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SURGEONS OF GLASGOW
DENTISTRY

Joint Committee for Postgraduate Training in Dentistry (JCPTD) – Report for the AGM

Meeting held on 4th June 2019

Attended by representatives from COPDEND, GDC, DSC, ABFTD, ABSTD and the five Dental Deans and Vice Deans.

GDC intends to visit certain specialty training schemes in the autumn of 2019 (Scotland's NES being one of them) and RCPSG (as an exam provider). All Scottish VTs will complete the GDC/ABFTD survey. The questions were, once again, considered but to ensure consistency when comparing years, the majority will remain the same. A summary of the GDC's Foundation Training survey was sent to dental schools. There is also a trainer survey which the GDC will feedback to JCPTD. The value of the survey was debated, with a lack of timely feedback to those completing the survey noted.

Reports received for ABFTD and ABSTD. The Chair of ABFTD is nominated by FGDP, agreed by ABFTD and ratified by JMDF.

The SAC in ADS wants to devolve into separate SACs for each specialty. The GDC Short Life Working Group in Specialty lists continue to meet (next meeting November 2019) to consider listings. The GDC Specialty Working Group will look at mediated entry in July 2019. Concern was expressed regarding the GDC's appeal process for entry onto the list – in that no member of that specialty is on the appeals panel yet new information can be brought to it.

GDC reported on their efforts to make contact with 1st year dental students in all the UK Dental Schools (including professional use of social media). Informed that two thirds of the GDC workforce will have moved to Birmingham by the end of the year. Recruitment to DCT posts was described, with many more applicants than places. However, vacancies still remain, within local recruitment utilised (there is a growing recognition that one year's placement from national recruitment can be disruptive and not "family friendly"). All Specialities have now moved to national recruitment. There are also national ARCPs.

Next meeting November 26th 2019

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