



**Dental Nurse, Senior (not involving the taking of Radiography)
Grade Code 6440**

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 **Dental Nurse, Senior (not involving the taking of Radiography)** in the Health Service Executive.

1. Statutory Registration, Professional Qualifications, Experience, etc

(a) Candidates must:

(i) Possess a Diploma in Dental Nursing from The University of Dublin/Dublin Dental University Hospital, or The University Dental School & Hospital Cork or NUI, Cork.

or

(ii) Possess the Higher Certificate in Science in Dental Nursing from Athlone Institute of Technology or Letterkenny Institute of Technology.

or

(iii) Holds a qualification in Dental Nursing awarded by National Examining Board of Dental Nursing (NEBDN) in the United Kingdom.

or

(iv) Be registered as a Dental Nurse with the Dental Council of Ireland or be entitled to be so registered.

or

(v) Hold a qualification in dental nursing which in the opinion of the Council is equivalent to (i), (ii) or (iii) above.

and

(vi) Candidates must have a minimum of 3 years (or an aggregate of 3 years fulltime) post qualification clinical experience.

and

(b) Candidates must have the clinical and administrative capacity to properly discharge the functions of the role.

2. Health

Candidates 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.

3. Character

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

Dated this 16th day of March two thousand and twenty.



Anne Marie Hoey
National Director of Human Resources