



## Accreditation Summary Report

<b>Program name</b>	Bachelor of Oral Health [BOH]
<b>Program provider</b>	Central Queensland University
<b>Accredited campus(es)</b>	Rockhampton
<b>Program length</b>	3 years
<b>Registration category</b>	Dental hygienist Dental therapist Oral health therapist
<b>Qualification type</b>	Higher education – Undergraduate
<b>Australian Qualifications Framework Level</b>	Level 7
<b>Accreditation standards version</b>	June 2010, version 1.0
<b>Date of site evaluation</b>	25 July 2012
<b>Date of ADC decision</b>	05 October 2012
<b>Accreditation outcome</b>	Continued accreditation with conditions
<b>Accreditation end date</b>	31 December 2015

### Background

The Bachelor of Oral Health (BOH) program of Central Queensland University (CQU) commenced in Semester 1, 2012.

The program was first accredited subject to conditions in February 2012 until the date of completion of the program by the first cohort of graduates (31 December 2015).

One condition of accreditation was that a further accreditation visit occur within six months. This summary relates to the Australian Dental Council's (ADC) accreditation outcome following the visit by an ADC Site Evaluation Team (SET) in 2012.

### Summary of the outcomes of the ADC's accreditation

In carrying out the assessment of the CQU's BOH program the SET interviewed a wide range of individuals, staff, committees, students and other stakeholders and visited the simulation facility and the building site of the campus-based health clinic. The SET viewed favourably the development of this campus based clinic, which includes space for six dental chairs.

The ADC found that while the School had made satisfactory progress against the conditions imposed in February 2012 a range of matters remained to be addressed. These included issues about staffing and clinical placements for all students. The ADC recommended additional administrative support is needed for curriculum development and for securing the necessary clinical placements for students. The ADC found that relevant oral health academics needed to be included in curriculum review and development processes.

The School will update the ADC about staff recruitment, including the employment of a clinic coordinator and provide the ADC with an analysis of chair usage, timetabling and placement locations to ensure students have adequate clinical experience. The School will also continue its efforts to secure the necessary clinical placements for students, establish the necessary agreements with external agencies and continue to explore the supervisory requirements for dental hygienists and dental therapists with Queensland Health to maximise potential for clinical placements.

The ADC commended the School on its initiative to explore the potential for student placements with residential care facilities.

### **ADC's accreditation decision**

On 5 October 2012 the ADC Board determined to continue accreditation of the Bachelor of Oral Health program at Central Queensland University, with the following **conditions**:

- (a) Ongoing submission of quarterly reports to the ADC with evidence that the program is making satisfactory progress with staffing as specified in their recruitment plan;
- (b) Ongoing submission of quarterly reports to the ADC with evidence that the program is making satisfactory progress in relation to clinical placement opportunities;
- (c) Ongoing submission of quarterly reports to the ADC demonstrating satisfactory progress in addressing all recommendations of the August 2012 accreditation report.