



Accreditation Summary Report

Program provider	TAFE NSW Sydney Institute
Program/qualification name	Advanced Diploma of Dental Prosthetics
Program/qualification abbreviation	Adv Dip Dent Pros
Program/qualification code	HLT60412
Head office address, including State	Sydney Institute TAFE, Randwick College, Darley Road, Randwick, New South Wales
Approved campus(es)	Sydney Dental Hospital
Program length	2 years part time
Registration division	Dental Prosthetist
Registration specialty	Not Applicable
Qualification type	Vocational Education and Training (VET) qualification
Program type	Advanced Diploma – AQF Level 6
Accreditation standards version	September 2011 version 1.0 <i>Updated December 2012 - Version 1.2</i>
Date of site evaluation	4 - 5 June 2013
Date of ADC decision	9 August 2013
Type of accreditation	Initial accreditation
Accreditation start date	9 August 2013
Accreditation end date	8 August 2018

Background

TAFE NSW Sydney Institute's Advanced Diploma of Dental Prosthetics (Adv Dip Dent Pros) has been commenced in 1984. The Australian Dental Council (ADC) visited the program for the first time in June 2013.

The program is also accredited within the Vocational Education and Training sector and therefore needs to meet both the ADC and the Australian Skills Quality Authority's accreditation requirements.

Summary of ADC program evaluation

The Adv Dip Dent Pros program was evaluated by an ADC Site Evaluation Team (SET) which visited teaching, laboratory and library facilities at the Randwick College campus and the Sydney Dental Hospital. The SET interviewed administration and teaching staff and students and reviewed a range of documentation.

The program uses facilities within the Sydney Dental Hospital. The teaching staff have wide ranging experience in the field of dental technology and removable prosthetics and are enthusiastic and committed to the program.

The program is producing graduates with the skills and experience needed for practice. However, the program's admission policies and procedures could be improved, formalised and applied more consistently.

Although current delivery arrangements meet the requirements for practice, students would benefit from an extension of the theoretical content delivered in alternative forms.

ADC's accreditation decision

The ADC has accredited the TAFE NSW Sydney Institute Advanced Diploma of Dental Prosthetics program for a period of five (5) years from 9 August 2013 until 8 August 2018 subject to the following conditions:

1. That the Institute provides to the ADC by 30 November 2013 evidence that it has in place standardised application and admission policies and procedures that apply published criteria to the selection of all candidates in a manner that aligns fully with the requirements of Standard 7.
2. That a further review of the program occur in three (3) years to assess the implementation of the new training package against Standards 8, 11 and 12