

## CPD FOR GRADUATE DENTISTS



### Welcome

#### Introduction

Continuing Professional Development (CPD) is essential for the maintenance of dentists' knowledge and skills and underpins safe clinical practice. We recognise that in most countries this is delivered in an informal structure.

Currently, there is no harmonisation on the 'essential' content or the regulation of CPD for graduate dentists in the EU. A core purpose of this EU funded study is to identify and agree CPD requirements for all EU graduate dentists. This survey is the first step in this process and is your opportunity to put forward your views and recommendations on this important topic.

We appreciate that CPD systems and requirements vary considerably from country to country. If any of these questions do not allow you to fully explain the situation in your country, or any of your responses require further explanation or clarification, we would be very grateful if you could please comment in the text box at the end of the survey (Q.18). Many thanks in anticipation.

The survey is easy to complete and should take about **15 minutes** of your time.

The survey will close on **19th December 2010**

#### Data Protection

For the purposes of this survey Cardiff University is the data controller. All data collected in this survey will be held securely by the survey software provider (Bristol University) under contract and then retained by the Postgraduate Dental School, Cardiff University in accordance with the Data Protection Act (1998). Data from the survey, including answers to questions where personal details are requested, will only be used for the specific purposes of the Erasmus project "Harmonization and Standardization of Continuing Professional Development for Graduate Dentists" (09961-LLP-2010-1-UK-ERASMUS-EMHE).

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Section 1. CPD Systems

**1. Please select the country where you currently work** *(Optional)*

Select an answer

If you selected Other, please specify:

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**Please answer the following questions with reference to the situation for graduate dentists in the country where you work.**

**2. Do you have an official, regulated system for Continuing Professional Development (CPD) in your country?**

Yes, compulsory and regulated system for all dentists  
 Yes, optional regulated system  
 No, but recommended amounts CPD  
 No official system  
 Don't know

**3. Is there a national regulatory body for dentists in your country?** *(Optional)*

Yes  
 No  
 Don't know

**a. If Yes, is it a requirement that a graduating dentist be recognised by this body before they can practice?** *(Optional)*

Yes  
 No  
 Don't know

**b. If Yes, is a dentist required to register with this body on an annual basis?** *(Optional)*

Yes  
 No  
 Don't know

**If No, how often?** *(Optional)*

**c. Please name the regulatory body in your country who registers dentists to practice** *(Optional)*

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**4. In your view, what are the 3 most common ways in which graduate dentists update their knowledge and/or skills in the country where you are employed?**

		Other
<b>a. First option</b>	Select an answer <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>b. Second option</b>	Select an answer <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>c. Third option</b>	Select an answer <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Section 2. CPD Provision and Accreditation

**5. We are interested in the provision and accreditation of CPD in your country.**

For each organisation listed below, please indicate which activities it is engaged in.

	Provides CPD for graduate dentists	Is accredited to offer CPD points	Accredits providers of CPD	None of these
a. University dental schools	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Dental postgraduate organisation (outside the dental school)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. State organisations or authorities (e.g. Ministry)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Professional dental associations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. A national regulatory body for dentists	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Scientific dental societies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Private educational organisations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. Commercial companies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
i. Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. Do you know the criteria for successful accreditation? (Optional)

- Yes
- No

If Yes, please describe. (Optional)

7. Which organisations provide the most CPD?

Please select up to three options.

	Organisation	Other
a. Option 1	Select an answer	
b. Option 2	Select an answer	
c. Option 3	Select an answer	

Section 3. Core CPD

8. Are there core/essential/compulsory CPD topics that are regularly required to be undertaken by graduate dentists in your country? (Optional)

- Yes
- No - PLEASE GO TO QUESTION 11

9. For the following list of CPD topics, please indicate which are currently compulsory for graduate dentists in your country.

