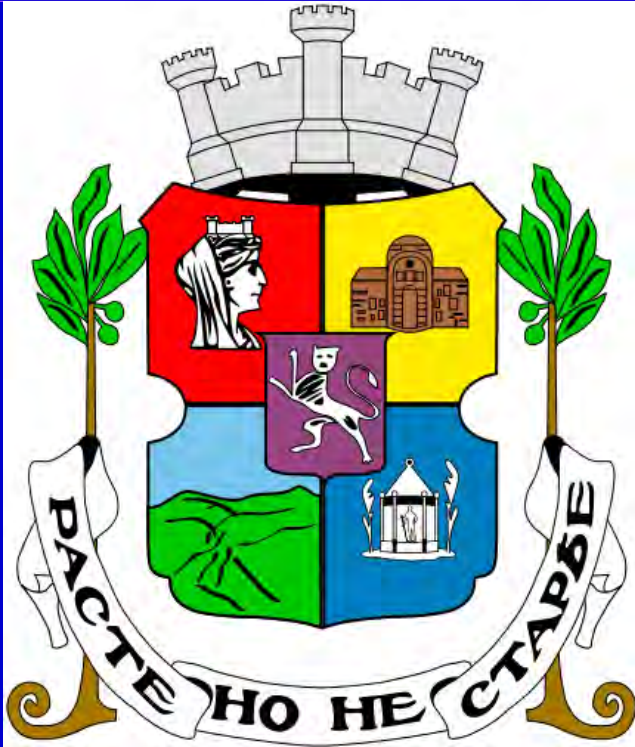


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W.G. DENTAL TEAM

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**On Behalf of WG Dental Team
Thanks for your support
in BAIHA!!!!!!**

HISTORICAL BACKGROUNDS





BIG QUESTION

DENTAL NURSE
or
DENTAL CHAIR-SIDE ASSISTANT?

YES or NO?



BIG QUESTION

- DO WE NEED NEW DENTAL PROFILES?
- DO CITIZENS DESERVE SUCH PROFILES FOR THEIR DENTAL CARE?
- WHAT ABOUT THE QUALITY OF TREATMENTS WITH or WITHOUT ?

GENERAL NURSING



PLANS



MANAGES



EVALUATES

He/She guarantees the correct applications for diagnostic-therapeutic prescriptions individually as well as in cooperation with other sanitary operators

To carry out the functions he/she needs, if necessary, the help of sanitary auxiliaries

He/She contributes to the training of the sanitary auxiliaries



IT 'S A MATTER OF

- Increase practice management
- Basic education and training
- Population and Society needs
- Dental market of the Country
- Needs of politics
- Evaluation of risk management
- Distribution and dilution of risks
- Evaluation of responsibilities

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DENTAL CHAIRSIDE ASSISTANT

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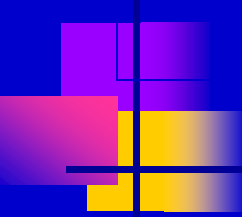
Target of this WG-meeting was to clearly define the position of Dental Chairside Assistants in Europe in relation to the subjects and duration of their training (School and Practise), responsibilities, continuing education courses and employment/assignment in a Dental Practise.

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- Governing Body
- Academic Requirements
- Training/Education
- Duties

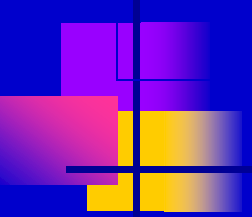
PREAMBLE



The detailed definition of the DCA Profile should help to align the post of DCA to the European Qualification Framework (EQF) to be introduced in 2012. Each country has to make a proposal on how to develop this concept, which contains the minimum criteria for a qualified DCA.

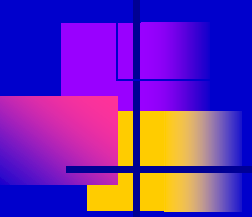
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PREAMBLE



The dental team, led by the dentist, is essential in the prevention of oral diseases and in ensuring the best possible quality of oral health care. All members of the dental team shall have the education and training appropriate to their areas of responsibility and be legally allowed to provide dental care always under the supervision and responsibility of a dentist.

PREAMBLE



Roles and responsibilities of all team members should be specified and defined by national regulatory bodies and/or professional dental organizations.

All members of the dental team may only use those dental qualifications or titles which have been approved by the competent dental authority in that country (legislation in the awarding country, place of work, country where they practise).

