

Retired Lanarkshire Dentist Awarded MBE



David Collington MBE

Former NHS Lanarkshire general dental practitioner David Collington has been awarded an MBE. His name was announced in the New Year Honours list 2012.

David, who retired from the North Road Dental Practice in Bellshill in May 2011, was given the award for services to dentistry after 37 years commitment to the NHS.

The Strathaven man's NHS dental career began after he qualified from the Glasgow Dental School in 1974. He spent some time as a partner in a practice in Coatbridge before moving to Bellshill where he spent the rest of his career.

David admitted to being very grateful although extremely surprised by the MBE news. He said: "I was genuinely stunned when I heard this but I'm really flattered that someone took the time to consider me for this honour."

He continued: "When I collect it, I like to think I'll be accepting it on behalf of my family and all the dedicated practice staff and colleagues with whom I worked over the years."

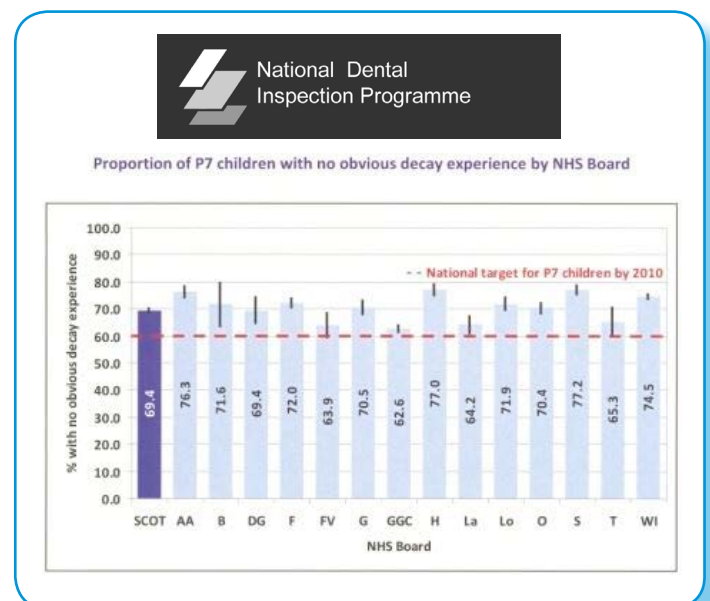
"I thoroughly enjoyed my time as a dentist and it's them, along with my loyal patients, who I miss most in my retirement."

"I like to think this award is also recognition of all their efforts."

Dental Health of Lanarkshire P7 Children Continues to Improve

The National Dental Inspection results for school year 2010/2011 show that the dental health of P7 children in Lanarkshire has improved significantly. The percentage of children in this age group with no obvious decay experience in permanent teeth was 64.2%. This 7% increase from the last P7 result two years ago continues the steady, year on year improvement in the dental health of Lanarkshire's children.

These encouraging results are due not only to the hard work of all the dental teams and oral health promotion teams throughout Lanarkshire but also to the support and input from our colleagues in Education.



Interview with Clare Kelly

Where are you from?

I have lived in Lanarkshire for most of my life and graduated BDS with honours from Glasgow University in 2001. Following a period of training in general practice, hospital and community dental settings, I opted to pursue a career in the field of orthodontics.

My specialist orthodontic training took place at Glasgow Dental Hospital, Monklands Hospital and Forth Valley Royal Hospital.

What drove you to a career in Orthodontics?

For me, being involved in the management of the most severe malocclusions* is both challenging and rewarding. I thoroughly enjoy the opportunity I have to improve my patients' smile.

What would you like to achieve in your first year in post?

With the dental team at Monklands, I am aiming to provide a positive patient experience and quality orthodontic service. In addition to beginning treatment for patients on the treatment waiting list, I will be working towards achieving the Scottish Government's 18 Weeks Referral to Treatment Standard.

What has been your greatest achievement to date?

Academically, my greatest achievement was being awarded the Dean Webster prize as the most distinguished dental graduate of my year. On a more personal level, I have successfully balanced the demands of orthodontic training whilst raising a young family.

*malocclusion = abnormal arrangement of the teeth or jaw.



Clare Kelly
Newly appointed Consultant
Orthodontist at Monklands Hospital

New Edition of Drug Prescribing for Dentistry

The second edition of Drug Prescribing For Dentistry was published by the Scottish Dental Clinical Effectiveness Programme in August 2011. It will shortly be available as an App for iPhone, iPad or iPod Touch. It can be downloaded in pdf form from www.sdcep.org.uk/?o=2334

The guidance is easy to follow as it is set out in a problem solving orientated style. It also provides information on drugs used to manage medical emergencies. It is for Primary Dental Care Professionals with information regarding adults, children and those with special needs.



