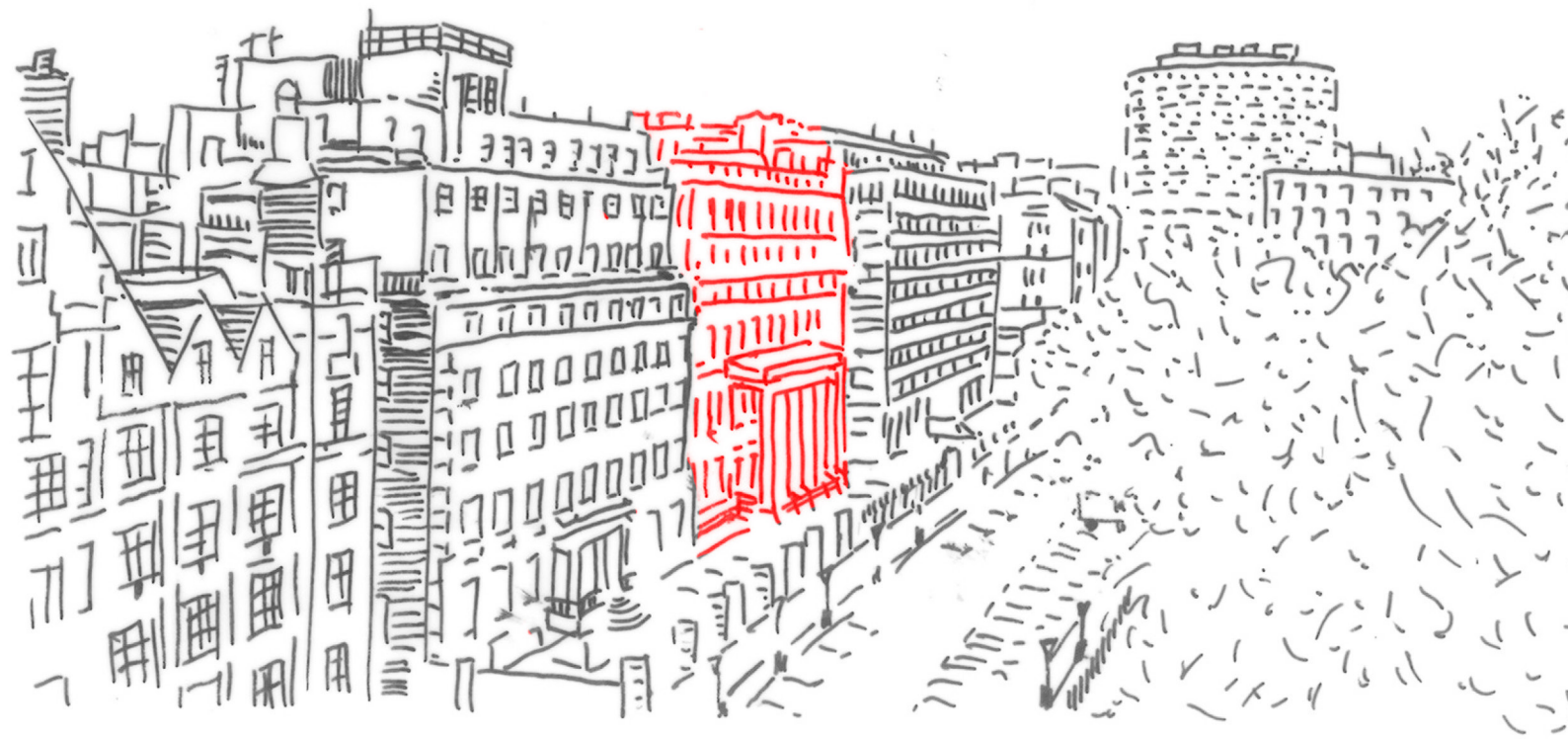


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From the Dean



A message from the Dean



Professor Michael Escudier

It is my great pleasure and honour to write my first newsletter since being sworn in as the 25th Dean on 23 June 2017. This followed the 70th Anniversary celebrations the previous day, which culminated in a truly fabulous dinner that was the final event to be held in the current Edward Lumley Hall. I would like to extend my thanks

and appreciation (as well as those of the Faculty) to the many members of staff and Board members, particularly Simon Littlewood, who helped to make this such a successful and memorable event.

Despite having served on both the Board and Council for several years, taking over as Dean has been – and I am sure will continue to be – a steep learning curve during a period of much change. I am grateful to have an extremely supportive and hardworking Board and the Faculty staff behind me.

