

Careers in the Community Dental Service

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Learning Outcomes

- What is Community Dental Service?
- Types of Patients and Treatments
- Roles Within the service
- Pathway to Community Dental Service
- Career Opportunities

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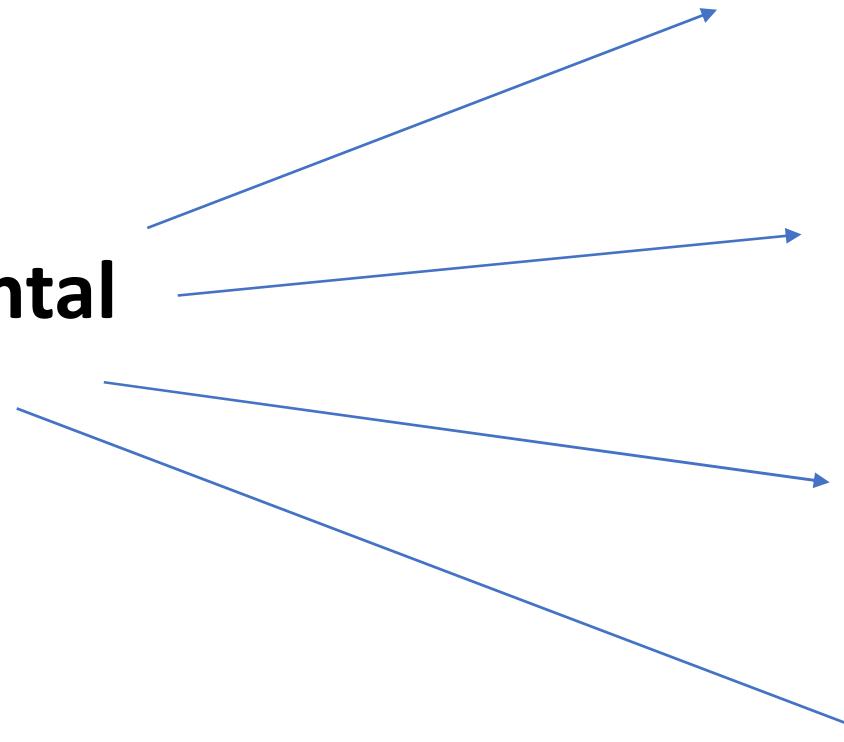
General Dental Practice

Community Dental
Service

Hospital Dental
Service

High Street
Specialists

Private



What is the CDS?

Is a small specialised service that provides a wide range of specialist dental services in health centres and hospitals.

The service provides dental care including GA/Sedation for children and adults with complex dental needs, medical needs and or complex disabilities.

This is a referral only service for patients whose dental care cannot be provided in general dental practice.

Scope of Service Specification

The Community Dental Service (CDS) serves the community by providing direct patient care and preventive programmes to people who, because of their special care needs, are unable to access appropriate dental services elsewhere.

These services are provided in both Community and Hospital settings.

We will be a model of best practice in providing oral healthcare which is high quality, evidence-based and timely.

[Review of CDS - Scope of Service Specification \(health-ni.gov.uk\)](http://health-ni.gov.uk)

Patients with Special Care Needs

- learning disability
- compromising medical condition
- mental illness
- physically disabled (Bariatric patients)
- housebound/ institutional resident
- patients with significant anxiety or behavioural difficulties who cannot be treated in a general dental practice
- children identified as high risk by demographic or health indicators who are not suitable for general dental practice.









Types of Treatments

- Ability to carry out all dental treatments (exception of implants)
- Under LA / Sedation / General Anaesthetic

What treatment / How treatment carried out is dependant on other factors??

Roles in Community Dental Service



Dental Officer

- Provides range of treatments for all patients under LA/RA/GA
- Domicillary Care
- Nursing Home Screening
- Oral Health Screening/Promotion
- GA sessions
- Reports to SDO
- Salary £52,536 - £78,798

Senior Dental Officer

- Clinical Dentist who provides oral care for all patients
- Will have responsibility for managing a clinic
- Manages the Dental Officers/Dental Nurses/Admin Staff
- Runs a section of the service
- Reports to the Clinical Director
- Salary: £ 81,721 - £ 95,581

Clinical Director of the CDS

- Management role/Clinical Role
- Overall responsibility for whole service
- Determines how Budget spent
- Responsibility of all Staff
- Reports to Divisional Director
- Salary: £97,769 - £ 109,444

Specialist Community Dentist (Clinical)

- Employed by trust as a Specialist for others within CDS to refer complex patients to.
- Salary: £97,769 - £ 106,524

