

2022 DFT National Recruitment

Deanery/ HEE Local Office	Dental Directorate Thames Valley & Wessex	Deanery/ HEE Local Office website address	http://www.oxforddeanery.nhs.uk/dental_school_home/dental_foundation_training.aspx	
Scheme Information	Name of Scheme/Area	Name of TPD	Site and usual day for Educational Programme (Day Release)	Start date
	Winchester Scheme	Simon Shillaker	Health Education England Wessex Southern House Otterbourne Winchester SO21 2RU Thursdays	01/09/2022
Geographical spread (towns usually included) Please note - training practices for 2022 have not yet been appointed.	<p style="color: red;">***There might be an hour and a half commute to the practice and study day events***</p> <p>North & West Hampshire - Winchester, Fleet, Aldershot, West Berkshire - Wokingham, Reading, Newbury</p>			

<p>Any information given on our website is for guidance only.</p>	
<p>Local Allocation Process followed in 2021 (This may be subject to alteration for 2022).</p>	<p>On 4th July after the upgrade deadline has passed, the Dental Team will invite you to our local allocation process. New Trainees will be emailed presentations from the local practices and asked to rank them in the order of preference.</p> <p>Allocation of trainers is dependent upon the preference made by the FDs and priority is given to those FDs with the highest scores received during the national recruitment process. FDs are notified of their allocated trainer by email and must accept their placement within 48 hours. Failure to respond means the place will be offered to another applicant on the course.</p>
<p>Overview</p>	<p>Some quotes from our satisfied FDs:</p> <p><i>“The Winchester Scheme is the best! My experienced and lovely trainers and advisor ensured I had a fantastic DFT year! Clinically, academically and not forgetting the all-important social, Winchester scheme gives you the perfect mix for a great 1st year out.”</i></p> <p><i>“DFT on the Winchester scheme was a fantastic year. The study days were really useful and covered a wide range of topics. The DFT group was an excellent support network for the ups and downs of starting general practice and very useful for getting to know other local dentists for associate positions to follow on from DFT.”</i></p> <p><i>“I thought my experience on the scheme was great. Good links to local maxillofacial units meant half of my group went to Portsmouth or Southampton Hospital for their next jobs. Winchester is a lovely city so be sure to explore. Overall it felt like a friendly and informal atmosphere which was fun to be part of.”</i></p>

"Being part of the Winchester scheme has been a wonderful experience that has helped me make a fluid transition from being an undergraduate to being a confident dentist working full time in an NHS dental practice. I had an enjoyable year which has helped me progress to where I am today."

Winchester is a vibrant university city with good access to the rest of the UK and beyond. The city has a wealth of history, charm and mystery as the ancient capital of England. All sports and outdoor activities are readily available. Many training practices are award winning general dental practices, based North of Winchester. Educational Supervisors are keen to share their success with you and the majority have completed or are completing postgraduate qualifications specifically to support Foundation Dentists to become better dentists.

The day release course offers nationally and internationally acclaimed speakers. We use the superb clinical skills facility in the University of Portsmouth Dental Academy for hands on days. Each year we normally attend the BDA Scientific Conference which provides a cutting-edge insight into the NHS and UK based dentistry. This event is a brilliant social and national highlight in the Foundation calendar.

Following the first year of Dental Foundation, there are excellent opportunities within Health Education England working across Thames Valley and Wessex, to continue onto Dental Core Training in hospital and salaried services. We offer supportive career advice and guidance to all of our Foundation Dentists. The local dental community is enthusiastic and very active, offering good links with the new Portsmouth Academy. There is a strong postgraduate program for GDPs and FDs providing the opportunity to meet specialists and high achieving GDPs from around the region.

Foundation dentists are paid according to the nationally agreed salary in each of the three UK countries involved in this nationally coordinated recruitment process:

- For England and Wales the exact figure appears in the Statements of Financial Entitlement published periodically by the Departments of Health for England and Wales. For Northern Ireland this is published in the Statement of Dental Remuneration (SDR).
- Please note that the figure published and applicable at the date of application may not be the same as that in force at the time of starting in post.