

NIMDTA Specialty Monitoring Report – January 2023

Name of Training Commissioner: Northern Ireland Medical & Dental Training Agency (NIMDTA)

Name of Education Quality Assurance Lead: Martin McElvanna

Date of monitoring: January 2023

Action no./ (Requirement)	Progress towards report actions	Date Action resolved	Outstanding aspects of Action	Further review date (If action not resolved at point of review)
1 (P2)	<p>Action 1: The protocol for the identification of DSTs should be submitted alongside evidence of implementation in practice.</p> <p>NIMDTA updated us with confirmation that lanyards have been provided to all Dental Specialty Trainees within the LEP. The widespread use of lanyards was confirmed by the Chair at the Hospital Dentistry Committee (HDC) on 10 November 2022.</p> <p>NIMDTA confirmed that the Dental Specialty Training Handbook has been updated with clearer information to patients required of Specialty Trainees during their training, covering care provision, trainee introduction to patients, use of lanyards and clearer correspondence to patients.</p> <p>We now consider that Requirement P2 is now Met.</p>	January 2023	None	None
2 (P6)	<p>Action 2: NIMDTA should forward the “NIMDTA Raising and Managing Concerns” policy once it has received approval at the next QMG meeting.</p>	January 2023	None	None

	<p>NIMDTA explained that this document is still awaiting sign off. NIMDTA has assured us they will provide the GDC with this document when it becomes available.</p> <p>We now consider that Requirement P2 is now Met.</p>			
2 (P6)	<p>Action 3: NIMDTA should provide evidence of how the NIMDTA Deanery Visit Report of December 2021 recommendations relating to “openness on the part of trainees and to protect them from any adverse consequences in relation to raising concerns” have been satisfactorily actioned.</p> <p>NIMDTA explained that on review of this action and the recommendation contained within it “Proactive steps need to be taken to encourage openness on the part of trainees and to protect them from any adverse consequences in relation to raising concerns”, NIMDTA wish to clarify that this recommendation is part of the standardised visit template and is not LEP specific.</p> <p>More broadly, NIMDTA explained that it encourages openness on the part of the trainee.</p> <p>We now consider that Requirement P6 is now Met.</p>	January 2023	None	None