

DENTAL NEWSLETTER



For NHS Dental Practices in BaNES, Gloucester, Swindon and Wiltshire

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If there is anything you think would be useful to share in a future newsletter, please do let us know by emailing us at england.bgsd-dental@nhs.net

Actions Required

 <p>Mid Year</p>	<p><u>Mid-Year</u></p> <p>Your Mid-Year position is now available to view on Compass and NHS BSA have issued letters detailing the Mid-Year achievement for your practice along with any other actions required to be taken.</p> <p>Providers who did not achieve their required contracted activity for the 1819 will have activity carried forward on Compass in line with their contract. This activity must be completed prior to delivering your 1920 activity and does not count towards the mid-year review for the current year.</p> <p>Contracts delivering under 30 per cent as of the 30 September 2019 will be asked to complete an action plan demonstrating how the UDAs and/or UOAs will be delivered and return to NHS DS within the given time frame.</p> <p>Contractors who have delivered more than 30 per cent are encouraged to review your claim submission in order to avoid any over or under delivery at year end.</p> <p>Full requirements have been included in your Mid-Year letter.</p>
 <p>Winter Planning</p>	<p><u>Winter Planning</u></p> <p>Christmas is now 2 months away and you will be aware of the pressures the winter period brings to the healthcare community. We have recently sent communication to all practices to confirm their contractual/agreed opening hours. If you're intending to make alternative arrangements with other practices, you'll need to share the details with NHS England</p> <p>Please be aware the deadline for response has now passed, therefore if you have not already responded please send your return ASAP to england.bgsd-dental@nhs.net</p> <p>We require this information to include in winter packs which are used by urgent care providers to ensure patients are directed appropriately for weekends and Bank Holiday to access urgent dental care</p>



 <p>NHS net accounts</p>	<p><u>NHS Mail Accounts</u></p> <p>You will be aware that for some months we have been requesting that all Practices set up a NHS.net email account. There are a number of practices who have still not completed this. We therefore ask that if you do not already have an account set up, that you do so as soon as possible. All practices must have an active NHS net account as we will only be sending communication to NHS net accounts. Please contact us if you have any issues or require further advice.</p>
 <p>NHS Choices</p>	<p><u>NHS Choices website</u></p> <p>The NHS Choices website (www.nhs.uk) is becoming increasingly important in assisting people to access dental services.</p> <p>It is apparent that there are number of dental practices that have out of date and incorrect information on the site which is causing problems for the public being signposted to this area.</p> <p>Practices have a responsibility to maintain accurate information on NHS choices, including opening times, indicating acceptance of NHS patients</p> <p>Please find link below which will enable you to manage, setup and amend your practice profile.</p> <p>https://www.nhs.uk/contact-us/contacts-for-professionals/help-updating-your-organisation-profile/</p>

Important Information for Practice Managers	
	<p><u>Out of Hours Urgent Dental Care</u></p> <p>We want to remind contractors of their responsibilities to ensure their NHS patients are able to access urgent dental treatment out of hours. Please ensure your telephone answering service provides appropriate 111 contact details for patients calling.</p>
 <p>Record Keeping Standards</p>	<p><u>Record Keeping Standards</u></p> <p>For your information, please see link below of publication by NHS England and NHS Improvement regarding Record Keeping Standards.</p> <p>https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/dental-record-keeping-standards-a-consensus-approach/</p>





HEE e-learning

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For your information, please see below e-learning links for HEEs dental courses page.

<http://www.dental.southwest.hee.nhs.uk/about-us/dental-courses/>

Antimicrobial Stewardship e-learning resource

The British Association of Oral Surgeons (BAOS) has launched a new [Antimicrobial Stewardship e-learning resource](#) for oral health professionals to test their knowledge of

antibiotic prescribing. It is free to take and consists of three modules of clinical scenario-based quizzes, each of which provides a printable e-certificate of one hour's verified

CPD upon successful completion. Feedback is provided along the way, with the aim that by the end of the modules, participants will be able to demonstrate application of the

principles of sound antimicrobial stewardship to the clinical scenarios.

Script Dental Prescribing Programme

The Script Dental Prescribing programme is available to purchase as an individual SCRIPT licence for £25 per year (see link below):

<http://www.safeprescriber.org/dentistry-signup/>



CQC

CQC Myth busters

CQC regularly update their myth buster pages, so we thought it might be helpful to share the link with you. You might also find these helpful when reviewing your daily processes and/or preparing for CQC visits.

<https://www.cqc.org.uk/guidance-providers/dentists/mythbusters-tips-dentists#safe>



Fluoride Varnish

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Are you recording you Fluoride Varnish applications of your FP17?

