

As dental professionals, we must be registered with the General Dental Council and meet their standards. There are nine principles that we must follow:

- 1 Put patients' interests first
- 2 Communicate effectively with patients
- 3 Obtain valid consent
- 4 Maintain and protect patients' information
- 5 Have a clear and effective complaints procedure
- 6 Work with colleagues in a way that is in patients' best interests
- 7 Maintain, develop and work within our professional knowledge and skills
- 8 Raise concerns if patients are at risk
- 9 Make sure our personal behaviour maintains confidence in us and the dental profession

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