Lanarkshire Smiling



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A Celebration of Learning

Following a needs assessment study in February 2011 to explore the knowledge, attitudes and beliefs of the Pakistani population in relation to oral health and nutrition, a six-week peer education training programme commenced early in 2012. Staff from Health Improvement delivered the course to ten participants. The aim of the training was to raise awareness of oral health and nutrition and to equip the participants with information and knowledge to take the key oral health messages to the wider community.

Since February 2012, the group has delivered oral health and nutrition messages informally throughout their community



Volunteers secured an award for spreading oral health messages among the Muslim community

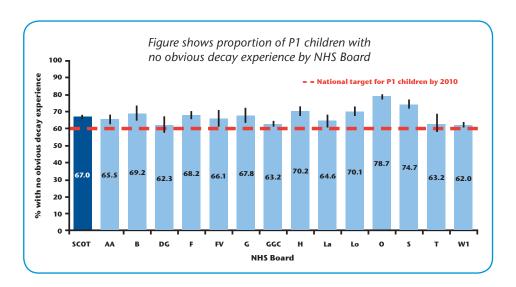
and the Lanarkshire Central Mosque using stalls, fun days and radio shows. The group is now working on producing some culturally specific materials for the community.

The group won the Celebration of Learning Health and Wellbeing Award from the North Lanarkshire Community Learning and Development Partnership in autumn 2012.



The National Dental Inspection Programme (NDIP) is carried out annually to gather information to inform parents of the oral health status of their children. Two key child age groups are involved: those in primary one (P1) and primary seven (P7). Results are reported in alternate years.

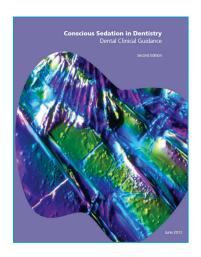
The national target of 60% of P1 children with no obvious decay experience was reached in Lanarkshire in 2010. The NDIP 2012 report confirmed that all NHS Boards achieved the target of 60% of P1 children with no obvious decay experience.



NHS Lanarkshire has seen considerable improvement in the proportion of P1 children with no obvious decay experience from 40.7% in 2002/2003 to 64.6% in the 2012 report.

The NDIP 2012 report is available from:

www.ndip.scottishdental. org/?o=1391



Conscious Sedation in Dentistry

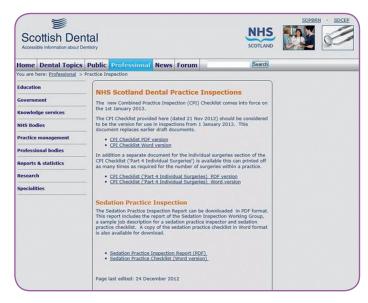
The provision of adequate anxiety control is an integral part of the practice of dentistry. The aim of the Scottish Dental Clinical Effectiveness Programme guidance is to promote good clinical guidance through recommendations for the provision of conscious sedation for dental care that is both safe and effective. The second edition is available from:

www.sdcep.org.uk/?o=2331

Dental Practice Inspections Update

The Scottish Government Health and Social Care Integration Directorate introduced a revised practice inspection process from January 2013. There are several reasons for the changes in the process: to combine the Health Board inspection with the vocational training inspection to avoid duplication, to incorporate the requirements for decontamination compliance, which also came into effect at the beginning of the year and to include patient experience elements which will satisfy Healthcare Improvement Scotland considerations.

Training events are being developed to support practices in meeting the requirements for the inspection. It is important to remember that the practice inspection is not a pass/fail exercise but is a formative process that supports practices to develop their facilities and services, while meeting the legislative requirements for healthcare providers and small businesses.



The new Combined Practice Inspection checklist and the Sedation Practice Inspection checklist can be found at: www.scottishdental.org/?o=7742



In 2012, Dr Arthur Johnston, Warranted Inspector for the Medical Exposure Regulations, undertook a series of dental practice inspections relating to IR(ME)R [Ionising Radiation (Medical Exposure) Regulations].

In general, the dental practices that performed well during the inspection had adapted and adopted the 'sample procedures' that are provided on the Scottish Dental website.

