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We are writing to update you on a change to the qualifications required in order to continue to refer patients for CBCT scans.

Following the publication of <u>new dental guidance notes</u> last Autumn, (see pages 61 & 62) the latest recommended 'adequate training' standard for dental practice staff referring for dental CBCT scans is to complete Level 1 (Core) training in dental CBCT.

How to continue to refer patients for scans at Devonshire House?

We appreciate that during the current pandemic it is difficult to update qualifications quickly and access courses. Therefore, for all dentists wishing to continue to refer patients to us for scans, no immediate action is required and we will continue to accept previous qualifications as already submitted with your service level agreement. However, to ensure that we adhere to the new recommended adequate training standard, we ask that from 1st Sept 2021, you will need to provide certified evidence that you have completed a Level 1 (Core) Training Course in order to refer patients to us for scans. (If you refer patients for CBCT scans to a provider other than Devonshire House, this may not be the case so please check with your scan referral centre for full details).

<u>Suggested Level 1 Courses – to refer patients for scans</u>

Recommended training is 12 hours, up to which five hours could be verifiable CPD in radiography and radiation protection and the remaining 7 hours the Level 1 Core training Course.

If you have not yet completed a Level 1 (Core) Course, we can recommend JM Radiology the training provider we are using for our dentists to update their training. JM Radiology provides 7 hours of verifiable CPD using online modules. Please click on the button at the end of this email for full course details. (After qualification, refresher training must be undertaken to continue education and training).

New training standard for reporting on scans

If you wish to continue to report on scans, the latest recommended 'adequate training' standard for dental practice staff is to complete Level 2 (Further) CBCT Course. Again we will continue to accept previous qualifications as already submitted with your service level agreement until 1st Sept 2021, from

when you will need to provide certified evidence that you have completed a 6 hour Level 2 (Further) CBCT Course.

If you have any questions relating to the new guidance, please don't hesitate to contact Natasha or Sally for further advice.

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Alternatively, please refer to pages 61 and 62 of the new guidance notes using the button below.

Kind regards
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JM Radiology Courses

Dental guidance notes See pages 61 & 62

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