

**SENT ON BEHALF OF CHIEF DENTAL OFFICER ENGLAND, SARA HURLEY**

## **Appointment of Deputy Chief Dental Officer**

NHS England and NHS Improvement and the Chief Dental Officer for England are pleased to announce the appointment of Jason Wong MBE as Deputy Chief Dental Officer for England. Jason will work alongside Sara Hurley and Eric Rooney (Deputy CDO) in collaboration with local and regional teams to deliver improved outcomes for patients, and champion the role of dentists and dentistry within the health system.

Jason is a general dental practitioner who qualified from the University of Birmingham in 1995 and also holds a Diploma in Postgraduate Dental Studies from the University of Bristol. He is a partner at the Maltings Dental practice in Grantham. He was awarded an MBE for services to Dentistry and Oral Health in 2020.

Chief Dental Officer, Sara Hurley said "Jason has a track record for outstanding delivery as a Local Dental Network Chair. He is a respected practitioner and trainer and a notable champion of children's oral health. His experience and diverse portfolio will be invaluable as we navigate the ongoing challenges of COVID-19 and build on the integrated team approach alongside our colleagues in the wider health and social care sector."

Jason Wong said: "It is a privilege to be appointed as Deputy Chief Dental Officer for England. I am very much looking forward to joining the Office of the Chief Dental Officer and working with the entire dental family"

Jason will share the role with Deputy Chief Dental Officer Eric Rooney MBE.

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