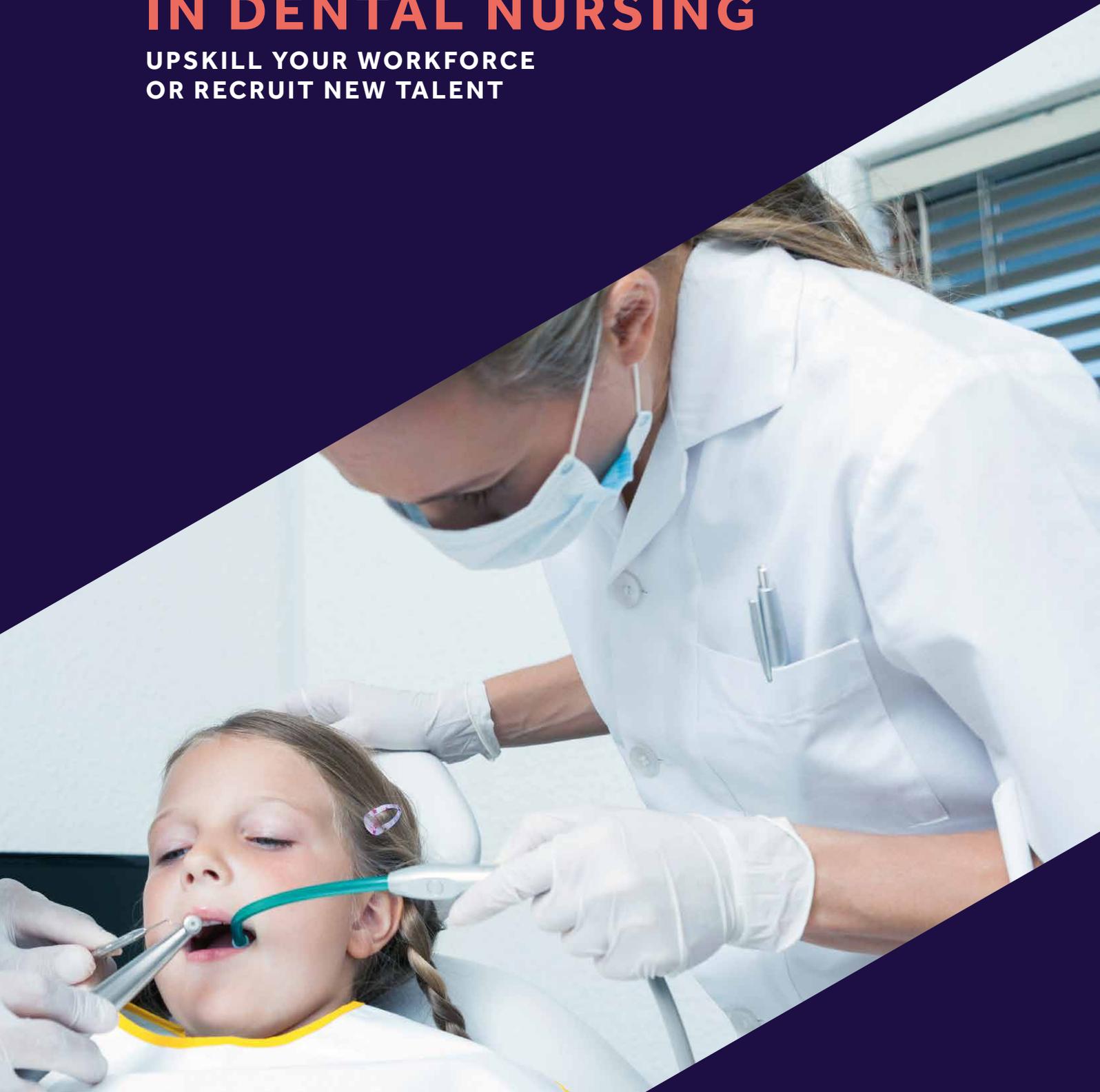




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APPRENTICESHIPS IN DENTAL NURSING

UPSKILL YOUR WORKFORCE
OR RECRUIT NEW TALENT





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At The Learning Foundry, we understand that, whatever an organisation's size, its people are fundamental to its success. By having the right people with the right skills, businesses can be confident they have strong foundations to grow and be successful.

Whether you're looking to bring new talent to your team, recruit an apprentice or upskill your existing employees, we will work closely with you to understand your individual training and recruitment requirements.

OFSTED rated 'Good' with over 25 years' experience, our full-service approach to employer training services and dental specific apprenticeship programmes takes the hassle out of recruiting new staff and developing your workforce.



What do we offer?

We have two levels of dental nursing programmes, developed to suit the specific needs of your business and sector.

- Dental Nursing (Level 3)
- Certificate in Healthcare and Support Services (Level 2) .