At the June Board meeting three newly elected Board members (Martyn Cobourne, Sarah Howells

and Andrew Eder) were sworn in – together with Judith Jones, who was re-elected. Stephen Chadwick was also recently elected as our new representative on College Council. I am sure they, like our two new Vice-Deans Stephen Porter and Selina Master, will make a significant contribution. We also said goodbye to Paul Speight and Kathy Postlethwaite, to whom we are most grateful for all their hard work on behalf of the Faculty during their time on Board.

One of my first and particularly pleasant duties as Dean was to present our outgoing Dean, Nigel Hunt, with his past-Dean's medal. Nigel did a fantastic job spearheading



Left to right: Professor Stephen Porter, Senior Vice-Dean; Dr Selina Master, Junior Vice-Dean; Professor Martyn Cobourne; Miss Sarah Howells; Professor Andrew Eder



not visit a dentist in the 12 months to 31 March 2017, despite official guidance stating that children should start having check-ups as soon as their first teeth start coming through. These figures were reported by BBC Breakfast, Radio 4's Today programme and Sky News, as well as in a number of national newspapers, and helped to stimulate an important discussion around when children should start seeing a dentist.

Looking forward

In addition to continuing our work around children's oral health, I am keen to look at the oral health needs of other hard-to-reach groups, and as part of this the Faculty launched a new report on older people's oral health in August. This highlighted that an estimated 1.8 million people aged 65 and older could be living with an urgent dental condition and makes a number of recommendations to address this. In the coming months the Faculty will be working to raise the profile of these issues, and of the link between oral health and general health, which will be an important priority during my three years as Dean.

the Faculty's efforts to tackle the problem of child tooth decay. This was recognised by the award of a Fellowship by the RCS and of an OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours. Children's oral health will remain a key part of our campaigning work during my time in office and it was pleasing that both the Conservatives and Labour included commitments on this in their manifestos ahead of June's General Election. This area of

healthcare has become a genuinely cross-party issue that is likely to remain on the political agenda for some time to come.

A particular focus of the Faculty's communications work in recent months has been the need to improve dental attendance for very young children. We published analysis in June showing that nearly 80% of children aged between 1 and 2 did

Faculty of Dental Surgery grant awards 2017

In 2017 the Faculty awarded almost £300,000 in research funding, in the form of dedicated research fellowships, to allow talented individuals to pursue full-time research, or as small grants to pump-prime exciting new projects. A number of these have been awarded in partnership with specialist societies.

Research Fellowships

Faculty of Dental Surgery, 70th Anniversary Special Research Fellowship

Mohammad Owaise Sharif

Eastman Dental Institute, University
College London



*Personalised provision of orthodontic
treatment information in the digital age.*

Faculty of Dental Surgery Research Fellowship

Kate Kenny

School of Dentistry, University of
Leeds

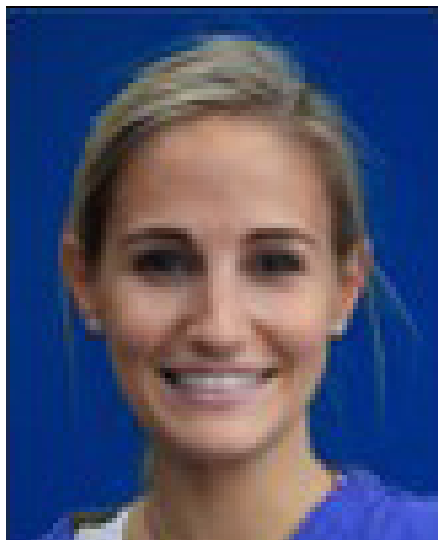


*Development of a minimum dataset for
recording traumatic dental injuries in
children.*

Faculty of Dental Surgery – British Orthodontic Society Research Fellowships

Aliki Tsihlaki

Barts and the London School of
Medicine and Dentistry



Core outcome set development reflecting
patient values for orthodontic treatment.

Hanieh Javidi

School of Clinical Dentistry,
University of Sheffield



Does orthodontics improve oral health-
related quality of life? A cohort Study.

