**Information for PDSE Laboratory Teaching 2022**

Peninsula Dental Social Enterprise is looking for expressions of interest from suppliers for the provision of dental Laboratory teaching sessions. These sessions are for University of Plymouth students undertaking clinical placement at Dental Education Facilities across Devon and Cornwall.

**Introduction**

Peninsula Dental Social Enterprise CIC (PDSE) was founded in 2013 and is responsible for running four Dental Education Facilities across the Southwest, with clinics in Exeter, Truro and two in Plymouth.

PDSE continues to tackle oral health inequalities in the Southwest, through training dentists/dental therapists and treating patients whilst providing and promoting oral health education in the communities served. The treatment is provided by The University of Plymouth’s Peninsula Dental School students and PDSEs dediated clinical team.

There are currently 383 students undertaking BDS Dental Surgery and BSc in Dental Hygiene Therapy. They undertake clinical placement for approximately 38 weeks per year.

Students are required to understand the lab process associated with delivering dentistry, and this teaching will support this. A list of provisional teaching session topics and locations is provided for academic year. (This is subject to change).

**Vision, mission and values**

Our Vision

To provide excellent primary dental care services to our communities, while providing the best clinical placement facilities for dental students of any UK dental school.

Our Mission

* To address oral health inequalities in the southwest, treating patients in our teaching clinics who may otherwise find it difficult to access services.
* To provide clinical training for dental students and other dental care professionals to the highest standards of clinical practise.
* To engage with our local communities, supporting health improvement agendas and working in partnership to promote positive lifestyle choices.

Our values

* To put our patients’ interests first
* To be clinically led, valuing the knowledge, skills and experience of all our staff
* Promoting disease prevention and good oral health in our communities
* Delivering the highest quality service standards
* Driving improvement and innovation
* Honesty and integrity, promoting equality and diversity

Strategic aims

Over the next five years we will:

* Deliver more and improved levels of care for patients
* Enhance clinical training opportunities for dental care professionals and students
* Invest in our equipment and buildings to provide the best facilities
* Support the development of dental healthcare education and research
* Develop our community engagement activity and partnerships to expand access to services for disadvantaged groups

**Requirements**

It is anticipated that the contract will commence on 1st August 2022 for two years with an option to extend for a further year.

All bidders must have and be able to provide GDC registration and relevant lab Technician qualifications.

They will also need to provide an up to date, enhanced DBS check.

All materials used in the manufacture of appliances must meet the essential requirements of the MDR/MHRA/ISO.

You must possess and be able to provide all appropriate insurance and professional indemnity to deliver this service.

**Service Level Agreement**

Before contract commencement, a service level agreement will be established between PDSE/University of Plymouth and the contractor. This will include minimum expectations and key performance indicators on quality, service and communication.