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City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma in Dental Nursing

OVERVIEW

• What does this qualification cover?

This qualification covers the technical knowledge and skills that learners will need in order to confirm their competence when working as a Dental Nurse in an oral healthcare setting. All units in this qualification are mandatory and cover the following areas:

- First aid essentials
- Reducing the risk to health and safety in the dental setting
- The role and responsibilities of a dental nurse
- Prepare and maintain environments, instruments, and equipment for clinical dental procedures
- Principles of infection control in the dental environment
- Provide chairside support for the assessment of patients’ oral health
- Contribute to the production of dental images
- Provide chairside support for the prevention and control of periodontal disease and caries and the restoration of cavities
- Provide chairside support for the provision of fixed and removable prostheses
- Provide chairside support for non-surgical endodontic treatment
- Provide chairside support for the extraction of teeth and minor oral surgery
- Provide information and support to individuals on the protection of their oral health
- Assessment of oral health and treatment planning
- Dental radiography
- Management of oral health diseases and dental procedures

All learners will complete all the mandatory units in order to acquire the technical knowledge and skills needed to operate as Dental Nurses. This qualifications meets the requirements of the General Dental Council.

This is a Framework qualification.

• Who is this qualification designed for?

This qualification is designed for learners who wish to work as Dental Nurses in oral healthcare settings and is suitable for learners who are least 16 years of age.
WHAT COULD THIS QUALIFICATION LEAD TO?

Learners who have complete this qualification will be able to register with the General Dental Council, the UK regulator for the sector, and will be able to work as Dental Nurses in oral healthcare settings.

WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFICATION?

This qualification is supported by the following employers:

Sheffield Teaching Hospitals
Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals
Smile Dental Care Clinic
Lozells Road Dental Practice
Warwick Road Dental Surgery