PREAMBLE

The auxiliaries in the dental team are allowed to:

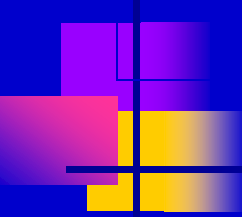
- carry out only the delegated tasks for which he/she is duly and legally qualified or trained pursuant to the provisions of the respective country
- carry out these tasks solely under the supervision of a dentist who shall be present in the dental practice
- refer back to the dentist any situation or task which is outside the competence and training of the team member
- accept and follow all directions and specifications provided by **the dentist including the protection of all patients' data**
- be trained on rules and code of behaviour towards the patients and within the dental team.

PREAMBLE

The dental team should:

- practise according to evidence-based dentistry and in compliance with humanitarian principles
- safeguard the oral health of patients irrespective of their individual status
- prevent illegal dentistry practices in terms of ethics and law.

PREAMBLE



The dental profession holds the view that a dental chairside assistant must have undergone basic training to a common agreed level and it will therefore work on an accredited training profile for the DCA.

The minimum training period, training venue and tasks should be defined and laid down.

For this reason, the European dental organizations will submit this DCA profile to its General Assembly on 15-16 April 2011 and forward it to the European legislative competent authorities to be applied in the Member States



Dental Chairside Assistant Professional Profile

The dental chairside assistant who is trained and examined according to the following professional profile works in private and public dental practices only in collaboration with the dentist. The qualified dental chairside assistant supports the dentist in administrative tasks and preparation, execution and follow-up of dental treatment.

DCA never be allowed to work in the mouth of the patient.

Dental Chairside Assistant Professional Profile



During the training, the qualified DCA shall acquire skills and knowledge in the following fields which are listed in the annex:

- Biomedical Sciences, Oral Biology and Diseases
- First Aid and Medical Emergencies
- Dental Biomaterials Science
- Dental Radiography
- Behavioural Sciences, Communication Skills and Health Informatics
- Law, Ethics and Professionalism

Dental Chairside Assistant Professional Profile



During the training, the qualified DCA shall acquire skills and knowledge in the following fields which are listed in the annex:

- Pain and Anxiety Control
- Chairside Support
- Human Diseases
- Health, Safety and Infection Control
- Patient Information
- Administration



Dental Chairside Assistant Professional Profile

Trainee Admission

Compulsory school education: secondary school - i.e. the school leaver has attended school for 9-10 years. A DCA trainee shall be at least 15 years old.



Dental Chairside Assistant Professional Profile

Minimum Training Requirements

3 years' practical training at an accredited institution of education and/or in a registered dental surgery; during the 3-year training at least 500 hours of theory must be completed at an accredited school;

Dental Chairside Assistant Professional Profile



The training establishments shall guarantee the following minimal requirements:

Training centres:

- training centres accredited by the competent regulatory authority in the country

Trainer qualification:

- tutors: teaching qualification in the field of dentistry, sufficient professional experience and teaching experience in the field of dentistry

Essential facilities and equipment:

- room for theory lessons and teaching materials in conformity with current legislation
- training opportunities with the basic equipment of a dental surgery

Dental Chairside Assistant Professional Profile



Final Examination

Admission to the final examination is subject to the positive presentation of the candidate and is approved by the organizing body on the basis of tests and internal admission examinations.

The qualification issued by the statutory testing body is awarded only after a practical exercise and a final examination in front of a committee composed of the competent authorities and representatives of national dental associations.



Dental Chairside Assistant Professional Profile

Acquired Rights/Transitional Conditions

All Dental Chairside Assistants who, up until the coming into force of this profile, have been working for a period of at least two years in public or private dental practices carrying out the appropriate tasks of a DCA and can provide an officially certified proof of employment have the right to have their total employment period in dental practices recognized as accredited prior learning.

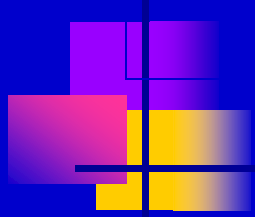


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Dental Chairside Assistant Professional Profile



Continuing Education

A DCA is expected to attend continuing education courses in line with the specific requirements of the country concerned.



Dental Chairside Assistant Professional Profile

Register/Regulatory Authority

This is not compulsory.

