



ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF LOCAL DENTAL COMMITTEES

FRIDAY 13 JUNE 2008

CONFERENCE MOTIONS

LDC Issues

1. Norfolk LDC (Nick Stolls): This Conference believes that selection of LDC members should be the decision of local dentists and not the PCT.
2. Northamptonshire LDC (Steve Lennon): This Conference must recognise its limited role in affecting change for the benefit of those it represents and the patients it serves.
3. Norfolk LDC (Jason Stokes): This Conference insists that any changes as to how NHS dentistry is provided compared to the activity year is fully funded to prevent the deplorable situation that occurred with single use endodontic instruments.

Contract Issues

4. North Tyneside LDC (Jane Ainsworth): This Conference urges GDPC to re-open negotiations with the Department of Health and to formulate a contract for NHS dentistry which encourages the improved oral health of the population through a system of long term patient registration and a remuneration element based in the majority on capitation.
5. Enfield and Haringey LDC (Trevor Payne): This Conference believes a + 4% tolerance for over performance should apply to all PCTs and the Department of Health should instruct all PCTs to refund all patient charges to practice for any excess overproduction above 4%.

6. Leicestershire and Rutland LDC (Philip Martin): This Conference opposes reduction in UDA values in order to equalise PCT values without clear evidence of needs assessments showing such action is justified.
7. Northumberland LDC (Richard Grant): This Conference requests clarification on seniority payments, and demands that contributions should remain available and returned to those who have contributed and not merged into general payments.
8. Northamptonshire LDC: (Alasdair McKendrick): This Conference believes that (n) GDS does not even provide an adequate core service.
9. Hillingdon LDC (Jerry Asquith): This Conference calls on the Department of Health to allow children and exempt only contracts to continue, to enable these deserving patients to receive the NHS dental treatment they need.
10. Cumbria LDC (Peter Pearson): This Conference believes that the notional UDAs attached to a VT position should be added to the main provider contract, as is done in Wales, thus allowing the practice to better manage the VDPs' training year.

Pensions

11. Worcestershire LDC (Terry Harding): This Conference requests that superannuation details be made available in September and not in February.

PCT Funding and Training

12. Birmingham LDC (Clive Harris): This Conference believes that practitioners who have the sale of their practice influenced by PCT commissioning, should be compensated to the full at the market price of the practice.
13. Surrey LDC (Barry Westwood): This conference would like to see national guidelines for PCTs to follow in the timing of contract reviews and responses to GDP queries.
14. Dorset LDC (Brian P Levy): This Conference demands that all LDC members should be entitled to claim UDAs as a sessional allowance for business meetings with PCTs or LHBs, or any other NHS organisation.
15. West Sussex LDC (Peter Maund): This Conference demands that, with the introduction of mandatory registration and CPD for DSAs, the deaneries provide suitable training and post graduate courses to facilitate this, and that every effort be made to provide such courses at convenient times and locations.