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RCPSG comment on GDC consultation:
Clear and certain: a new framework for fee setting

The college welcomes the planned transparency of the fee setting process and a hoped for clarity in the method for calculating fees. We welcome assurance that fee levels should be primarily determined by the cost of regulating each registrant group. However, this is presumably regarding professional group rather than differences between specialties. It is desirable to have available the breakdown between areas of practice. In addition, clarification on funding for the shift upstream of support rather than regulation as per Shifting the Balance would be welcomed. It is understood that small registrant groups risk volatility of fees and that as a professional collective there may be some spread of financial burden, however, College and the GDC are well aware of the disquiet amongst the dental profession of the high retention fee for dentists and assurance that these fees are not artificially high is required. .