



LDC Conference 2022

Motions carried at Conference

NHS contract and funding

1. Wakefield LDC

Access to NHS dental care is every citizen's right. NHS England must ensure that adequate funding is made available that this right can be exercised without delay.
England

2. West Sussex LDC

This conference calls for governments in all four countries to build back a better NHS dental service that delivers to patients, clinicians, practices, and local communities as well as the Treasury and finance departments.
UK, Policy

3. West Sussex LDC

The current contractual funding arrangements are only fit for purpose as a minimum core service. To define this as a comprehensive offer is misleading to the public, unrealistic, unworkable, and not financially viable to dental practitioners. This conference calls for a contract fit for purpose.
England

4. Birmingham LDC

Conference demands that in the absence of additional financial support of the NHS dental system, a holistic reassessment of expenditure within the sector is considered.
England

5. Manchester LDC

This conference believes that if significant funds are not invested by government in the NHS dental system the only way to run a satisfactory NHS dental system is to adopt a core service.
England

6. Derbyshire County LDC

The NHS budget for dentistry should be ring-fenced (and linked to inflation).
England, Policy

7. North Yorkshire LDC

This conference calls for immediate changes to be implemented to the NHS dental contract. To enable prompt changes to occur we need to increase pressure on those that can make these changes. We need to engage with our staff and most importantly our patients via an online petition.
England



10. Manchester LDC

This conference believes that the NHS dental service is in danger of falling over due to years of systemic failure by government DHSC and NHSE.
England

Patient Charge Revenue

12. Manchester LDC

This conference believes that year on year increases in Patient Charge Revenue has been used as a tool to manage demand, pricing working families and the working poor out of NHS treatment.
England, Policy

Recruitment and Retention

13. Devon LDC

This conference proposes that the government makes changes to the NHS GDS dental services, so that the service is a more attractive career proposition for newly qualified dentists and incentivises existing dentists currently working within the service to remain.
UK, Policy

14. Coventry LDC,

**This Conference is concerned about the lack of dental workforce planning by the NHS given the number of dental colleagues leaving the NHS.
We demand that the NHS in all four countries undertake a workforce survey to establish the whole-time equivalent need for dentists and team members for NHS general dental practice and then fund the system appropriately based on this.**

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UK, Policy

15.Northampton LDC

Conference calls on the NHS, GDC and BDA to find solutions to remove the barriers to dental nurse recruitment and retention.

UK, Policy

16.Wirral LDC

Conference calls on government to finally acknowledge that the whole dental team is a part of the NHS. This would include being able to access similar benefits on offer to other NHS workers such as free flu jabs and early access to COVID boosters.

UK, Policy

17.Wirral LDC

All members of the dental team should be able to access similar NHS Pension Scheme benefits (including maternity/adoption leave, paternity leave and parental leave).

UK

18.Northampton LDC

Conference calls on government to take urgent action to fully fund and support return to work and practitioner support programmes for dentists and dental care professionals.

UK, Policy

Overseas Qualifications

20.North Yorkshire LDC

This conference calls for NHS to properly fund and support Performer List Validation by Experience (PLVE) training. This should be along similar lines to the current Dental Foundation Training (DFT) system, including access to the local postgraduate deanery.

England and Wales

Dental Education

22.North Yorkshire LDC, Mark Green

This conference believes that newly qualified dentists from UK dental schools are less prepared for primary care dentistry than ever before with ever more reliance on the foundation year. To better serve our undergraduates, more funding is needed to develop centres outside of dental schools in areas of high need.

UK

23. Birmingham LDC

Conference demands that dental schools are mandated to use generalists in all levels of the training and assessment of UK dental undergraduates

UK

24. West Pennine LDC, Stephen Shimberg

This conference calls on dental schools and the GDC to revisit the curriculum to ensure graduates study and are examined in the fundamental art and science of dental care so that Foundation Training may return to the task of teaching how that knowledge is applied in primary dental care.

UK, Policy

Contractual/commissioning issues

25. Norfolk LDC

This conference calls on government to appoint an independent body to manage the commissioning of primary care dental services in England. This body should be independent of NHSE but have membership from patient groups and the dental profession.

England

26. Devon LDC

This conference calls on the GDPC and the BDA to demand that the service cost payments for Dental Foundation Training (DFT) contracts are increased immediately and to link the payments to inflation for future years.

England and Wales, Policy

27. North Yorkshire LDC

This conference calls for further retrospective changes to the 2021-22 annual reconciliation to allow delivery of 67.5% of annual UDA target and 83.75% of UOA regardless of what was delivered in each period within the year.

England

Sustainability

28. Gwent LDC

This conference calls for the respective nations' governments to support dentistry to become carbon neutral.

UK

Fluoridation

29. Leicestershire LDC

Conference requests that GDPC appoints a member to the Council of the British Fluoridation Society.

UK

30. North Tyne LDC

This Conference believes that an annual donation at a meaningful level should be made by LDCs to the British Fluoridation Society (BFS) to assist the BFS to be better funded in its fight for further water fluoridation in areas of the UK where fluoride in the water is less than 1ppm and also to maintain water fluoridation in areas where there is a threat to current fluoridation levels.

UK

GDP Representation

31. Gwent LDC

This conference calls for Welsh government to begin open and transparent negotiations that include fair representation of active general practitioners.

Wales, Policy

32. Morgannwg LDC

Conference believes that NHS GDPs deserve more funded representation on government committees that immediately affect the running and the future of the GDS.

England and Wales, Policy

33. Manchester LDC

This conference has no confidence in the new Integrated care system to fix problems locally with the NHS dental service as their engagement with dentistry is designed to be low level, no new monies are identified and other NHS challenges will preoccupy management bandwidth with an assumption we are akin to the GP service.

England

34. Manchester LDC

The new Integrated Care system cannot look to address issues of the dental service when it is institutionally designed to sideline the voice of Dental providers from all its senior boards and indeed those of wider primary care.

This conference calls on NHS England to ensure that LDCs have mandated roles in ICS structures.

England, Policy

35. Leicestershire LDC

Conference asks that the BDA publishes guidance for LDCs on how they can interact with ICS bodies.

England