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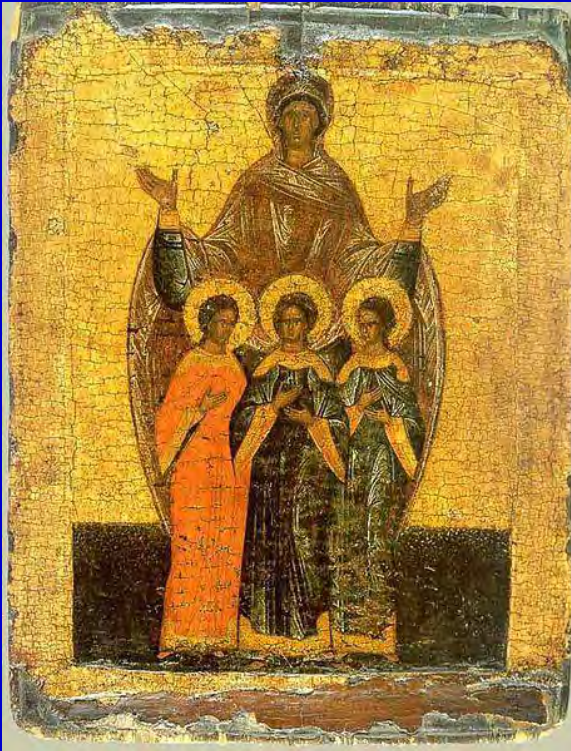
DENTAL CHAIRSIDE ASSISTANT

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shall Dental Chairside Assistants in Europe have a comparable training with automatic recognition and do we need a regulatory system?

ANNEXES

DENTAL CHAIRSIDE ASSISTANT



**Profile of
learning
outcomes**

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It was clear that a European Qualification Body for different qualification stages up to 2012 is absolutely needed to facilitate the mobility of dental care professionals.

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The differences from country to country are enormous !!

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Despite these remarkable differences, these countries share mutual needs, interests, targets of the profession. To have a Dental Chairsides Assistant (DCA) in the practice is something dentists hope for.

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The WG agrees on the fact that DCA must have a basic common agreed level and therefore, it will work on a qualified training profile for DCA.

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Each country has then to find out how to develop this concept.

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It was also very clear that WG is absolutely against any kind of compulsory standardisation. The concept is just an exhortation that has actually to be developed.

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DCA is the trained Assistant working together with the dentist in his operative room and assists him in a 4-hands-work, no relationship with Nurse's profile according former EU Directives.



Open questions

- **Language testing (Art. 53)**
 - **Necessary for practice, not for registration**
 - **I.e. Knowledge of languages is not a prerequisite for the recognition of professional qualifications**



Open questions

**If you are agree and carry this Statement
next Meeting already fixed for July , 16
will have as main Topic :**

Dental Hygienist!!!!

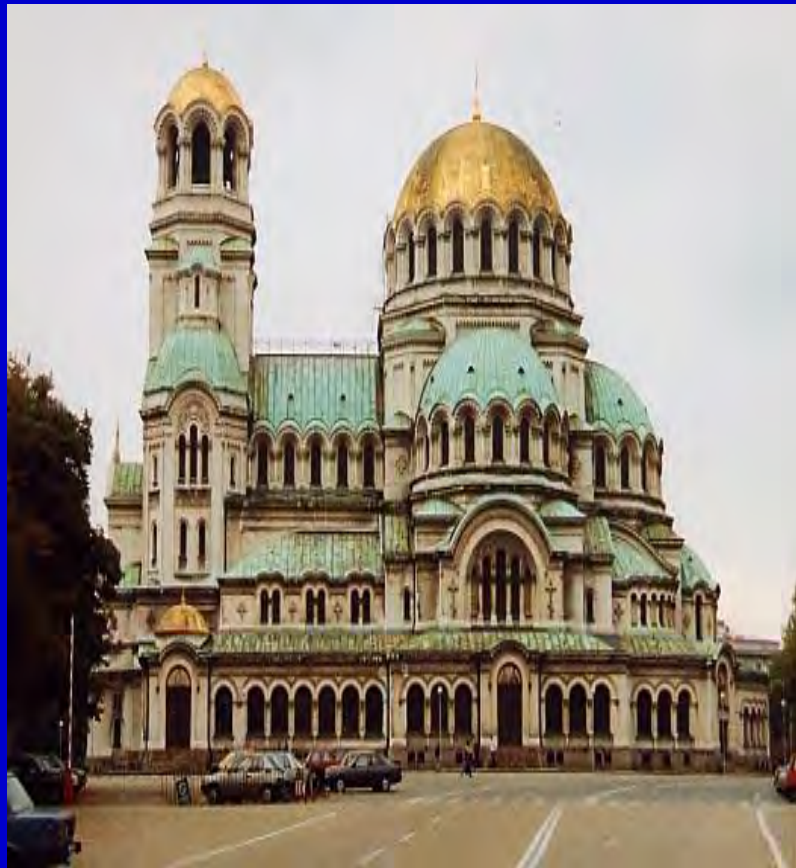


Open questions

It was also considered this morning to ask this Plenary to address a short voted statement-letter to CED Board.

We ask to underline that DH can't practice without the presence of Dentist and always and in any case with Dentist's prescription/s .

IT'S OUR OWN DECISION



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**Thanks for
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