

ORTHODONTICS ST4

ENTRY CRITERIA

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA	WHEN EVALUATED ⁱ
Qualifications	
Applicants must have:	Application form
BDS or equivalent dental qualification recognised by the General Dental Council	
MOrth (or equivalent)	
 On the GDC specialist list for Orthodonticsⁱⁱ or recommended for the award of a CCST at time of post commencementⁱⁱⁱ 	
Eligibility	
Applicants must:	Application form
 Be registered with GDC by time of post commencementⁱⁱ 	Interview/selection
Be eligible to work in the UK.	centre
 Have the ability to travel to sites as required in order to fulfil the requirements of the whole training programme. 	
Fitness to practise	
Is up to date and fit to practise safely.	Application form
 Satisfactory enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check in England & Wales / Disclosure Scotland (PVG) in Scotland / Access NI in Northern Ireland or equivalent 	References
Language skills	
Applicants must have demonstrable skills in written and spoken English, adequate to enable effective communication about dental topics with patients and colleagues; as demonstrated by one of the following:	Application form Interview/selection
 undergraduate dental training undertaken in English; or academic International English Language Testing System (IELTS) results showing a score of at least 6.50 in each domain (speaking, listening, reading, writing with an overall score of at least 7.0, to be achieved in a single sitting and within 24 months of the time of application 	centre
If applicants believe they have adequate communication skills, but do not have evidence in one of the above forms, they must provide alternative supporting evidence of language skills	
Health	
Applicants must:	Application form
• Meet professional health requirements (in line with GDC Standards for the Dental Team).	Pre-employment health screening
Career progression	
Applicants must:	Application form
Be able to provide complete details of their employment history	Interview/selection centre
Have evidence that their career progression is consistent with their personal circumstances	
Have evidence that their present level of achievement and performance is commensurate with the totality of their period of training	
Have notified the Training Programme Director of the Specialty Training Programme they are currently training in if applying to continue training in the same specialty in another region ^{iv} .	
Not have previously relinquished or been released / removed from a specialty training programme, except under exceptional circumstances ^v .	
Have evidence of successful completion of 3-year full time training in Orthodontics (or the	



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Application completion	
ALL sections of application form completed FULLY according to written guidelines.	Application form

SELECTION CRITERIA

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	Quali	fications	
•	As above	 MFDS / MJDF or equivalent at the time of application MSc or other higher degree in Orthodontics (to be achieved by date of appointment)^{vi} Other degrees held at time of application e.g. BSc, MSc, PhD or Dip/MSc 	Application form/ Self-assessment form Interview/selection centre
	Career p	progression	
•	As above Commitment to the specialty with clear career objectives On a NHS primary care organisation Performers' List or able to meet requirements for listing when training/post involves primary care placement that requires listing	 Has evidence of experience in more than one dental specialty/clinical setting On an NHS primary care organisation Performers' List or able to meet requirements for listing Has evidence of undertaking appropriate courses commensurate with career progression and intentions 	Application form/ Self-assessment form Interview/selection centre
	Clinical skills – clinica	l knowledge and expertise	
	Demonstrates good patient care skills Capacity to apply sound clinical knowledge		Application form Interview/selection
	and judgement to problems Ability to prioritise clinical need		centre References
•	Demonstrates appropriate technical and clinical competence and evidence of the development of diagnostic skills and clinical judgement		
	Academic an	d research skills	
	Understanding of the principles and relevance of research in evidence-based practice	 Evidence of relevant academic and research achievements, e.g. degrees, awards Publications Conference presentations/posters Distinctions, scholarships, prizes and honours 	Application form/ Self-assessment form Interview/selection centre
	Quality improvement		
•	Demonstrates understanding of the principles of audit/clinical governance/quality improvement Evidence of participation in quality improvement/audit/service evaluation	 Evidence of leading at least one quality improvement project 	



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 Probity – profess Takes responsibility for own actions Demonstrates honesty and reliability Demonstrates respect for the rights of all Demonstrates awareness of ethical principles, safety, confidentiality and consent Awareness of importance of being the patients' advocate, clinical governance and the responsibilities of an NHS employee 	 Demonstrates the principles of NHS values including care, compassion, dignity, respect and commitment to quality 	Application form, Interview/selection centre

SPECIALTY SPECIFIC CRITERIA		
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Commitment to specialty – lea	arning and personal development	
Demonstrates insight, interest and commitment to pursuing a career in the specialty of orthodontics	 Should have wide training in a number of specialties consummate to their post qualification experience Experience in a range of posts at various levels which demonstrates career progression within the specialty of Orthodontics and an intention to apply for a consultant post on completion of ST4-5 training 	Application form/ Self-assessment form Interview/selection centre

- i. 'When evaluated' is indicative but may be carried out at any time throughout the selection process.
- ii. Equivalence to MOrth will be assumed if candidate is already on the General Dental Council Orthodontics Specialist List
- iii. Refers to the date at which the post commences.
- iv. Can be used as shortlisting criterion.
- v. The Support for Application to another region form, signed by the Training Programme Director of their current Specialty Training Programme confirming satisfactory progress must be submitted to the recruitment office at time of application.
- vi. Applications will only be considered if applicants provide a Support for Reapplication to a Specialty Training Programme form, signed by both the Training Programme Director/Head of School and the Postgraduate Dean in the Local Office/Deanery that the training took p lace. Extraordinary circumstances may be defined as a demonstrated change in circumstances, which can be shown on the ability to train at that time and may include severe personal illness or family caring responsibility incompatible with continuing to train. Completed forms must be submitted at the time of application. No other evidence will be accepted.