What are the levels equivalent to?

The levels allow you to choose an apprenticeship based on current skills and qualifications. Apprenticeships have equivalent educational levels:

| Name | Level | Equivalent educational level |
|--------------|-------|-------------------------------------|
| Advanced | 3 | 2 A-level passes |
| Intermediate | 2 | 5 GCSE passes at grades A*- C (9-4) |

All apprenticeships include elements of on-the-job and off-the-job training, leading to recognised standards or qualifications.





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Who are the qualifications for?

Level 3

This apprenticeship is for those working in the oral healthcare sector and is a recognised qualification with the General Dental Council, meaning it is a necessity for all dental nurses.

Level 2

This is ideal for individuals at the start of their career in dental nursing, and covers the essential skills needed for a career in the dental sector.

Apprenticeship funding

If your wage bill is over £3million, your costs will be fully covered by your levy contributions. If your wage bill is under £3 million, the government will pay 5% of your learner's training costs. If your apprentice is aged 16-18 and you employ fewer than 50 staff, you will pay nothing at all, and could receive up to £1,000 in incentive payments.

Why recruit an apprentice?

- 96% of employers that take on an apprentice report benefits to the business
- No recruitment fees – The Learning Foundry will find the ideal candidate for you
- Attract new talent and help with your succession planning
- Maximise the benefits you receive from your levy contributions.

Why choose The Learning Foundry?

- Established training provider with a social purpose - we invest our profits in our learners
- High quality training, rated 'Good' by Ofsted
- We offer bespoke training programmes, tailored to meet your individual business needs
- We have a team of highly professional, industry experienced tutors who understand what it takes for your business to succeed.





Level 3

DENTAL NURSING



Overview

Occupational profile

This level 3 apprenticeship is aimed at those currently working in an oral healthcare setting and provides an excellent start to a career in dentistry and oral health.

Duration

18 months.

Entry requirements

Learners must achieve Level 1 in English and Mathematics during initial assessment.

Qualification

Apprentices will achieve a practical and theory-based (or 'combined') qualification:

- Diploma in Healthcare Support Services
- Diploma in Healthcare Support Services (RQF).

Progression route

Level 3 is the professional qualification needed to work as a dental nurse and to register with the General Dental Council. Learners can progress to senior and specialist dental nursing roles, Dental Practice Manager, Hygiene Therapist and Dentist.

End Point Assessment

To successfully pass this diploma, one or more of the following assessments will be carried out:

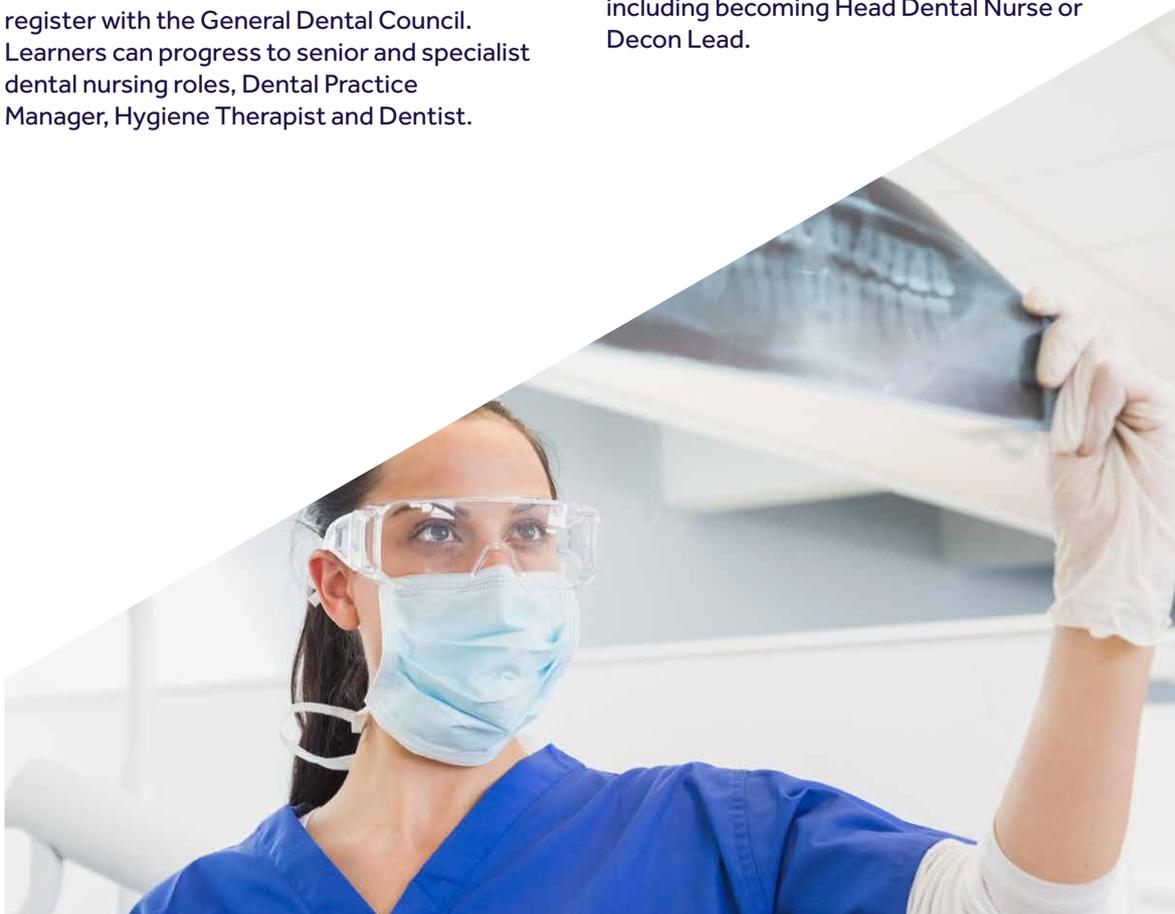
- Assignments
- Direct observation in a real work environment
- Professional discussion
- Projects
- Exams.