Small Grant Awards

Faculty of Dental Surgery Small Grants

Jennifer Haworth

University of Bristol

*Mechanisms of oral Streptococcus-
induced platelet activation*

Lisette Martin

University of Sheffield

*Mutational analysis of ossifying fibromas
of the jaws*

Harlene Kaur

University of Birmingham

*GreenBone – bone substitute materials
with osteogenic and anti-inflammatory
properties*



**Faculty of Dental Surgery
– British Association for
the Study of Community
Dentistry Small Grants**

Sally Weston-Price

Queen Mary University London

A mixed methods study exploring the factors that could improve the effectiveness of oral health advice and support delivered by health visitors to families to prevent childhood dental caries

Mary Wilson

Public Health Wales

Acceptability of health visitors to implement Lift the Lip: a screening tool for childhood dental decay

**Faculty of Dental Surgery –
British Society for Paediatric
Dentistry Small Grants**

Reham Alharatani

King's College London

Genetic associations between oral clefting and dental anomalies in children and their families

Suneeta Prasad

University of Glasgow

An assessment of parental and child preference for the format of receiving preparatory information for the child's dental general anaesthetic

**Faculty of Dental Surgery
– British Society for
Periodontology Small Grants**

Sarah Kuehne

University of Birmingham

Characterisation of the potential role of second messengers in the virulence of dental pathogens associated with periodontitis

70 Years of the Faculty of Dental Surgery

The Faculty of Dental Surgery at The Royal College of Surgeons of England was founded 70 years ago in 1947. This was the year prior to establishment of the National Health Service in 1948. From those early days and throughout the past 70 years, the Faculty of Dental Surgery has constantly strived to raise standards within the dental profession by promoting the highest standards of training and education in addition to the establishment of many clinical guidelines. This report relates to a meeting held in the RCS on 22 June 2017 to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Faculty of Dental Surgery. The theme of the meeting related to innovations within dentistry and the future of the profession. The programme included a day of academic presentations looking forward to the likely major scientific developments within our profession in the future.

The anniversary event also provided an opportunity to look to the past and the amazing history of the Faculty. The celebration was the

brainchild of former Faculty Dean, Professor Nigel Hunt OBE. The event had been expertly put together by Simon Littlewood (Board member) and a small working party. On arrival at the RCS delegates were steered to the Council room for welcome refreshments while perusing several exhibits. Displays were present relating to the history of the Library, research activity in the Faculty of Dental Surgery and some specimens from the Hunterian museum.

Registration allowed colleagues to catch up with longstanding professional acquaintances – many of whom had travelled from overseas to be at the meeting. Delegates were then steered through to the lecture hall for the first morning session. This session was chaired by Mr Matthew Garrett, Consultant in Restorative Dentistry and elected Board member. Matthew introduced the first speaker, Professor Martyn Cobourne, an orthodontist and head of department at King's College London Dental Institute. Professor Cobourne runs a laboratory-based

research group in the Department of Craniofacial Development and Stem Cell Biology at King's. He is Editor of The Journal of Orthodontics, has more than 100 publications and is the author of a number of textbooks. He presented futuristic work by his research group that involved experiments moving towards the artificial production of tooth germs. This work is progressing; however, there is difficulty controlling tooth morphology and colour in particular. There are some obstacles to be overcome before this technique will become a useful clinical adjunct.

The next speaker in the early morning session was Dr Andrew Dawood. Andrew is founder of the Dawood and Tanner Dental Practice and has a longstanding interest in the integration of information technology, dentistry and 3D printing. Andrew's experience in this area has extended from dentistry to large-scale industrial design. Andrew is an honorary consultant at University College London, the Chelsea and Westminster Hospital

and Moorfields Eye Hospital. He has a particular interest in management of patients who require implant-based rehabilitation and have suffered resection or trauma to their jaws. Andrew provided a superb presentation that focused on the interface between clinical implant placement and restorative management. He explained the advantages by harnessing information technology, both in the planning of such complex treatment and the production of the implants and prosthetic attachments. Andrew clearly demonstrated to the delegates the way in which implant dentistry is moving in the future. The high standards displayed in the cases shown during his presentation were in keeping with the philosophy of the Faculty of Dental Surgery, both during the past 70 years and moving forwards into the future.

Delegates had a short break for morning tea and professional networking before returning for the mid-morning session chaired by Dr Stephen Chadwick, Consultant Orthodontist in Chester and elected board member. The first speaker of this session was Professor Chris

Deery, who is based at the School of Dentistry in Sheffield. Chris was appointed Dean of the School of Clinical Dentistry in 2015 and is an honorary consultant in paediatric dentistry and Chair of the National Consultants in Paediatric Dentistry group. He has served for seven years as Editor-in-Chief of the *International Journal of Paediatric Dentistry* and his research interests are preventive dentistry, cariology, research in primary care and child-focused research.

