



Faculty of Dental Surgery – AGM Report

Joint Committee for Postgraduate Training in Dentistry

Report of JCPTD, held in RCSI, Dublin on 12th December 2017: Meeting centred on:

Quality Assurance (QA) of Dental Foundation Training (DFT) and potential role of the Advisory Board for Specialty Training in Dentistry (ABSTD). It was felt there was no externality. Scotland does have external QA of DFT.

GDC lawyers were still assessing the MoU between GDC and JCPTD.

Re-affirmed all SAC curricula change must go via JMDF to GDC.

Joint questionnaire- both GDC and Advisory Board for the Foundation of Training in Dentistry (ABFTD) of DFT to ascertain level of achievement perceived by recent graduates.

Report of JCPTD – 5th June 2018:

The Joint Committee for Postgraduate Training in Dentistry has representation from the Committee of Postgraduate Dental Deans and Directors (COPDEND) and the GDC, as well as the Deans of the four Royal Colleges and FGDP. Agenda items included

GDC consultation on Standards for Specialty Education

The GDC Specialty Working Groups and Specialty curricula and update from the GDC.

Terms of reference for Advisory Board for Specialty Training in Dentistry (ABSTD) were considered and updated.

A letter inviting the BDA to help the British Association of Oral Surgeons (BAOS) approach the GDC to set up a CESR report (Certificate for Eligibility for Specialist Registration) for these staff grades, specialty dentists, who were experienced, but not on a Specialist List, was considered. It was noted that the GDC had not been copied into this and that the current mediated entry was the GDC's dental equivalent of CESR. The Panel felt if the GDC was supportive of the plea, it should not just apply to Oral Surgery. There was a need also not to devalue existing training pathways where successful candidates often had to make sacrifices, such as a reduction in salary, reduced pension contributions and the extra financial and examinations burdens. More training pathways should be developed.

Reports from the National Trainees' Survey, (COPDEND) and Advancing Dental Care were received.

The GDC wish to QA specialty training, and are looking at criteria, roles and responsibilities of different groups involved with PG education and training.

Part of the GDC is moving to reduce costs! DSC from Croyden to London, Registration from London to Birmingham by 31st October 2018. By 2020, two thirds of the GDC workforce will be in Birmingham.

GDC will inspect all dental schools by next year (2019).

The work-stream for Advancing Dental Care was discussed.

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