

## Study Days (Day Release Course) – General Information

Most of the sessions are based at the Postgraduate Centres at Aintree, Blackburn Chester, Lancaster, Liverpool, Manchester, Pennine, Whiston, and Wythenshawe, but there are opportunities for visits to other venues. These include local laboratories, conferences and “hands-on” facilities at MANDEC, Lancaster and Whiston.

Most study days will include problem-solving sessions where issues of a clinical or interpersonal nature can be discussed with your peers. It is amazing how many people have the same difficulties.

The structure of the study days is based around the Dental Foundation Curriculum but is not rigid and will be influenced by you, the FD, so your full participation and preparation for them is a must.

Attendance at all the study days on the programme is an essential criterion of satisfactory completion of the foundation year. **Non-attendance will affect you receiving your certificate.**

### Important Points to Remember

- Times of sessions – see course programme.
- In the event of unavoidable absence telephone, the TPD immediately.
- Preparation for the Study days is vital for you to be able to participate fully. The programme for the following week should be discussed in your “in practice” tutorial. It is also helpful to reflect on the subjects dealt with in the preceding week.
- The start time for each day is indicated in the programme. It is worth remembering that this is the time at which the first session will begin and that you will be expected to be present before the start time. Late arrival at a session may well mean that you are recorded as being ‘absent’ for the session.
- Dental Foundation Training is preparation for membership of a profession. Accordingly, professional standards of dress are expected at the study day. Jeans, T-Shirts and Trainers are not appropriate.

- A record of attendance will be kept. Non-attendance could prevent certification of completion of the course.

### Study Day Term Dates 2019 – 2020

Term 1	2 September 2019	13 December 2019
Term 2	6 January 2020	27 March 2020
Term 3	1 May 2020	26 June 2020

Attendance at the study days is an essential part of Dental Foundation Training and therefore holidays must **NOT** be taken during the study day programme.

Study days are usually on a Thursday at Wythenshawe and on Fridays for all other schemes.