

Notice Under the Legislation Act 2019 of Prescribed Qualifications for Scope of Practice for Oral Pathology Specialists

Under the Legislation Act 2019, notice is given of the making of the following secondary legislation:

<i>Title</i>	<i>Empowering provision(s)</i>	<i>Administering agency</i>	<i>Effective date</i>
Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003	Section 12	Dental Council	11 October 2024

This secondary legislation can be accessed at <http://dcnz.org.nz/resources-and-publications/resources/gazette-notices/>.

This notice is issued by the Dental Council pursuant to section 12 of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003.

The following replaces the prescribed qualifications for oral pathology specialists published in the [New Zealand Gazette, 19 January 2023, 2023-sl78](#). The scope of practice and competencies for oral pathology specialists published in in the [New Zealand Gazette, 19 January 2023, 2023-sl78](#) remain unchanged.

Prescribed qualifications for the scope of practice for oral pathology specialists

New Zealand

- MDS (Oral Pathology) University of Otago.
- DClintDent (Oral Pathology) University of Otago.

Australia

- An ADC accredited MDS or MDSc or DClintDent programme in oral pathology.¹
- A Dental Board of Australia approved programme of study providing a qualification for the purposes of specialist registration in oral pathology in Australia.²

Australasia

- Fellowship in Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology from the Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia³.

Other

- Two years or more of full-time equivalent postgraduate training in the specialty, evidence of research activity and a pass in the New Zealand Oral Pathology Specialist Examination.

Endnotes

¹. Before 30 June 2010, and before 17 October 2010 for Western Australia.

². From 1 July 2010 onwards, and 18 October 2010 onwards for Western Australia.

³. Conferred from 2016. Accreditation ended 31 December 2023.