Professor Deery's talk related to evidence-based paediatric dentistry including the FiCTION Study (Fillings in Children's Teeth; Indicated or Not?). There has been much focus in the media recently relating to

the money spent on extractions under general anaesthesia for young children in the UK. The FiCTION Study is nearing production of its first meaningful results. The study has aimed to explore the clinical and cost-effectiveness of restoring decay in children's primary teeth. The study



Dr Stephen Chadwick, Dr Paul Redmond, Professor Chris Deery and Mr Simon Littlewood.

is being led from the University of Dundee in collaboration with six other universities and other dental centres throughout the UK. The results, when published, will almost certainly challenge conventional techniques in managing decayed primary teeth.

The final speaker of the morning was Dr Paul Redmond, Director of Student Life at the University of Manchester and one of the UK's leading experts on the graduate employment market. Paul has spent more than 30 years surrounded by student graduates, human resource specialists and labour market analysts. This experience has put him in a unique position to observe and research generational differences. The majority of delegates will have gone for lunch inspired to attempt improved communication with teenagers – either their own offspring or patients under their care.

Lunch was served in the Edward Lumley Hall, which allowed delegates the chance to reminisce regarding presentation ceremonies attended over the years. Following further perusal of the displays (including

sponsors 'Ortho-Care'), we were steered gently back to the lecture theatre for the first afternoon session. This was chaired by Mr Jay Kindelan, Consultant Orthodontist and elected Board member. The afternoon's first

speaker saw the return of one of the morning's session Chairs, Dr Stephen Chadwick. Stephen is presently serving as a consultant orthodontist in Chester and teaches at Liverpool University and Manchester University. Stephen is a true servant of the Faculty who works on many committees and is a recent Vice-Dean.

Stephen's presentation was intriguingly titled Crystal Balls and Astrology Combined: A Glimpse into the Future of Dental Care. Stephen's presentation reflected on the exponential rise in the use of social media, both personally and professionally. Stephen conveyed wise words on how we make use



Dr Stephen Chadwick, Mr Jay Kindelan and Dr Alan Mighell

of social media in our lives. At all times the importance of reflecting a professional manner in any electronic communications is most important.

The second speaker of the early afternoon session was Dr Alan Mighell. Alan is a specialist in oral medicine based at the University of Leeds. Alan completed his Bachelor and Doctorate degrees at the University of Leeds prior to completing his specialty clinical training in oral medicine and appointment as Senior Lecturer and Honorary Consultant in Oral Medicine. He is a Past President of the British Society for Oral Medicine and leads a multidisciplinary research team looking into enamel



Dr Stephen Hancocks OBE and Mrs Vanita Brookes

formation translating to patient care. The main focus of his presentation related to the genetic changes causing Amelogenesis Imperfecta and how this condition might be managed more effectively in the

Special Care Dentistry and elected Board member. Vanita had the pleasure of introducing Mr Stephen Hancocks for his presentation analysing the relevance of dentistry in the future. Stephen is a dentist,

future. Delegates then broke for refreshments prior to the final session of the academic presentations.

The final session of the day's programme was chaired by Mrs Vanita Brookes, Consultant in

writer, editor, publisher and performer. He is Editor-in-Chief of the *British Dental Journal* and also co-owns his own publishing company. He was awarded honorary membership of the American Dental Association and a place in the prestigious FDI's List of Honour. He received the OBE in 1997 for services to the dental profession and has an MA from the Central School of Speech and Drama in London. Stephen's presentation rounded off the day nicely with an amusing look at where the profession is likely to be heading in the next few decades. He was enthusiastic about the important role of the Faculty of Dental Surgery for the next 70 years and more.

25 years at the Royal College of Surgeons

Mrs Jane Donald (PA to the Dean) celebrated 25 years at The Royal College of Surgeons of England in April 2017. Jane joined the RCS in 1992 and moved to the Faculty of Dental Surgery in 1998. She has since worked with an impressive eight Deans! At the last Board meeting in June, Jane was presented with a certificate and the McNeil-Love medal in recognition of her service to the RCS. The Faculty owe Jane a significant debt of gratitude for her service over the years and we heartily congratulate her on this achievement.



