

# Level 3 Dental Nurse (GDC 2023) Apprenticeship



## Course Overview

An essential course for anyone wishing to qualify and work as a dental nurse within general practice, hospitals or community dental services.

Underpinning knowledge will be acquired by attending taught sessions via Microsoft teams and in the classroom and your assessor will offer support as you gain practical experience in the workplace via observations.

## What You Will Study

Eleven mandatory units:

- Preparing for professional practice in dental nursing
- Health and safety practices in the dental setting
- Prevention and control of infection in the dental setting
- Dental and regional anatomy, oral health assessments and treatment planning
- Recognising and supporting actions during first aid and medical emergencies
- The safe use of ionising radiation to produce quality radiographic images
- Provide support for the control of periodontal disease and caries, and the restoration of cavities
- Provide support during the stages of prosthetic treatments
- Provide support during the stages of endodontic procedures
- Provide support during extractions and minor oral surgery
- Scientific and practical information to support the patient's oral and physical health

## Maths and English

These are key elements of apprenticeship programmes and if you do not already have a GCSE at Grade 4/Level 2 in these subjects you will be required to study Functional Skills at the appropriate levels prior to starting the course.

Skills in Maths and English will support your apprenticeship programme, assisting you with assignment writing, research, job applications, presentations, managing your own finances and interpretation of data, to mention just a few. They will also help you in the future. Most employers are looking for ability in these areas and the majority of university courses require you to have Maths and English GCSEs Grade (9-4). Therefore, the development of Maths and English is so important, whatever your field of study.

### START DATE

Various dates

### LEVEL

Level 3

### STUDY MODE

Full-time

### DURATION

18-21 months

### AWARDING BODY

City & Guilds

### LOCATION

Blended Learning



For further information about this course, including Entry Requirements, Assessments and Further Study, scan the QR code.

## Need More Information?

For additional course information please contact the Course Information Team on **01924 789111** or email [courseinfo@heartofyorkshire.ac.uk](mailto:courseinfo@heartofyorkshire.ac.uk).

To learn more about the Heart of Yorkshire Education Group, our facilities and how we can support you please visit our website [www.heartofyorkshire.ac.uk](http://www.heartofyorkshire.ac.uk).

## Quick Links



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## Attendance Expectations

You will attend via Microsoft Teams classrooms for taught theory sessions for one day each week during term time, followed by self study. Structured sessions for simulated assessments will be taught in person by your tutor in college.

## How You Will Be Assessed

When you start the course, you will be allocated an assessor who will carry out regular contact with you and your practice. You will be observed by your assessor on at least two occasions at your practice, during surgery hours. Your assessor will also guide and support you in compiling your portfolio of evidence that you are reaching the required standards.

## Entry Requirements

Must be employed as a dental nurse.

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Maths and English GCSEs at Grade 4.

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## Fee Information

Please contact the Apprenticeship Recruitment Team on 01924 789469 or email [apprenticeships@heartofyorkshire.ac.uk](mailto:apprenticeships@heartofyorkshire.ac.uk)

## Further Study

Wakefield College offers various courses which can be used as Continuing Professional Development for dental care professionals.

