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INFORMATION  
FOR EMPLOYERS

# Dental Nursing

## Apprenticeships

If your dental practice is looking to recruit new Dental Nurses, Training 2000's Level 3 Dental Nursing Apprenticeship will provide your employees the skills and knowledge to become an integral member of your team. Training 2000's Dental Nursing Apprenticeship will teach your staff how to work in the clinical environment in a safe and efficient manner and to understand legislation, policy and procedures related to their role as a dental nurse.

### Financial support for hiring a young person

Hiring young talent brings fresh ideas and strengthens an employer's workforce, enabling them to develop the skills needed to meet the demands of the future.

#### **£1000**

for employers who hire apprentices aged 16-18

#### **£3000**

for employers who hire 18-24 year olds who have been on Universal Credit for over 6 months (available June 26)

#### **£2000**

for SMEs who hire apprentices aged 16-24 (available from October 2026)

#### **No National Insurance contributions**

on apprentices under 25

\*\* Financial incentives can be combined if the apprentice/employer meets the criteria \*\*



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# Our Dental Nursing Apprenticeship

LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

## Dental Nursing

Every Dental Nursing apprentice we place has to undertake a mandatory assessment process with Training 2000. This consists of:

- BKSBS Maths and English tests which can take up to 2 hours
- A task where we ask learners to research the General Dental Council and present their findings
- An interview with our Dental Nursing Team to understand the learner's skills and knowledge of the dental qualification and the expectations of an Apprenticeship
- We explain the importance of the portfolio that learners need to work on throughout their Apprenticeship and we also discuss the roles and expectations within a Dental Practice

**Duration:** 18 months

**Commitment:** One day per week at Training 2000 or online learning.

The apprentice is required to spend at least 6 hours per week completing 'off the job' training. This could include their lessons at Training 2000, online training, industry visits, competitions and shadowing.

### Entry requirements:

A minimum of two GCSE at grade 4 (C) or above in maths and English is essential. They may have to complete their English and Maths Functional Skills depending on GCSE grades

### Funding this Apprenticeship:

**Levy paying employers:** £8,000

**Non-levy - 22+ years old:** £400  
(5% contribution)

**Non-levy - 16-21 years old:** £0  
(100% training costs covered)

### Topics covered:

#### Best practice

Work to current best practice for dental nurses

#### Communication

Use appropriate communication maintaining professionalism at all times and through all media to provide patient-centred care

#### Environment

Prepare and maintain the clinical environment

#### Infection control

Carry out infection control procedures

#### Materials

Prepare, mix and handle materials

#### Patient records

Keep accurate and current patient records

#### Equipment

Prepare equipment and materials for dental procedures and radiographs

#### Health advice

Give appropriate oral and general health advice to patients

#### Medical emergencies

Recognise and deal with medical emergencies

#### Professional development

Take responsibility for your own professional development in line with General Dental Council requirements

#### Quality improvement

Contribute to the quality improvement of the service

### Professional recognition:

On completion of this Apprenticeship the apprentice can register with the General Dental Council as a qualified Dental Nurse.

**Assessment methods:** Observation of clinical competency with multiple choice exams throughout the Apprenticeship.

**General  
Dental  
Council**