

Critical Conditions – Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

OMFS manages a large number of individual conditions as described in the syllabus. Assessment of a trainee's ability to manage these is through the supervision level decisions made when assessing the shared CiPs via the MCR.

The critical conditions are of significant importance for patient safety and to demonstrate a safe breadth of practice. To ensure that trainees have the necessary skills in the critical conditions below, by certification (the end of phase 3) there should be documented evidence in the portfolio of performance at the level of a day-one consultant by means of the CBD or CEX as appropriate (to level 4: *Appropriate for certification*. See CBD/CEX forms for the full list of levels). There is no requirement for a certain number of CBDs and CEXs), however.

- 1) Life-threatening airway compromise
- 2) Sepsis of the head and neck
- 3) Sight-threatening trauma
- 4) Haemorrhage arising from the face, mouth, jaws and neck
- 5) Malignancy of the head and neck