	Is the topic compulsory?			If yes, how often must it be completed?	Further information
	Yes	No	Don't know		
a. Business planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select an answer	
b. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation, medical emergencies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select an answer	
c. Child protection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select an answer	
d. Communication skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select an answer	
e. Conflict resolution	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select an answer	
f. Conscious sedation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select an answer	
g. Cross-infection control/decontamination & disinfection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select an answer	
h. Dental biomaterials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select an answer	
i. Dental care for the elderly	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select an answer	
j. Development and maintenance of a reflective portfolio	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select an answer	
k. Evidence-based dentistry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select an answer	

I. Handling complaints	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
m. Health and safety	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
n. Health education and prevention	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
o. Legal issues	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
p. New technologies	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
q. Pain management	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
r. Radiation protection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
s. Record keeping	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
t. Risk management	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
u. Smoking cessation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
v. Team working skills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
w. The medically compromised patient	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	

10. Are there any other CPD topics which are currently compulsory for graduate dentists in your country, but not listed in Question 9? (Optional)

11. For the following list of CPD topics, please indicate which you think *should be compulsory*, regardless of whether or not they are currently compulsory topics.

	Should this topic be compulsory?		If yes, how often should it be completed?	Further information
	Yes	No		
a. Business planning	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
b. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation, medical emergencies	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
c. Child protection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
d. Communication skills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
e. Conflict resolution	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
f. Conscious sedation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	
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w. The medically compromised patient	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Select an answer	

12. Are there any other CPD topics which you think should be compulsory for graduate dentists in your country, but not listed in Question 11? (Optional)

**13. Are privately practising graduate dentists required to attend regular, formal appraisal or personal development planning meetings?** *(Optional)*

Yes, it's mandatory  
 Not mandatory, but it is recommended  
 No  
 Don't know

**14. Are government funded graduate dentists (not privately practising) required to attend regular, formal appraisal or personal development planning meetings?** *(Optional)*

Yes, it's mandatory  
 Not mandatory, but it is recommended  
 No  
 Don't know

**15. How is formal CPD funded?** *(Optional)*  
*(select all that apply)*

University dental schools  
 Dental postgraduate organisation (outside the dental school)  
 State organisations or authorities (e.g. Ministry)  
 A national regulatory body for dentists  
 The dentist  
 The dentist with co-sponsorship (from e.g. the dental associations/commercial companies/scientific dental societies/private educational organisations)  
 Other *(please specify)*:

Section 4. Your Views

**16. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements. (1 = strongly disagree, 6 = strongly agree)**

	Strongly disagree 1	2	3	4	5	6 Strongly agree
a. I think that CPD should be obligatory for all dentists	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. All countries should have an official, national, accredited CPD system	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. More CPD should be available electronically (e-learning)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**17. In your opinion, which of these organisations provides the highest quality CPD?**  
Please select up to *three* options.

	Organisation	Other
a. Option 1	Select an answer <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 98%;" type="text"/>
b. Option 2	Select an answer <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 98%;" type="text"/>
c. Option 3	Select an answer <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 98%;" type="text"/>

Section 5. Your Further Comments

**18. Please add any further comments you may have.** *(Optional)*

Section 6. Personal Details

If you are interested in participating in a Working Group, organised by the Association for Dental Education in Europe (ADEE), who will investigate aspects of CPD in Europe and will provide guidelines for harmonised CPD for graduate dental practitioners in Europe, please provide your contact details below:

19. Last name <i>(Optional)</i>	<input type="text"/>
20. First name <i>(Optional)</i>	<input type="text"/>
21. Title (Dr., Prof., etc.) <i>(Optional)</i>	<input type="text"/>
22. Position in Dental School/Dental Association/other organisation <i>(Optional)</i>	<input type="text"/>
23. Address <i>(Optional)</i>	<input type="text"/>
24. Telephone number <i>(Optional)</i>	<input type="text"/>
25. Fax number <i>(Optional)</i>	<input type="text"/>
26. e-mail address <i>(Optional)</i>	<input type="text"/>
<b>This is the end of the questionnaire.</b>	
Please note that when you click the continue button your completed questionnaire will be submitted.	

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