There were three main areas where there appeared to be inconsistencies in their approach:

- Patient identification
- Pregnancy enquiry
- Assessment of patient dose for comparison with diagnostic reference levels

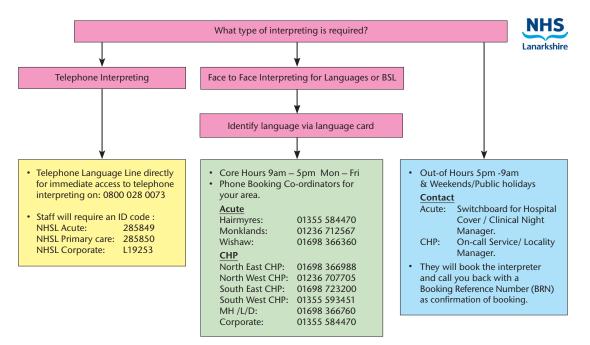
Further information is available from:

www.sehd.scot.nhs.uk/publications/CDO(2012)01. pdf

A template for pregnancy enquiry notice can be downloaded from the Radiation Protection section of the Practice Support Manual website:

www.psm.sdcep.org.uk/?o=4015

Interpreting Request Guide for Languages and British Sign Language (BSL)



Interpreting services for languages and British Sign Language is now provided by NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde. Information on how to make appointments can be found on the interpreting page on FirstPort. Dental practices have received

information on how to contact the relevant booking co-ordinators. Services already arranged with other providers should be cancelled and re-arranged through your booking co-ordinator.

Childsmile Symposium 2012

NHS Health Scotland held its first Childsmile symposium in September 2012 at the Beardmore Hotel and Conference Centre in Clydebank. The event provided an overview of achievements and progress in the development of the Childsmile programme. It also disseminated some of the outcomes and lessons learned from the evaluation and research work.

Presentations and posters from the symposium are available from:

www.child-smile.org.uk/documents/6147.aspx



Alcohol and oral health: Understanding risk, raising awareness and giving advice



The paper on alcohol and oral health has been developed by NHS Health Scotland for professionals working in a dental team. It highlights the link between alcohol and oral health. Alcohol misuse is a significant problem in Scotland and the paper

provides guidance as to how the issue of alcohol misuse can be raised with patients in a dental setting, using health behaviour change approaches. It is available from:

www.healthscotland.com/documents/6124.aspx



Introducing David Anderson

NHS Lanarkshire dentist David Anderson is a new member of the Lanarkshire Area Dental Advisory Committee (ADAC).

David, who has been a full time outreach supervisor at the Buchanan Centre since 2010, said:

"I'm really looking forward to the position and seeing what I can bring to the role. Representation of the salaried service is very important in these times of austerity."

David graduated from Glasgow Dental School in 1994. He undertook his vocational training in Falkirk the following year and completed his Master of Dental Science in

conservative dentistry at the University of Dundee in 1997. He then worked in general practice from 1997 to 2009 before becoming involved in outreach work in Forth Valley the same year.

He took up his post in the Buchanan Centre in 2010 and was awarded the Diploma of Membership of the Joint Dental Faculties at The Royal College of Surgeons of England in 2011.

On his current role in Coatbridge, he continued:

"I'm really interested in teaching and education, and very much enjoy the student supervision."

BDA Honours and Awards 2012



Congratulations to the following dentists for winning honours/awards at the British Dental Association (BDA) awards ceremony 2012:

- Mike Arthur has been awarded a BDA Fellowship in recognition of his outstanding and distinguished service to the BDA and the dental profession. He has served on the ADAC since 1981 and was the Chair from 1995 to 2001.
- Jackie Morrison has been conferred with BDA Life Membership, which recognises his long and valuable service to the BDA, at branch, group and national levels.

News Extra

The pre-approved Patient Experience Questionnaire (PEQ) audit is now available from: www.portal.scot.nhs.uk

The implementation date for the tooth specific GP17 form has been revised and will now come into effect on 1 June 2013. Guidance on the new form is available from:

www.psd.scot.nhs.uk/professionals/dental/tooth-specific-quidance-final-web.pdf

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