Practice Specification for Health Education England – Midlands and East Dental Foundation Therapist Training Practices 2019-20

ONE Foundation Therapist in practice

TWO Foundation Therapists in practice

(A ne	ew practice i	is not	able i	to appl	y for .	2 tra	inees ii	n the	first y	year.)	

SURGERIES	(A new practice is not able to apply for 2 trainees in the first year.)
Registered with Care Quality Commission and with all CQC markers identified as 'good'	Registered with Care Quality Commission and with all CQC markers identified as 'good'
A surgery to be available for at least 21 hours each week. Availability to be spaced evenly throughout the week in normal working hours	Two surgeries to be available for at least 28 hours each week during term time and 35 hours for other working weeks. Availability to be spaced evenly throughout the week in normal working hours.
Surgery size at least 9 sq metres	Each surgery size at least 9 sq metres, one of the surgeries at least 12 sq metres
Equipment to be suitable for seated close support dentistry	Equipment to be suitable for seated close support dentistry
Equipment standard to be good, with high standards of maintenance.	Equipment standard to be good, with high standards of maintenance
Full range of instrumentation and materials available for wide range of treatment (see application form for itemised lists)	Full range of instrumentation and materials available for wide range of treatment
Practice compliance with 'Essential Quality Requirements' of Health Technical Memorandum 01-05 (HTM 01-05)	Practice compliance with 'Essential Quality Requirements' of Health Technical Memorandum 01-05 (HTM 01-05)
STAFFING	
Experienced, registered, trained nursing staff involved in education and learning to be available for the Foundation Therapist at all times	Experienced, registered, trained nursing staff to be available for the Foundation Dentist(s) at all times. All staff throughout the practice to have evidence of good involvement in Foundation Therapist education and learning
Good, capable and efficient reception and management staffing with evidence of involvement in Foundation Dentist education and learning	Good, capable and efficient reception and management staffing, with evidence of high levels of involvement in Foundation Dentist education and learning
Sufficient staffing levels throughout the practice to allow for flexibility in cases of illness or holiday	Sufficient staffing levels throughout the practice to allow for flexibility in cases of illness or holiday

Presence of another dentist, able and prepared to provide supervision of the Foundation Dentist in the practice at times when the Educational Supervisor is not present	Presence of ES and/or other clinicians with evidence of suitable involvement and experience in Dental Foundation (Vocational) Training and learning, in practice at all times for support of Foundation Therapists.
Evidence of regular staff meetings, with records and outcomes for action	Evidence of regular staff meetings, with records and outcomes for action
Appraisal system in practice / Staff records	Appraisal system in practice / Staff records
NHS CONTRACT	
Evidence of NHS contract within practice covering all Mandatory Services	Evidence of substantial NHS contract within practice covering all Mandatory Services
PATIENTS	
Evidence of sufficient patients available for Foundation Therapist at the start of the training year	Evidence of sufficient patients available for two Foundation Therapists at the start of the training year
Evidence of good supply of new patients for Foundation Therapist	Evidence of good supply of new patients for two Foundation Therapists
Evidence of varied and wide range of treatment needs for patients	Evidence of varied and wide range of treatment needs for patients.
EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES	
Practice library of books, journals and CD ROMs	Practice library of books, journals and CD ROMs
Space to allow uninterrupted tutorial teaching with sufficient educational aids	Space to allow uninterrupted tutorial teaching for three people with sufficient educational aids
Computer available for educational purposes with facility to load educational software	One or more computers available for educational purposes with facility to load educational software
Broadband internet connection available in surgery for use by Educational Supervisor and Foundation Therapist	Broadband internet connection available in surgery for use by Educational Supervisor and Foundation Therapists
CLINICAL RECORDS	
Evidence of good clear clinical records for all patients	Evidence of good clear clinical records for all patients
Evidence of Medical History recording for current clinical records	Evidence of Medical History recording for current clinical records
Evidence of good quality radiographs, well stored in easily accessible manner with full documentation	Evidence of good quality radiographs, well stored in easily accessible manner with full documentation

AUDITS	
Evidence of all audits required by legislation and regulation	Evidence of audits covering many aspects of practice activity
Evidence of team involvement in use of audits within the practice	Evidence of team involvement in use of audits within the practice
ENVIRONMENT	
Evidence of a welcoming, safe practice environment	Evidence of a welcoming, safe practice environment
Evidence of good communication throughout the practice team with an overall practice commitment to learning	Evidence of good communication throughout the practice team with an overall practice commitment to learning