

DENTAL FOUNDATION TRAINING (DFT) CALENDAR 2025-2026

SEPTEMBER

- DFT Scheme induction
- Documentation to be returned to NIMDTA:
 - DFT e-Contract
 - GDC and Indemnity Registration Certificates
- Registration with NIMDTA Events Booking Platform
- Review DFT resources on NIMDTA Events Booking Platform
- Completion and upload to ePortfolio of:
 - Clinical Skills Baseline Assessment
 - In-Practice Learning to Support Practice Induction
 - DFT e-Contract
- Educational Transition Document to be shared with Educational Supervisor (ES) and uploaded to ePortfolio
- Foundation Dentist (FD) Representative appointed

OCTOBER

- Study Days
- Completion of 8-Week Survey
- Submission period for APLAN 1 Case Presentation
- CDFT(NI) Meeting attended by FD Representative

NOVEMBER

- Study Days
- Presentation of APLAN 1 Case
- Early Stage Review; Adviser and FD
- 3-Way Meeting; Adviser, ES and FD

DECEMBER

- Study Days
- Renewal of GDC Registration
- Upload 20 PSQs to ePortfolio
- Upload 8 MSFs to ePortfolio

JANUARY

- Study Days
- DCT Recruitment Opens
- [*Dental Core Training \(DCT\) | Dental Hub \(hee.nhs.uk\)](https://www.dental.nhs.uk/core-training)*
- DCT Recruitment Closes
- Submission period for upload of APLAN 2 Case
- Assessment period for APLAN 2 Case
- Scheme Advisers commence ADEPTs
- Submit GDC Registration Certificate

FEBRUARY

- Study Days
- Assessment period for APLAN 2 Case
- Presentation of APLAN 2 Case
- DCT Online Situational Judgement Tests
- CDFT(NI) Meeting attended by FD Representative

MARCH

- Study Days
- ES BUDDY Adepts
- Interim Review of Competency Progression Panel
- 3-Way Meetings; Scheme Adviser ES and FD
- 10 SCRIPT Modules to be completed and certificates uploaded to ePortfolio

APRIL

- Study Days
- Completion of Radiography Audit
- SPPG Annual Assurance Review of FD Records

MAY

- Study Days
- Submission period for upload of APLAN 3 Case
- Assessment period for APLAN 3 Case

JUNE

- Study Days
- Assessment period for APLAN 3 Case
- Presentation of APLAN 3 Case
- CDFT(NI) Meeting attended by FD Representative
- Final Study Day

JULY

- Final Review of Competency Progression Panel
- Completion of End of Year Survey
- HS50 Form Completion

AUGUST

- DFT Satisfactory Completion Certificate issued
- DFT Scheme Finishes

Please ensure that you complete monthly requirements at the end of each month. A failure to complete all requirements will impact your Educational Supervisors scheme payments.

GLOSSARY

ADEPT

A Dental Evaluation of Performance Tool

APLAN

Anonymous Peer Learning and Assessment Network

CDFT(NI)

Committee on Dental Foundation Training (NI)

DCT

Dental Core Training

DFT

Dental Foundation Training

ES

Educational Supervisor

FD

Foundation Dentist

GDC

General Dental Council

MFDS

Membership of the Faculty of Dental Surgery (Diploma)

MSF

Multi Source Feedback

PSQ

Patient Satisfaction Questionnaire

SPPG

Strategic Planning and Performance Group