

## **Report from GDPC meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> May to Dorset LDC meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> June.**

### **Independent Review of NHS Dentistry (Steele Review)**

Well under way with first wave pilots up and running. Second wave of pilots planned for the autumn. Impact of a change of government unknown. BDA has maintained communication with all main political parties. Five workstreams (under a programme board) include major stakeholders including GDPC representatives.

### **Care Quality Commission (CQC).**

Still no news on fees or the details of who are going to inspect. Guidance is still generic with no specific advice available from CQC for general dental practitioners as yet. BDA is working with CQC to help develop this.

### **DDRB (Doctors' and Dentists' Review Body)**

GDPC Disappointed by 0.9% uplift to contract values. This does not counter a significant increase in practice expenses.

### **PDS Plus contracts**

These appear to be being applied variably according to which PCT one is contracting with. Some are changing the contract further away from the original than others. GDPC still cautions against signing these contracts without obtaining legal advice.

### **Decontamination Working Group.**

This has been set up to examine the costs of implementing HTM 01-05 both initially and ongoing. Volunteer practices will provide the information. This will provide an evidence base to inform DDRB and PCOs

## **Revalidation**

Workshops have been held with BDA, but a definitive plan from the GDC is not available yet.

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