

Prevention and Treatment of Periodontal Diseases in Primary Care Practitioner Survey

The [Scottish Dental Clinical Effectiveness Programme \(SDCEP\)](#) updated its *Prevention and Treatment of Periodontal Diseases in Primary Care* guidance earlier this year. To help support the implementation of the guidance, we are inviting you to participate in an online survey.

1. What is the purpose of the survey?

The purpose of the survey is to obtain the views of dental professionals about aspects of the updated guidance and identify any barriers and facilitators to implementing the recommendations within it. The experiences and feedback from dental professionals are extremely useful for identifying areas where additional support may be required for implementation.

2. Why am I being invited to participate?

You have been invited to participate because you are a dentist, dental hygienist, dental therapist or dental nurse working in primary care dentistry in Scotland.

3. Do I have to take part?

No, participation is voluntary. You should only complete the survey if you are happy to do so. If you do not wish to take part, you do not have to give a reason.

4. What will happen to me if I participate?

If you wish to complete the survey, click the link in the invitation email. This will take you to an online form which is made up of several sections, asking questions about the key recommendations within the guidance, oral hygiene instruction, the supporting tools that accompany the guidance, your thoughts on the format of the guidance, and some demographic questions about you. The survey is anonymous and you will not be able to be identified from your responses.

5. What will happen to the results from the survey?

The results from the survey will be used by the SDCEP team to help support the implementation of the updated *Prevention and Treatment of Periodontal Diseases in Primary Care* guidance. The information collected from the survey may also be published in peer-reviewed research journals or at conferences. It will not be possible to identify you in any report or publication arising from this work. There are no known risks for participants associated with participation.

If you would like more information about this project, please contact SDCEP by emailing scottishdental.cep@nes.scot.nhs.uk