

# Scottish Dental Vocational Training Recruitment Update

Applications for start date 2024



# Why not consider becoming a Vocational Trainer?

- Eligible to apply four years after completion of own VT
- Associates are eligible to train
- Applicants should be based in the GDS
- Personal and professional benefits of mentoring a new colleague
- An opportunity to expand your own professional network
- Recognised benefits the process can bring to your own practice
- WORKFORCE

# Key recruitment dates

- Applications open on Dental Portal 16/10/23 @ 10am
- New Trainer applications close 8/12/23 @ noon
- Existing Trainer applications close 29/1/24 @ noon
- Application Outcomes notified Early April 2024
- VDPs appointed Early June 2024
- VDP's commencement date **1/8/24**

# What did our Trainers say?

- **“Fantastic way of improving your practice in every aspect”**
- **“It is a good way to increase the capacity of a surgery. You have someone to provide cover when you are on holiday. You can ask their opinion on clinical matters. You have the opportunity to attend study days as a teacher.”**
- **“START course was beneficial, contact with fellow trainers rewarding”**

# Want to know more?

- <https://www.nes.scot.nhs.uk/media/uuilw2t3/becoming-a-vocational-trainer-booklet.pdf>
- <https://www.nes.scot.nhs.uk/our-work/dental-vocational-foundation-training/>
- Portal alerts – make sure you have opted in!
- Trainer recruitment webinar – date to follow
- Face to face evening events - date to follow
- Contact VT leads

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