

The Third Molar – Controversy and Wisdom

Date: Friday 30 January 2026

Location: RCS Eng. Lincoln's Inn Fields WC2A 3PE [Lumley Library]

Time	Topic
8.45am	Registration and Morning Refreshments
9.15am	Welcome and Introduction Dr Louis McArdle, Conference Convenor
9.20am	History of Third Molar Management in Last 30 Years – Prophylactic Third Molar Removal and the Introduction of NICE Guidance Dr Louis McArdle. <i>Consultant Oral Surgeon, GSTT NHS Foundation Trust</i>
10am	The Consequences of NICE Guidance and the Changing Patterns of Third Molar Surgery. Professor Judith Jones. <i>Professor of Oral Surgery, King's College London</i>
10.40am	Prophylactic Third Molar Removal – Are There Indications? Professor Julian Yates. <i>Professor of OMFS, University of Manchester</i>
11.20am	Comfort break
11.40am	Radiographic Imaging – the Radiologist's Perspective. Dr Jimmy Makdissi. <i>Consultant OMF Radiologist, Bart's Health NHS Trust</i>
12.15pm	Radiological Interpretation for Third Molars – The Surgeon's Perspective Mr Kandasamy Ganesan. <i>Consultant Oral Surgeon, Southend University NHS Trust</i>
12.50pm	Morning Panel Discussion
13.10pm	Lunch

2.10pm	Medico-Legal Aspects of Third Molar Surgery Dr Mike Williams. <i>Specialist in Oral Surgery/Dento-Legal Advisor, MDDUS</i>
2.45pm	Coronectomy – Where is the Threshold? Dr Louis McArdle. <i>Consultant Oral Surgeon, GSTT NHS Foundation Trust</i>
3.20pm	Afternoon Panel Discussion & Close

**All speakers are requested to keep the last 5 minutes of their allocated time for questions.
There is also a dedicated Q&A session for morning and afternoon panelists as detailed
above.**