

Duties of a Dental Core Trainee in a Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

In-patient duties:

- Clerk routine and emergency admissions and obtain consent where appropriate.
- Undertake the management of patients under the supervision of senior staff.
- Assist the Consultant and other staff in theatres.
- Keep medical notes up to date.
- Keep Consultant and other senior staff regularly informed regarding patient management and progress.
- Prepare for and attend ward rounds promptly and suitably dressed.
- Check results of any tests requested (e.g. haematology, biochemistry, etc.).

On-call duties:

- There will be different on-call arrangements in the various Trusts. These will be detailed in the individual Trust post descriptions on Oriol.

Out-patient duties:

- Attend clinics promptly as rota indicates.
- Undertake minor oral surgery under local anaesthetic and IV sedation as directed (up to level of experience).
- Attend orthodontic and restorative clinics under the direction of the Consultant when possible.
- Attend A&E promptly when on-call at their request.

Other Duties:

- Attend departmental and regional educational and audit meetings.
- Maintain departmental records promptly and accurately.
- Work together with colleagues within the hospital and in general practice to provide quality patient care.
- Cover colleagues at short notice in moments of need (e.g. staff illness).

Dental Foundation Trainees who progress to a hospital post usually find their year a very rewarding experience and an excellent stepping stone to a career in general practice or further dental core training and specialist training appointments.