Other opportunities

- Peer Reviews
- Audit
- Poster Presentations
- Study Days
- National epidemiology Surveys

Pathway to Career in Community





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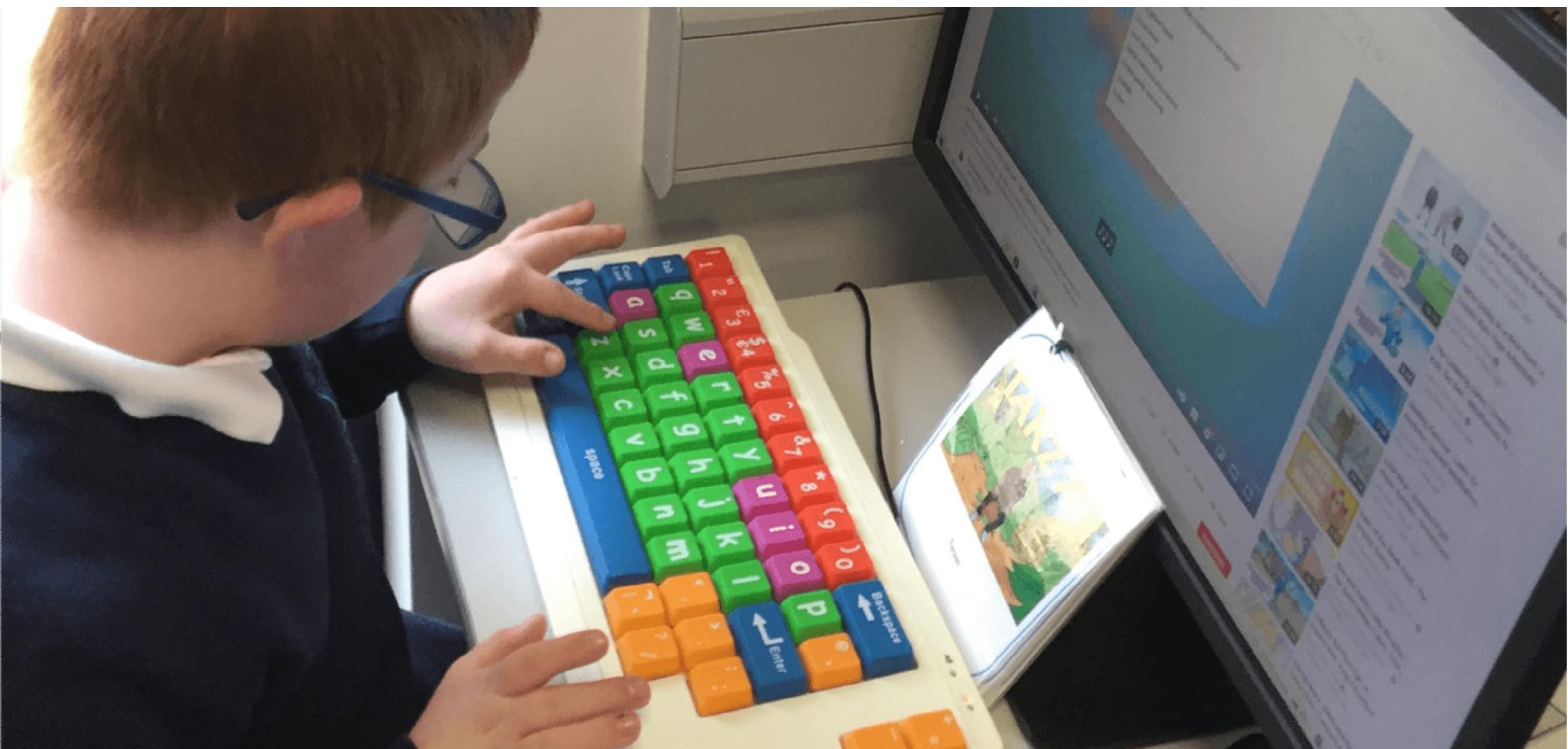














Why Work in Community??

- Variety of patients/ treatments
- Never Dull moment
- Opportunities for Training/CPD
- Work with Large team
- Opportunities to work in epidemiological surveys and Clinical Audit
- Salaried Post – HSC Employee Benefits
- Career progression
- Special Care Dentistry / Dental Public Health Training Pathway

Annual Leave Entitlement

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Dentists on appointment	27 days per annum
After five years service	29 days per annum
After ten years service	33 days per annum
General Public Holidays	10 days per annum

Pro Rata for part time staff

- Jobs available on HSC recruit website



HSCRecruit.com

The official website for Health & Social Care Jobs in N Ireland

