# DFT Scheme: BLACKBURN

Geographical spread: Bury, Blackburn, Burnley, Darwen, Rossendale, Nelson

# Training Programme Director

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# Study Day and venue: FRIDAY

The Royal Blackburn Hospital Haslingden Road

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# Scheme start date: SEPTEMBER intake

The Blackburn scheme is one of 5 schemes in the North West, and work closely with the other schemes in Lancaster, Pennine, Wythenshawe and North Manchester to deliver a vibrant and future-oriented programme.

The Blackburn Scheme is based in the modern, well appointed Education Centre on the new hospital site, where many of the study days take place. We have annual trips to London to visit the BDA and GDC, and also attend the Young Dentist's Conference. We also have several hands-on sessions including oral surgery, prosthetics, occlusion, advanced restorative, composites and implants.

The training practices are located in beautiful East Lancashire, and range from traditional multi-surgery practices, through enhanced training centres to Dental Access Centres, giving applicants to the scheme an unrivalled choice of experience.

The TPD, Mark Ray, is a GDP in Bolton, with an interest in implants and oral surgery. He launched the Blackburn Training Scheme after running a pilot DF2 scheme for HE North West (Manchester Office). He has a keen interest in dental education, and is currently doing a part-time PhD. He also works on the Fitness to Practice Committee of the GDC.