

Oral Health Practitioner



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| Subject Area | Science |
| Course Type | Apprenticeships |
| Study Level | Level 4 |
| Delivery Mode | Part-time |
| Location | Workplace |
| Duration | 1 Academic Year |
| Start Date | Year round enrolment |
| Course Code | PA000165 |

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Course Summary

The Oral Health Practitioner role complements the role of other dental professionals and fits in the dental career structure as a higher level than a dental nurse, but below a dental hygienist, hygienist/therapist or dentist.

Working to the direction of a dentist you will take dental bacterial plaque indices and debris scores, apply fluoride varnish, take clinical photographs, take impressions and carry out tooth brushing in the patient's mouth.

You will work autonomously, including in people's mouths, acting within your scope of practice and under referral of a registered clinician e.g. Dentist, Dental Hygienist or Dental Therapist whilst undertaking dental activities.

What You Will Learn

Topics include:

- Care of the Individual
- Clinical Practice
- Community Based Oral Health
- Communication
- Professional Development

Entry Requirements

- Must have Maths and English grade C/4 or above
- Must already be a qualified dental nurse
- Must have employer support to meet the requirements of clinical activity in the workplace

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