

Additional Course Description

This 3 day course is designed to provide the theoretical knowledge for Dental Nurses to confidently deliver oral health messages and apply topical fluoride varnish to adults and children on prescription from a Dentist. In addition, the course aims to ensure dental nurses are ready to support patients and the dental team when the new prevention led NHS contract is implemented.

The GDC states that Dental Nurses may apply fluoride varnish to the prescription of a dentist or direct as part of a structured dental health programme.

The practical skills for this competency will be achieved through the support, training, advice and observation from a GDC registered Dentist or Hygiene Therapist who will act as the Dental Nurse work-based clinical mentor.

To achieve competency delegates will be required to:

- Complete 10 work-based reflective logs (confirmed as a safe beginner by an occupationally competent mentor).
- Create and evaluate a workplace display relating to oral health.
- Achieve a satisfactory pass mark in all session assessments.

Dental Nurse applicants must ensure they have personal , employer or Crown indemnity in place to undertake this course and be up to date with basic life support training. You may be required to produce this evidence upon request.

The Award in Oral Health Promotion and Fluoride Application will be issued subject to satisfactory completion of the work-based reflective logbook, completion of a workplace display and theoretical summative knowledge assessments.

The work-based reflective logbook MUST be completed by and brought to the third course session date.

The course Tutors reserve the right to withhold a Certificate if it is deemed that the appropriate level of competence necessary was not achieved.

Any false declarations of competence and experience will be viewed as very serious and may be referred to the dental regulator.