Thank you for expressing an interest in Dental Sedation Courses: Conscious Sedation Training course for Dental Nurses assisting with dental sedation.

Our course aims to provide the practical and theoretical knowledge and skills needed to competently assist during routine conscious sedation procedures and follows the NEBDN Dental Sedation Nursing Curriculum. Click on the link or enter the address in your web browser to look at this.

The venue this year will be: -

Dependent on your location and will be confirmed closer to the examination time

Course Dates are as follows: -

Start Date: On or prior to 1st February 2020
Sampling Date 1: 1st April 2020
Sampling date 2: 15th June 2020
Record of Competence due date: 30th June 2020
Mock exam date: 30th July 2020
Written final exam date: 11th September 2020

The NEBDN qualifications are still regarded as the gold standard for a dental nurse to be recognised as the second appropriately trained person assisting in the care of patients receiving dental treatment under conscious sedation.

All NEBDN dental sedation qualifications will require you to achieve a balanced mixture of knowledge and practical skills, as well as demonstrating an appropriate professional attitude. To ensure the dental sedation qualifications reflect the areas of practice the dental nurse works in, they offer the following three options:

- Certificate in Dental Sedation Nursing covers all aspects of conscious sedation, IV as well as IHS
- Award in Inhalation Sedation Dental Nursing
- Award in Intravenous Sedation Dental Nursing

All three qualifications are at the same level. The titles ‘Award’ and ‘Certificate’ indicate the difference in the number of learning hours required to complete each qualification.
**A Record of Competence (RoC)** must be completed for all qualifications. It documents your assistance with sedation. The responsibilities in the Record of Competence will reflect your chosen pathway and will require evidence of you working within the type(s) of sedation with which you assist.

There are four sections to the RoC:
- Practical Competence Assessment Sheets (PCAS)
- Case studies
- Directly Observed Clinical Skills (DOCS) Assessments
- Supplementary Outcomes

Everything you document in your RoC must be witnessed by a supervising dentist or a sedation qualified dental nurse. In addition to this your supervisor **must give you supportive and reflective comments on your performance of various clinical skills associated with sedation**, D.O.C.S., (Directly Observed Clinical Skills) and PCAS (Practical Competence Assessment Sheets).

As a training organisation, Dental Sedation Courses have to sample and moderate (check for accuracy) the Records of Competence at least twice throughout the course.

Completion of a satisfactory Record of Competence is a requirement for entry to the examination. If the Record of Competence is not completed and witnessed correctly then you will not be eligible for entry to the examination and may have to defer exam entry (see notes below).

**If you work in an environment where you only regularly assist in one type of sedation, we strongly recommend that you should consider the Award qualifications (IV or IHS) rather than the full Certificate**, as our experience has shown that candidates in this situation have difficulty getting the number of suitable cases to consider the full Certificate.

Irrespective of which qualification you are striving for, **the theoretical teaching on the course will cover both forms of sedation. In the exam you will be tested through MCQs and EMQs in both IS and IV sedation theory.**

The course and examination therefore is only suitable for candidates engaged in either inhalation and/or intravenous sedation on a regular basis. **We would recommend that you need to do about four to six cases per week, and because you only have four to six months to complete the Record of Competence we would recommend that you speak to your dentist and start booking suitable cases in your appointment books in advance of the start of the course in September.**

Applicants **MUST be registered** with the General Dental Council or Irish Dental Council **at the time of application**, since the Record of Competence can only be obtained with this evidence.
Early application is recommended to give you as much time as possible; the lecture content of the course qualifies for verifiable CPD.

The course fee is £799 and includes exam entry fee and course textbook; Applications MUST close on 1st February 2020 for the September 2020 exam entry

You will need to email us the following documents as part of your application so please have these ready:

A recent photo for identification purposes.
A copy of your GDC or Irish Dental Council Certificate.
A completed NEBDN candidate registration form.

You will be asked for payment by credit card/debit card or invoice depending on preference.

Please note once accepted on the course, if you defer your entry for the September 2020 exam there will be a £60 deferral fee for NEBDN administrative costs associated with the exam and our ROC checking. You have 18 months from when you receive your ROC to complete the course in full including the written examination. If you need to resit, the resit examination fee is £175 and if there are no spaces at your local exam centre you may need to take the resit exam at the Manchester location only.

Please sign to confirm that you have read and understood this document.

Student Sign here……………………………………

Print Name………………………………

Kind regards,

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