Results for Learner

On completion of this programme, learners can register with the General Dental Council and continue with their Continuous Professional Development. Learners can undertake further studies, including how to take dental impressions, radiation courses for taking dental x-rays and sedation courses.

Impact for Employer

All employers in the dental sector must have at least one registered and fully qualified nurse in their practice. This qualification also allows your staff to take on additional responsibilities, including becoming Head Dental Nurse or Decon Lead.



Unit summary: Dental Nurse Level 3

To complete Dental Nurse Level 3, learners must achieve all 15 units.

| Unit Title |
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| First aid essentials |
| Reducing the risk to health and safety in the dental setting |
| The role and responsibilities of a dental nurse |
| Prepare and maintain environments, instruments and equipment for clinical dental procedures |
| Principles of infection control in the dental environment |
| Provide chairside support for the assessment of patients' oral health |
| Contribute to the production of dental images |
| Provide chairside support for the prevention and control of periodontal disease and caries and the restoration of cavities |
| Provide chairside support for the provision of fixed and removable prostheses |
| Provide chairside support for non-surgical endodontic treatment |
| Provide chairside support for the extraction of teeth and minor oral surgery |
| Provide information and support to individuals on the protection of their oral health |
| Assessment of oral health and treatment planning |
| Dental radiography |
| Management of oral health diseases and dental procedures |

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Level 2

CERTIFICATE IN HEALTHCARE SUPPORT SERVICES



Overview

Occupational profile

This apprenticeship is an ideal starting point for anyone interested in a career in dental. Covering the essential key skills, it provides the perfect introduction to a career in the sector.

Duration

12 months.

Entry requirements

There are no formal entry requirements for this qualification.

Qualification

Apprentices will achieve a practical and theory-based (or 'combined') qualification:

- Certificate in Healthcare Support Services
- Certificate in Healthcare Support Services (RQF).

Progression route

This qualification provides the ideal pathway to the Level 3 Dental Nursing Advanced Apprenticeship and to a future career in dental nursing.

End Point Assessment

To successfully pass the programme, one or more of the following assessments will be carried out:

- Direct observation in a real work environment
- Assignments
- Professional discussions
- Projects.

Results for Learner

This course gives learners the essential skills needed for a career in dental including health and safety, infection prevention and control and effective team work.

Impact for Employer

Your qualified member of staff will have a full understanding of quality standards, safeguarding and the principles of preventing and controlling infection. In addition, your staff will also learn about effective team work and communication.



Unit summary: Certificate in Healthcare Support Services Level 2

To complete the Certificate in Healthcare Support Services Level 2, learners must achieve five mandatory units.

| Unit Title |
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| Introduction to personal development in health, social care or children's and young people's settings |
| Introduction to communication in health, social care or children's and young people's settings |
| Introduction to equality and inclusion in health, social care or children's and young people's settings |
| The role of the health and social care worker |
| Contribute to health and safety in health and social care |

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There are also a number of optional levels that can be completed, including:

| Unit Title |
|---|
| The principles of infection prevention and control |
| Causes and spread of infection |
| Principles of safeguarding and protection in health and social care |
| Maintaining quality standards in the health sector |
| Contribute to the effectiveness of teams |



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DELIVERY OPTIONS

Delivery of all programmes can be tailored to meet your individual business requirements. Examples of delivery options include:

- Monthly 1-1 assessor visits
- Workshops covering the skills and knowledge topics that meet both learner and business needs
- End Point Assessment preparation workshops
- Workbook resources and assessor support
- Quality progress reviews with assessor, learner and manager
- End Point Assessment (EPA).



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