Evaluation of HMP Shotts' Oral Health Improvement Programme

An Action Plan for Improving Oral Health and Modernising NHS Dental Services in Scotland identified improving prisoner oral health as a priority for NHS Boards. Prisoners experience more decayed but fewer filled teeth than the general Scottish population. Severe tooth decay is also four times more likely in the male prison population.

NHS Lanarkshire and HMP Shotts developed a three-year oral health improvement programme that started in 2008. It was designed to improve the oral health of staff, prisoners and families of prisoners by creating a healthier environment within the HMP Shotts prison, impacting on policies to promote health as well as providing oral health education.

An evaluation was carried out in 2011 which found that prisoners in the intervention group showed better knowledge of oral health messages. It specifically found that providing health education activities during father-child visits was an effective way of improving knowledge and engaging with prisoners and their families.

The evaluation showed little impact on oral health behaviours including diet and oral hygiene. Only qualitative data from prisoners and prison staff indicated some individual behaviour change. The evaluation also sought to find out what worked well within the project, what difficulties it faced and identify what could be done in the future to overcome these.

The evaluation will help shape the development of future programmes in oral health and health improvement in partnership with HMP Shotts following the transfer of prisoner healthcare to NHS Scotland.

A copy of the evaluation report can be downloaded from www.sps.gov.uk/Publications/Publication-3827.aspx

Childsmile Incorporation into SDR



The incorporation of Childsmile Practice into the Statement of Dental Remuneration (SDR) took place on 1 October 2011. This is a major change to the SDR and it may take time for everyone to adapt. Therefore for the first six months Practitioner Services will be as flexible as possible if practitioners are facing difficulty with implementation.

Please contact Susan Frew if you would like any assistance with the changes.

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Occupational Health and Safety Service Needlestick Helpline

MONDAY TO FRIDAY 9am-4.30pm

 **07881848618**

The call will be answered by a doctor or nurse from the Occupational Health and Safety Service trained in the management of these incidents.

When phoning the Helpline, please ensure the up-to-date medical history of the patient is available.

AFTER 4.30pm OR AT WEEKENDS

Telephone the nearest accident and emergency department (A&E) and ask for needlestick advice.

Monklands Hospital A&E 01236 712209

Wishaw Hospital A&E 01698 366610

Hairmyres Hospital A&E 01355 584700

IOTN

From 1 October 2011 the Index of Orthodontic Treatment Need (IOTN) has been introduced into the Statement of Dental Remuneration. The table below details the relevant pathway in Lanarkshire based on IOTN. Further details are available from

[www.sehd.scot.nhs.uk/pca/PCA2011\(D\)06.pdf](http://www.sehd.scot.nhs.uk/pca/PCA2011(D)06.pdf)

IOTN	PATHWAY
1-3.5	No NHS treatment available*
3.6 – 5	Specialist orthodontist
4-5	Consultant clinic#

**There will be exceptions to this but only in extraordinary circumstances.*

#Adult patients – will only be seen if they have complex malocclusions requiring hospital based multi-disciplinary care.

When referring patients, dentists should ensure patients are aware of these arrangements. It would also be helpful if it is clear that the referral is for an opinion on the need for treatment and not for treatment itself.

Radiation inspections for Scotland

A small number of ionising radiation IR(ME)R inspections of dental practices are due to take place in Scotland during the months of April and May 2012. It is hoped that the outcome of these inspections will provide sufficient reassurance to allow IR(ME)R compliance, in future, to be assessed as part of the existing routine dental practice inspection process. Relevant guidance and training presentations are available from

www.scottishdental.org/?o=7224

Oral Health Team Won Prestigious Award

NHS Lanarkshire's oral health team won the Keith Woods Memorial Prize for a written submission on the oral health needs assessment of homeless people in Lanarkshire. The prize was presented to Albert Yeung, consultant in dental public health, at the Presidential Scientific Meeting of the British Association for the Study of Community Dentistry (BASCD) in November 2011. As well as Mr Yeung, other colleagues involved in the project included Anne Moore, deputy director, Salaried Primary Care Dental Services, and Celia Watt, senior health promotion officer (Oral Health).



Professor Peter Robinson, president of BASCD (left) presents Albert Yeung, with the Keith Woods Memorial Prize.

The findings of the NHS Lanarkshire submission were part of a national survey entitled Smile4life. Results of the survey are being used to design an oral health improvement programme for homeless people. The full report on the national survey is available from www.dundee.ac.uk/dhsru/news/smile4life.htm

News Extra

Thanks and best wishes to Consultant Oral & Maxillofacial surgeon Nick Hammersley who retired in March 2012 after working for NHS Lanarkshire for 26 years.

Vikas Sood will be taking up the post of Consultant Oral & Maxillofacial surgeon in April 2012.

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