

DENTAL CORE TRAINING 2026/27

HEALTH EDUCATION & IMPROVEMENT WALES (HEIW)

DCT3 Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery with on-call, Morriston Hospital (2 posts available)

1.	Region (Deanery) Name	Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW)
2.	Title of post Type of Training & duration of post	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DCT3 in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery with on-call 12 months
3.	Training unit/locations	<p>WAL/W082/061/DCT3/001 WAL/W082/061/DCT3/002</p> <p>Morriston Hospital, Swansea, SA6 6NL (main training location), also Singleton Hospital, Swansea, SA2 8QA and Princess of Wales Hospital, Bridgend, CF31 1RQ.</p>
4.	Rotational Post information and Duration	<p>WAL/W082/061/DCT3/001 – 12 months WAL/W082/061/DCT3/002 – 12 months</p> <p>Morriston Hospital, Swansea, SA6 6NL (main training location), also Singleton Hospital, Swansea, SA2 8QA and Princess of Wales Hospital, Bridgend, CF31 1RQ.</p>
5.	Full address of unit/s where training is based	Morriston Hospital, Swansea, SA6 6NL (main training location), also Singleton Hospital, Swansea, SA2 8QA and Princess of Wales Hospital, Bridgend, CF31 1RQ.
6.	Payscale	<p style="color: red;">Salaries for Dental Core Trainees in Wales are different to England, Scotland and Ireland. Please visit the Welsh Government pay circular 24/25 for more information on salaries BEFORE you submit your preferences:</p> <p>NHS Pay and Conditions - NHS Wales</p>
7.	Travel Commitment	Travel to and from the training units listed above.
8.	Name of Educational Supervisor, if known	Joseph Catania
9.	Contact details for Educational Supervisor	Joseph Catania: Joseph.catania @wales.nhs.uk
10.	Description of training post	The trainee will have the opportunity to attend outpatient clinics and treatment sessions. Experience will be gained working closely with medical and surgical colleagues in all clinical areas in OMFS. The trainee will attend theatre sessions and encouraged to develop their surgical skills appropriate for their level. The trainee will be

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		<p>encouraged to participate in a quality improvement project / clinical audit and there are opportunities to pursue research.</p> <p>The Oral and Maxillofacial department at Morriston Hospital is one of the largest and busiest in the United Kingdom serving a population of 1.25 million. A wide range of Oral and Maxillofacial services are carried out including head and neck surgery and reconstruction, cleft lip and palate surgery, orthognathic surgery, maxillofacial trauma, salivary gland surgery, cutaneous malignancy and dentoalveolar surgery. It is part of the Maxillofacial Unit which includes the specialties of Orthodontics and Restorative Dentistry and has close working relationships with these departments. There is also close working relationship with other allied specialties including ENT and Plastic surgery.</p> <p>The Oral and Maxillofacial department is an integrated department based at Morriston Hospital and also serving Princess of Wales Hospital in Bridgend. All emergency and inpatient elective work take place at the Morriston Hospital. All other work is undertaken on either site.</p> <p>Morriston Hospital has been designated by the Welsh Assembly Government as the centre for cleft care in South Wales.</p> <p>The Unit has an international reputation in the reconstruction of patients with congenital and acquired orofacial defects and many challenging multi-disciplinary cases are undertaken.</p> <p>There is a large maxillofacial laboratory on site serving all three specialties. The team includes maxillofacial technicians and prosthetists, orthodontic and restorative technicians and full-time 3D scientist. A full range of services is provided including facial prostheses, implants and planning for orthognathic, reconstructive and trauma service.</p> <p>The Maxillofacial Unit, Cleft Unit and ENT share a dedicated outpatient facility with several clinical rooms, treatment rooms and multidisciplinary meeting rooms in the new outpatient facility at Morriston Hospital. We also have a dedicated Head & Neck ward for all our emergency and elective patients. There is free access to large children's ward for paediatric patients. Day case patients have access to Theatre Admissions Unit for same day discharge. There is a</p>
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		<p>dedicated adult and paediatric theatre for elective operating throughout the week and access to CEPOD theatre for emergency work.</p> <p>The Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery clinical team currently includes 6 consultants, 3 specialist trainees, 2 speciality doctors, 1 specialist grade, 1 associate Specialist and 10 dental and medical foundation and core trainees.</p>	
11.	Suitable for Temporary Registrant?	YES	
12.	Primary Care element Performer Number required?		NO
13.	Pattern of working including any on-call commitment	<p>The trainee will be part of 7 1st tier trainees that includes a core surgical trainee.</p> <p>The working pattern is a 7-week cycle (1:7) rotating through operating theatres, outpatient activities including treatment sessions, day case theatre, ward and on-call duties.</p> <p>The post includes resident out of hours on-call duties based at Morriston Hospital.</p> <p>The trainee on-call commitment will be a split between weekdays and weekend covering days or nights in a rolling rota.</p>	
14.	Educational programme summary	<p>All DCT2 and DCT3 training contracts include up to 30 days of study leave. HEIW provides, at no cost to the trainee, up to 6 common mandatory structured study days, leaving each trainee with at least 24 self-directed study (SDS) days, where they can pursue suitable learning and development of their own choice.</p> <p>Two mandatory structured study days in term 1 cover quality improvement methodology and the DCT is expected to undertake a quality improvement project to an accredited and recognised QIST level. The remaining study days in terms 2 and 3 are arranged according to a survey of our newly appointed DCT2 and 3 trainees' training needs and preferences.</p>	

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		<p>A total allowance of £600 per trainee is provided to assist with course or conference fees incurred with SDS days during the training year.</p> <p>Any planned SDS dates must be agreed with the training placement provider using their internal processes so that any impact on service provision is minimised or mitigated.</p> <p>Structured departmental educational activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • weekly journal club • monthly clinical governance days • monthly teaching sessions on core topics <p>Trainees are encouraged and supported to actively participate in these activities.</p> <p>There are excellent library facilities both at Morriston Hospital and Princess of Wales Hospital.</p>
Employment Details		
15.	Employer	<p align="center">Lead Employer - NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership</p> <p align="center">SINGLE LEAD EMPLOYER (SLE) ARRANGEMENT</p> <p>Working as a Dental Core trainee in Wales means that you will be following a single lead employer model.</p> <p>The SLE model in Wales is a collaborative employment model, with the responsibilities of the traditional employer shared between three major stakeholders, who are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single Lead Employer – NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership (NWSSP) <p>Overall employment responsibility including contracts of employment, employment checks, DBS checks, pay, restrictions/exclusions and disciplinary matters. The Lead Employer itself offers a single point of contact coordinating with all stakeholders.</p> <p>For any queries relating to your employment, e.g., Pre employment checks, salary etc. please contact NWSSPSLE.Dental@wales.nhs.uk.</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Host Organisation (University Health Board / Learning Education Provider) Provides day-to-day management and supervision of training by clinical and educational supervisors. • Health Education Improvement Wales (HEIW) Ensures the delivery of high-quality education and training which includes recruitment into training programmes, support and assessment programmes, faculty development and quality monitoring of placements.
16.	Contact email for applicant queries referring to post	<p>Joseph Catania (Educational Supervisor): Joseph.catania@wales.nhs.uk</p> <p><u>HEIW contacts</u> Angharad Truman: Angharad.Truman@wales.nhs.uk</p> <p>Karen Hailes: karen.hailes3@wales.nhs.uk</p>
17.	Link to relevant webpages	<p>Post Descriptions - HEIW (nhs.wales)</p> <p>Dental core training - HEIW (nhs.wales)</p> <p>Single lead employer - HEIW (nhs.wales)</p>