

## **CIRCULAR NO. (9/2022)**

| From    | : | Department of Healthcare Professions / Ministry of Public Health                     |  |
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| То      | : | All Healthcare Practitioners in Healthcare sectors in the State of Qatar             |  |
|         |   | • All Healthcare Facilities/focal points in healthcare sectors in the State of Qatar |  |
| Subject | : | Introducing a new specialty in the field of Oral & Maxillofacial Radiology           |  |
| Date    | : | 29 June 2022   |  |

"The Department of Healthcare Professions presents to you, its compliments."

In alignment with the Department of Healthcare Professions'(DHP) goals and strategic missions, and in (DHP) pursuit to improve the quality of health services provided in the field of dentistry, based on PLC decision in meeting no. 10 dated 06/06/2022, it had been decided to introduce a new dental specialty (Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology) in order to provide the highest up- to- date global standard of safe dental care to patients in the fields of dentistry.

This circular is effective from its date.

## Thank you for your cooperation, Registration section/ Department of Healthcare Professions

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## CRITERIA FOR REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS – ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL RADIOLOGY



## Criteria for Registration Requirements – Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology

| Criteria          | Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology  |
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| Definition        | Oral and maxillofacial radiology is the specialty of dentistry and discipline of radiology concerned with the production and interpretation of images and data produced by all modalities of radiant energy that are used for the diagnosis and management of diseases, disorders, and conditions of the oral and maxillofacial region. |
|                   | Oral and maxillofacial radiology, also known as dental and maxillofacial radiology, is concerned with the performance and interpretation of various diagnostic imaging used for examining the craniofacial, dental, and adjacent structures.  |
|                   | Undergraduate dental education with a minimum of 5 years' duration.   |
| Education         | • Minimum 2 years' Clinical Post Graduate OMR degree from countries *within* the Approved Qualifications list in the Dentist Guidelines.  |
| Requirements      | *Holders of Post Graduate degrees from countries not among the Approved Qualifications list cannot be licensed in the state of Qatar as a Specialist nor as a General Dentist with other dentistry scopes. (Refer to Circular 11/2021).   |
| Licensure         | Candidates should have a valid license/registration certificate accompanying the required years of experience   |
| Experience        | Work experience in the same specialty or combined with other dentistry scopes as per the approved qualifications list.  |
|                   | • OMR Specialist are entitled to perform the following privileges:  |
|                   | Dental radiograph fabrication/diagnostic image interpretation like  |
|                   | Intraoral Periapical radiographs, bitewing, occlusal.   |
|                   | Dental panoramic imaging  |
|                   | Cephalometric imaging   |
| Scope of Practice | Head and neck ultrasound images   |
|                   | Sialography (imaging of the salivary glands)  |
|                   | Cone beam computed tomography (CBCT)  |
|                   | Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)  |
|                   | Positron emission tomography  |
|                   | <b>Note:</b> OMR specialist are entitled to perform only imaging procedures and not for any related clinical procedures.  |



| Competency validation  | Verification of the educational qualifications and relevant graduate clinical experience.   |  |  |
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| Other<br>Requirement for<br>Evaluation &<br>Registration   | (Refer to DHP requirement for license registration/Evaluation) https://dhp.moph.gov.qa/en/<br>Pages/HowToRegisterToPracticeInQatar.aspx |  |  |
| Requirements<br>for License<br>renewal   | (Refer to the DHP requirements for license Renewal) https://dhp.moph.gov.qa/en/Pages/<br>HowToRegisterToPracticeInQatar.aspx            |  |  |
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