**Ethical Obligations**

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**Regulation**

As a healthcare professional you will encounter a myriad of ethical dilemmas, some which will be clear cut and others are not so. Dentists can find themselves in situations that are difficult to unravel. The GDC principles 1 through to 9 are all relevant for dentists in promoting ethical principles. The Care Quality Commission require dentists and their teams to uphold sound ethical values. Regulation 9 -13, 15-20 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) Regulations 2014 are relevant and applicable to this unit on ethical obligations.

You will need to find out about regulations and ethical requirements to be met by dentists working in primary dental care. Please ensure you have researched and understand current good practice in ethical behaviour and how your practice meets the fundamental standards expected from its team members. Involve your Education Supervisor as well as the wider dental team to help you gather the information you require. The exercises provide you with a suggested set of questions that are prompts to trigger your thoughts and feelings on this unit. You do not have to use the same questions, and you may come up with alternative questions for yourself to produce your very own reflective account that has sufficient detail to demonstrate requirements. Please refer to the guidance. Your write up must give sufficient detail to show your understanding with reference to multiple pieces of practice evidence of various form such as: pictures, policies, protocols, forms, audits, records, etc.



**Supporting Evidence Examples**

* ethical dilemma encounter examples and discussion of learning
* anonymous patient records to show application of ethical principles
* analysis of practice documents on ethical standards
* a significant event analysis



GDC - Principles 1-9 DFT Curriculum 16.2, 18.1 CQC - Health and Social Care Act Regulation 9-13, 15-20

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You have an understanding of the guiding ethical principles for dentists, and can demonstrate ethical behaviour outside the workplace.

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