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the impacts of
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health and
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Safety and
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ELIZABETH II



Dentists Act 1984

1984 CHAPTER 24

An Act to consolidate the Dentists Acts 1957 to 1983, with an amendment to give effect to a recommendation of the Law Commission and the Scottish Law Commission. [26th June 1984]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

PART I

THE GENERAL DENTAL COUNCIL

1.—(1) There shall continue to be a body corporate known as the General Dental Council (in this Act referred to as “the Council”).

Constitution
and general
duties of the
Council.

(2) It shall be the general concern of the Council to promote high standards of dental education at all its stages and high standards of professional conduct among dentists, and the Council shall in particular perform the functions assigned to them by this Act.

(3) Part I of Schedule 1 to this Act shall have effect in relation to the Council.

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to be a body
corporate known as
the General Dental
Council

**The ambition for
reform is strong**

**But delivery is slow
and uncertain**



Department
of Health &
Social Care

**Regulating healthcare
professionals, protecting the
public**



Closed consultation

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Dental
Council**

GDC consultation response

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**But real progress on
international
registration**

**Government
considering
consultation
responses**

**Legislation expected
this year**

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2017

Shifting the
balance:

a better, fairer system
of dental regulation

2019

Moving
upstream
2020

2020



Right time
Right place
Right touch

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**Public protection
through the prevention
of harm, rather than
responding to the
consequences of harm**

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Professionalism**

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Dental
Council**

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