



## Taste of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

This programme is designed to encourage anyone who has an interest in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery to build this interest, widen their knowledge, increase their experience and deepen their understanding.

We hope that this will be an introduction to the specialty. It is **trainee led** using the freely available resources. The Taste programme is open access to anyone. Membership of BAOMS is not required, just some enthusiasm and a little time.

**“Participation”** (completion of minimum number of elements) and **“Completion”** (specified number of elements in a 12 month period) are **verified by a local OMFS trainer or trainee** using a simple checklist.

On receipt of the verified checklist by the BAOMS office ([office@baoms.org.uk](mailto:office@baoms.org.uk)), the trainee will be e-mailed a letter of thanks from the BAOMS President to add to their portfolio. The text of the letters can be found on the BAOMS site under the [Taste of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery](#) dropdown.

The two levels, participation and completion, are detailed below.

**If you are interested in Participation or Completion, please [Register Your Interest](#) before you start – we will send you useful links and information.**

### ‘Participation’ in Taste of OMFS – 6 elements (3 primary, 3 supplemental)

By selecting the elements which interest them the most, we hope that early stage trainees in medicine or dentistry (undergraduate, Foundation or Core/DCT) might develop an interest in OMFS. The participation domains are detailed on the domain list and checklists.

Sign-off of the completed checklist can be undertaken by an OMFS trainer or specialty trainee – face to face or virtually. This step gives the opportunity to talk with someone who is committed to the specialty.

When a signed form (or form supported by a verifying e-mail) is forwarded to [office@baoms.org.uk](mailto:office@baoms.org.uk) - the BAOMS office. A “Letter of Participation” will be supplied, signed by the BAOMS President.

### ‘Completion’ of Taste of OMFS– all primary and some supplemental elements

To complete the programme all the domains on the checklist should be covered. This may take a little time, but will be well worth it. If there are elements which are missing and should be there, let us know. Similarly, if there are elements which you find not worth the effort, we would also like to hear from you.

Sign-off of the completed checklist can be undertaken by an OMFS trainer or specialty trainee – face to face or virtually. This step gives the participant the opportunity to talk with someone who is committed to the specialty. If you cannot find an OMFS trainer or trainee locally, BAOMS will arrange for a virtual meeting.

A letter confirming completion will be supplied, signed by the BAOMS President.

Trainees are encouraged to achieve more than the minimum requirements and complete the desirable domains where possible.

### Taste of OMFS Summary

- Trainee driven – no formal involvement of OMFS Training Programme Director (TPD)
- Checklist of resources and opportunities
- Documentation is a participation checklist signed by an OMFS trainer or trainee (locally or virtually via BAOMS)
- BAOMS President will acknowledge receipt of the checklist and the level of completion (participation or completion)
- BAOMS membership not required, but recommended.

**If your interest is stirred by this Taste, join BAOMS and sign up for the BAOMS Mentoring and Support Programme (MSP)**