



## Annex J: T Level Technical Qualification in Health guidance – specific to Dental Nursing

The Dental Nursing occupational specialism has some key differences in the delivery of the placement and the responsibilities of providers.

Providers must adhere to the mandatory requirements detailed in the *NCFE CACHE Guidance for Dental Nursing Occupational Specialism Approval and Annual Monitoring Reviews* document, as well as the DfE's *T Level Industry placements: delivery guidance*, except in the following circumstance, where the NCFE CACHE guidance takes precedence.

DfE Industry Placement Guidance	Page ref	NCFE CACHE Guidance for Dental Nursing	Page ref
Behaviours and attitudes in the workplace	Pg 15	The GDC expect tutors and supervisors of trainees who undertake work-based training to be aware of the <b>GDC guidance and apply the principles of professionalism and appropriate behaviour in the workplace setting.</b>	Pg 6
Annex E: Industry placement agreement template	Pg 67	student contract (example Appendix D).	Pg 36
Student work-readiness assessments	Pg 13	student contract (example Appendix D).	Pg 36
Workplace mentor	Pg 33	2.2 Work-based supervising registrant list	Pg 8

### Additional requirements in relation to industry placement duration for Dental Nursing

For the Dental Nursing occupational specialism, students are required to complete a minimum of 600 hours industry placement. This can be increased to up to 900 hours. This

is a flexible industry placement element to enable providers to increase the industry time depending on the students' needs.

To facilitate comprehensive Dental Nurse training, students must have exposure to a wide variety of clinical experiences to ensure they develop a wide breadth of knowledge and skills in primary dental care; therefore, a suitable placement must be sought.

Industry placement experience will be reviewed during the annual monitoring review (AMR) process. More information on this can be found within the provider approval and AMR guidance.

## **Additional requirements in relation to Industry placement assessment**

The following assessment takes place in the industry placement setting:

- Structured Observation (SOA)

The student is required to complete 2 practical observations followed by 4 post-observation questions each, whilst working with real-life patients. The industry placement setting is required to support the student in finding and gaining consent from a suitable patient.

The following assessment requires the students' mentor at the industry placement setting to complete witness testimonies:

- E- journal (EJA)

The purpose of the e-journal element is to support students' continual professional development (CPD) and provide them with a means of evidencing how they have met all 12 General Dental Council (GDC) learning outcomes. The e-journal includes a personal development plan (PDP), a CPD log and a reflective journal that they must use and complete on an ongoing basis to evidence where they have demonstrated the required GDC skills and knowledge.

The e-journal reflective accounts must be supported with further pieces of evidence to also support in demonstrating where they have met the required GDC learning outcomes. Where a student has demonstrated these knowledge and skills within the industry placement setting, a witness testimony must be completed by the students' mentor.

Further guidance can be found in the T Level Technical Qualification in Health Occupational specialism assessment (OSA) Dental Nursing Tutor guidance document.