

COURSE INFORMATION & CANDIDATE SPECIFICATION

The Orthodontic Therapy course will allow candidates to register as an Orthodontic Therapist with the General Dental Council (GDC), once they have successfully completed the Royal College of Surgeons, Diploma in Orthodontic Therapy Examination.

Key Facts

Award Type: Diploma

Awarding Body: Royal College of Surgeons - Edinburgh

Course Length: Part time - One year

Students will attend an initial 4 week core programme. Students will then attend training for 2 consecutive days a month over the next 11 months for remainder of the extended programme

(The extended programme will be held between two campus sites).

Provider: King's Health Partners

Campus: Denmark Hill (KCH) & London Bridge (GSTT)

Year of Entry: 2020

Start Date: June 2020

Course Fee: £13,000.00

Closing date: The KHP Orthodontic Therapy team will run a rolling recruitment process for the June 2020 entries. All applications will be reviewed on arrival and applicants will be notified within 4 weeks of application submission. **Final application submission for 2020 is: 31 October 2019**

Interview dates: **The KHP Orthodontic Therapy interviews are held throughout the year.**

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Application: Full course information and application details can be accessed from:
<http://dtec.kch.nhs.uk/course/diploma-in-orthodontic-therapy/>

Course Eligibility To be eligible to join the course, applicants need to meet the candidate specification set out below.

CANDIDATE APPLICATION SPECIFICATION

To be eligible to join the course, the candidate needs to:

1. be registered as a Dental Nurse under Dental Care Professional register held with the General Dental Council
2. have appropriate professional indemnity insurance (in place by the start of the training programme)
3. identified a workplace mentor/clinical supervisor

In order to meet the candidate specification candidates must meet all of the criteria listed in 'Part A' and hold a minimum of **ONE** qualification listed in 'Part B' (under essential criteria).

Part A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Indemnity Insurance Certificate 	
	Essential Criteria	Desirable Criteria
Part B	<p><i>Candidates must hold ONE of the following qualification listed below:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The National Examining Board for Dental Nurses (NEBDN) National Certificate ▪ The National Examining Board for Dental Nurses (NEBDN) National Diploma ▪ The S/NVQ Level 3 in Oral Healthcare: Dental Nursing awarded by an approved NVQ or SVQ provider ▪ City & Guilds Diploma in Dental Nursing ▪ A Certificate of Proficiency in Dental Nursing awarded by a recognised Dental Hospital, The Certificate of Higher Education in Dental Nursing offered by the School of Professionals Complementary to Dentistry, at the University of Portsmouth 	<p><i>The following qualification is desirable:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ National Examining Board for Dental Nurses (NEBDN) Certificate in Orthodontic Dental Nursing
Skills & Abilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Manually dextrous ▪ Good communicator ▪ Good basic IT skills – confident with use of email and the internet ▪ Works well in team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Familiar with use of digital photography ▪ Experience with PowerPoint presentations
Disposition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Able to work under pressure ▪ Able to sustain the hard work throughout the course ▪ Caring approach to patients ▪ Evidence of high degree of integrity in all professional areas and understands confidentiality ▪ Excellent team player 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Open minded and able to manage change ▪ Hard working and high attention to detail ▪ Aware of own limitations and when to ask for assistance

<p>Other</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Aware and committed to the requirements of the course ▪ Demonstrates a desire to learn ▪ Minimum of 2 years' experience in clinical orthodontics ▪ All applicants for the 2020 entry will need to ensure that they hold a supporting letter from their supervising orthodontist if they do not hold the NEBDN Certificate in Orthodontic Dental Nursing 	
<p>Training/ Workplace requirements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ensure that you are undertaking training within a practice that is inspected by the CQC (Care Quality Commission) ▪ Ensure that the supervising dentist who is supporting your training is also registered on the specialist orthodontist list ▪ Must be employed within the practice where you will be working as an Trainee Orthodontic Therapist for a <u>minimum of 3 months prior to the start of your training</u> is due to commence 	