

Dental ePortfolio

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# NIMDTA ePortfolio

SLEs, PDPs, Logbooks, and CPD

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# Supervised Learning Events (SLEs)

- A formal workplace-based assessment recorded in an e-portfolio that provides feedback on a trainee dentist's clinical skills and practice
- Real clinical setting
- Formative – not exams
- Case Based Discussion, Developing the Clinical Teacher, Direct Observation of Procedural Skills and Mini-Clinical Evaluation Exercise

# Types of SLEs: CBD

- Structured discussion on a case
- Focus: decision-making & guidelines
- Reflection on reasoning & management
- Example: extraction in anticoagulated patient

Title of Case Based Discussion \*

Here you can record a brief, anonymous history to allow the SLE to be contextualised \*

Setting \*

- ☐ A&E  
☐ Clinical  
☐ Ward  
☐ Theatre  
☐ Home Visit  
☐ Other

If other please specify

Clinical Problem Category

- ☐ New Patient  
☐ Follow up  
☐ Adult  
☐ Child  
☐ Special Care  
☐ Pain/Emergency  
☐ Other (if other please specify)

Focus of encounter

- ☐ Medical record keeping  
☐ Clinical assessment  
☐ Investigations and referrals  
☐ Treatment  
☐ Follow-up and future planning  
☐ Professionalism  
☐ Other (if other please specify)

If other please specify

Feedback based on the behaviours observed \*

Agreed action \*

Assessor's Position \*

If other please specify

Reflection

# Types of SLEs: Developing the Clinical Teacher

- Observation of your teaching activity
- Assesses ability to explain, engage, and give feedback
- Opportunities: small group teaching, tutorials, on-the-job teaching
- Feedback helps improve your teaching style

Title of Developing the Clinical Teacher \*

Here you can record a brief, anonymous history to allow the SLE to be contextualised \*

Setting \*

- ☐ Clinical based
- ☐ Ward based
- ☐ Journal club
- ☐ Lecture
- ☐ Tutorial
- ☐ Other

If other please specify

Audience \*

- ☐ Undergraduate students
- ☐ Dental core trainees
- ☐ Mixed clinical
- ☐ Multidisciplinary team
- ☐ Other

Focus of encounter

- ☐ Preparation and setting (creating an appropriate environment for teaching, utilisation of resources)
- ☐ Teaching (clarity, logical sequence)
- ☐ Subject knowledge
- ☐ Ability to answer questions
- ☐ Interaction with group (gained their attention, facilitated group participation)
- ☐ Other

If other please specify

Feedback based on the behaviours observed \*

Agreed action \*

Assessor's Position \*

If other please specify

Reflection

# Types of SLEs: DOPS

- Observed procedural skill
- Assesses technique & patient safety
- Covers simple to complex procedures
- Example: biopsy, suturing, I&D abscess

Title of Direct Observation of  
Procedural Skills \*

Here you can record a brief,  
anonymous history to allow the  
SLE to be contextualised \*

Setting \*

- ☐ ASE  
☐ Clinical  
☐ Ward  
☐ Theatre  
☐ Home Visit  
☐ Other

If other please specify

Procedure \*

Focus of encounter

- ☐ Demonstrates understanding of indications/anatomy/technique  
☐ Obtains informed consent  
☐ Preparation pre-procedure  
☐ Appropriate analgesia  
☐ Sedation  
☐ Technical ability  
☐ Clinical safety  
☐ Post procedure management  
☐ Communication skills  
☐ Consideration of patient/professionalism  
☐ Other

If other please specify

Feedback based on the  
behaviours observed \*

Agreed action \*

Assessor's Position \*

If other please specify

Reflection



# Types of SLEs: Mini-CEX

- Observed clinical encounter
- Focus: communication, professionalism, reasoning
- 10–15 mins with feedback
- Example: explaining risks of wisdom tooth surgery

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| Title of Mini-Clinical Evaluation Exercise   |   |
| Here you can record a brief, anonymous history to allow the SLE to be contextualised |   |
| Setting  |   |
| If other please specify  |   |
| Problem category   |   |
| If other please specify  |   |
| Focus of encounter   | • |
| If other please specify  |   |
| Feedback based on the behaviours observed  |   |
| Agreed action  |   |
| Assessor's Position  |   |
| If other please specify  |   |
| Reflection   |   |

# Linking to the Curriculum

- Select cases that clearly map to curriculum domains
- Use the tagging function in the ePortfolio to link outcomes
- Cover a range of domains (clinical, professional, teaching, leadership)
  - Professional behaviour and Trust
  - Communication, Teamworking and Leadership
  - Clinical safety and Quality
  - Clinical Care

# Tips for SLEs

- Ask early – don't leave it last minute
- Vary assessors
- Quality > quantity
- Refer to IRCP and FRCP minimum requirements

# IRCP and FRCR minimum requirements

## ICRP


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| <p>A <b>minimum</b> of 12 completed (signed and saved) supervised learning event entries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• at least 4 DOPS</li><li>• at least 2 CEX</li><li>• at least 2 CBDs</li></ul> | Supervised learning events section | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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## RCRP

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| <p>A <b>minimum</b> of 24 completed (signed and saved) supervised learning event entries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• at least 8 DOPS</li><li>• at least 4 CEX</li><li>• at least 4 CBDs</li><li>• At least 1 SLE – Developing the Clinical Teacher</li></ul> | Supervised learning events section | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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# Personal Development Plans (PDPs)

- SMART objectives (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-bound)
- Link to curriculum
- Examples: surgical extractions, attend a conference

| Learning or development need | How does this relate to my field of practice? | Which GDC development outcome(s) does it link to? (A, B, C, D)                      | What benefit will this have to my work? | How will I meet this learning or maintenance need? | When will I complete the activity? | How I have met this learning or development need? |
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# Clinical Logbook

- Update regularly – not at the end
- Record procedure, role, complexity
- Helps for interviews, audits, confidence
- Digital logbooks easier than paper – [elogbook.org](http://elogbook.org)



**eLogbook - the Pan-Surgical Electronic Logbook  
for the United Kingdom & Ireland**

# CPD Record

- Log teaching, courses, conferences, audit days
- Reflect: how does it link to GDC development outcomes and curriculum
- Update monthly