Dental Surgeon Principal

Grade Code 197X

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 22 of the Health Act 2004, I hereby approve the qualifications, as set out hereunder, for the appointment and continuing as a **Dental Surgeon Principal** in the Health Service Executive.

1. Professional Qualifications & Experience

Candidates must

a) Hold a Degree, Licence or Diploma in Dental Surgery

and

b) Be registered in the Register of Dentists for Ireland or be entitled to be so registered. Any person holding the office must be registered in the Register of Dentists for Ireland.

and

c) Have had since becoming eligible under a) above at least 5 years satisfactory experience in the practice of public health or of hospital dentistry or a combination of both.

and

d) Possess a high standard of professional knowledge and experience in the area of Clinical Dentistry and have a satisfactory knowledge of the administrative aspects of the dental services.

2. Age Restrictions in Relation to Applications

No age restriction shall apply to a candidate except where he/she is not classified as a new entrant (within the meaning of the Public Service Superannuation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 2004). In this case the candidate must be under 65 years of age on the first day of the month in which the latest date for receiving completed application forms for the office occurs.

3. Health

A candidate for and any person holding the office must be fully competent and capable of undertaking the duties attached to the office and be in a state of health such as would indicate a reasonable prospect of ability to render regular and efficient service.

4. Character

Each candidate for and any person holding the office must be of good character.

5. Approved

Date: 9th January 2008

Signed:	Martin McDonald
	National Director of Human Resources