

Faculty of Dental Surgery, the Royal College of Surgeons of England  
Guidance to Regional & Deanery Advisors involved in approving Person Specifications for  
NHS or Honorary Consultants in Restorative Dentistry

## Consultant in Restorative Dentistry – Person Specification

| Attainments  | Essential  | Desirable  | How Assessed                |
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| Registration   | Full registration with the United Kingdom General Dental Council (GDC)   |  | CV & Documentation          |
| Specialist listing                                   | On the GDC Specialist List in Restorative Dentistry or within 6 months of eligibility for inclusion  |  | CV/Interview, Documentation |
| Professional Qualifications<br>(see footnotes 2 & 4) | Possession of a Certificate of Accreditation or eligibility for a CCST in Restorative Dentistry  | Intercollegiate Specialty Fellowship Exit Examination in Restorative Dentistry, or equivalent<br><br>Fellowship in Dental Surgery or Membership of the Faculty of Dental Surgery, or equivalent. | CV & Documentation          |
| Training<br>(see footnotes 2 & 4)                    | Successful completion of an SAC-approved 5 year minimum training programme in Restorative Dentistry, or within 6 months of completion, or equivalent |  | CV/Interview                |
| Teaching   | Experience of post graduate and undergraduate teaching and training at an appropriate level.   |  | CV/Interview                |
| Audit  | Effective participation in audit   |  | CV/Interview                |
| Research   | Ability to appraise scientific literature critically   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Publications in refereed journals</li> <li>Research relevant to</li> </ul>  | CV/Interview                |

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|            |   | Restorative Dentistry |              |
| Management | Management of clinical service  |                       | CV/Interview |
| Personal   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work Independently</li> <li>• Good communication skills</li> <li>• Team Skills</li> <li>• Disability &amp; Equality Awareness</li> </ul> |                       | Interview    |

**Footnotes:**

1. The above criteria should be considered the minimum and Trusts would be entitled to add other criteria (both essential and desirable) to take account of local circumstances.
2. The professional qualifications and training requirements listed apply to individuals who are currently undertaking training to Consultant level, or have completed specialist training within the last few years. Existing consultants and other individuals, who have gained entry to the specialist list during the mediated entry period, will not be expected to hold all or any of these professional qualifications and might not have followed the established training pathway, which is why the term 'or equivalent' is used.
3. Current holders of an NHS or Honorary Consultant Contract in Restorative Dentistry are eligible for short-listing.
4. Applicants who are nationals from another EEA country or overseas would have to demonstrate equivalent training/qualifications and be eligible for registration and inclusion on the United Kingdom General Dental Council's specialist list in Restorative Dentistry
5. For Honorary Consultant posts linked with Senior Lecturer/Professional appointments there would be additional criteria, as required by the relevant university.

**Restorative Dentistry Consultant person specifications template - Updated March 2013**