 		Interview/selection centre References
 Demonstrates appropriate technical and clinical competence and evidence of the development of diagnostic skills and clinical judgement 		
Academic an	d research skills	
 Understanding of the principles and relevance of research in evidence-based practice 	 Evidence of relevant academic and research achievements, e.g. degrees, awards Publications Conference presentations/posters 	Application form Interview/selection centre
Audit: Audit:		
 Demonstrates understanding of the principles of audit/clinical governance/quality improvement 	 Evidence of leading at least one audit with 2 completed audit cycles 	
Evidence of participation in audit/service evaluation		

ES	SENTIAL CRITERIA	DESIRABLE CRITERIA	WHEN EVALUATED
		Teaching:	
		 Evidence of delivering undergraduate or postgraduate teaching, or teaching Dental Care Professionals 	
		 Teaching qualification e.g. PG Certificate in Education, or other teaching training 	
	Perso	nal skills	
Cor	nmunication skills:		Application form
•	Capacity to communicate effectively and sensitively with others		Interview/selection centre
•	Able to discuss oral health options with stakeholders in a way they can understand		
IT s	kills		
•	Demonstrates good information technology skills		
Pro	blem solving and decision making:		
•	Capacity to think beyond the obvious, with analytical and flexible mind, bringing a range of approaches to problem solving		
•	Demonstrates effective judgement and decision-making skills		
Em	pathy and sensitivity:		
•	Capacity to take in others' perspectives and treat others with understanding; sees patients as people		
•	Demonstrates respect for all		
Mar	naging others and team involvement:		
•	Capacity to work effectively in a multi- disciplinary team		
•	Demonstrate leadership, when appropriate		
•	Capacity to establish good working relationships with others.		
Org	anisation and planning:		
•	Capacity to manage time and prioritise various tasks and commitments, balance urgent and important demands, follow instructions		
Vigi	ilance and situational awareness:		
•	Capacity to monitor and anticipate situations that may change rapidly		
Cop	bing with pressure and managing uncertainty:		1
•	Demonstrates flexibility, decisiveness and resilience		
•	Capacity to operate effectively under pressure and remain objective in highly emotive/pressurised situations		
•	Awareness of own limitations and when to ask for help		

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA	DESIRABLE CRITERIA	WHEN EVALUATED
Probity – profe		
 Takes responsibility for own actions Demonstrates honesty and reliability Demonstrates respect for the rights of all Demonstrates awareness of ethical principles, safety, confidentiality and consent 	 Demonstrates altruism – evidence of the ability to attend to the needs of others with an awareness of their rights and equal opportunities 	Application form, Interview/selection centre
Awareness of importance of being the patients' advocate, clinical governance and the responsibilities of an NHS employee		

SPECIALTY SPECIFIC CRITERIA		
ESSENTIAL CRITERIA	DESIRABLE CRITERIA	WHEN EVALUATED
Commitment to specialty – lea	arning and personal development	
 Working knowledge of NHS health services Understanding of the breadth of public health issues Understanding the role of dental public health within the wider health service and beyond 	 Understanding of trends in health and healthcare provision Understanding of Clinical Governance 	Application form Interview/selection centre
Qualifications	 Postgraduate qualification in Dental Public Health or Public Health e.g. MSc in DPH, Diploma in DPH, MPH 	Application form
 Evidence of experience of clinical activity in more than one sector of dental service provision (e.g. hospital, salaried and general dental service). 	 Clinical experience beyond that provided by Foundation and Core training (or equivalent). SHO post or equivalent in DPH or previous experience of DPH Evidence of involvement in oral health promotion/preventive dentistry Experience of committee work 	Application form Interview/selection centre
Personal skills		
 Evidence of leadership potential Ability to influence and express themselves effectively in groups or one to one 	Aptitude in epidemiological methodsDemonstrable interest in quality assurance	Application form Interview/selection centre
• Demonstrates skills in written English sufficient to enable effective communication about medical and dental topics with public, patients and colleagues		
Demonstrates numeracy		

i. 'When evaluated' is indicative, but may be carried out at any time throughout the selection process.

ii. Time of appointment refers to the date at which the post commences.

iii. Can be used as shortlisting criterion

iv. The Support for Application to another region form, signed by the Training Programme Director of their current Specialty Training Programme confirming satisfactory progress must be submitted to the recruitment office at time of application.

 Applications will only be considered if applicants provide a Support for Reapplication to a Specialty Training Programme form, signed by both the Training Programme Director/Head of School and the Postgraduate Dean in the Local Office/Deanery that the training took place. Extraordinary circumstances may be defined as a demonstrated change in circumstances, which can be shown on the ability to train at that time and may include severe personal illness or family caring responsibility incompatible with continuing to train. Completed forms must be submitted at the time of application. No other evidence will be accepted.