Mrs Jane Donald and Professor Nigel Hunt

70th anniversary banquet

The Faculty held the 70th Anniversary Banquet in the Edward Lumley Hall, which was the Faculty's final dinner in this great hall before building works commence at the RCS. The Dean, Professor Nigel Hunt, welcomed and shook hands with more than 240 guests! Among the guests were the Deputy Lord Mayor of Westminster, Councillor Louise Hyams and Dr Sara Hurley, Chief Dental Officer for England.

Members of the House of Lords and Parliament included Baroness Finlay of Llandaff, Baroness Benjamin, Lord Hunt of King's Heath and Sir Paul Beresford. Presidents from other Royal Colleges included Dr Liam Brennan, Mr Mike Burdon, Professor Neena Modi and Dr Terry Kemple. Mr Ian Brack, Chief Executive and Registrar of the GDC. RCS President, Miss Clare Marx and Past Presidents Sir Barry Jackson, Sir Norman Williams and Lord Ribeiro, who gave an outstanding after-dinner speech.

We were delighted to welcome Miss Pamela Clarke, who joined the



Professor Nigel Hunt with Past Deans

Back Row: Mr J Warren Jones, Mr David Barnard, Professor Derrick Willmot, Professor Brian Avery. Front Row: Miss Kathy Harley, Professor Nigel Hunt, Mr John Llewelyn Williams



Left: Baroness Benjamin with Professor Nigel Hunt and Mrs Sue Hunt



Right: Deputy Lord Mayor of Westminster, Councillor Louise Hyams with Professor Nigel Hunt and Mrs Sue Hunt



Faculty in 1947. Pamela gave the Faculty tremendous help with our archived material, as did former Deans and senior fellows including Mr David Barnard, Mr Warren Jones, Professor Brian Avery, Professor Derrick Willmot, Miss Kathryn Harley, Professor Christopher Stephens, Professor Ian Benington, Professor John Frame and Professor Jonathan Shepherd. There were also several members of the Board and Staff of the Faculty present.

We were delightfully entertained with music by the Elvaston Ensemble and served a delicious meal by the caterers, Ampersand.

Sir Norman
Williams and
Lady Williams
with Professor
Hunt and Mrs
Sue Hunt

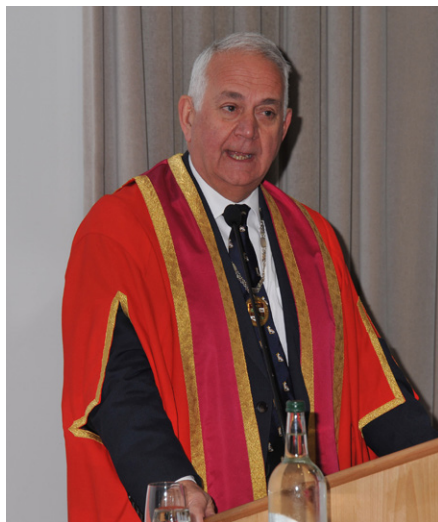
FGDP present gift to FDS on 70th anniversary

On behalf of the Faculty of General Dental Practitioners (UK), Dr Mick Horton presented the Faculty of Dental Surgery with a gift of a new chain for the Dean's medal in celebration of the 70th anniversary.



Dr Mick Horton and Professor Nigel Hunt

2017 regional advisors day



Professor Nigel Hunt

The annual meeting of the Regional Advisors, Specialty Advisors and Faculty Tutors of the Faculty was held on Thursday 23 March 2017. The theme of the day was What Is A Specialist? Pathways For Specialty Training And Delivering Secondary Care, and attracted around 52 delegates.

The meeting began with an introduction from the Dean of the Faculty followed by a presentation from the Chief Dental Officer for England's office. Eric Rooney, Deputy

Chief Dental Officer spoke about the context for service delivery and the work of consultants. His presentation covered three broad areas: national drivers, Local Dental Network (LDN) and Managed Clinical Network (MCN) development work and level 2 services.

The Five Year Forward View (FYFV) of the NHS was discussed. This guidance asks local health and care systems to come together to create their local plans for implementing the FYFV. These Sustainability and Transformation Plans (STPs) will replace based multi-year plans built around the needs of local populations. NHS Providers, Clinical Commissioning Groups, local authorities and other health and care services have come together to form 44 STP footprints and these are the areas in which organisations and people will work together to transform the way healthcare is planned and delivered.

Level 2 practitioners were discussed; it was argued that the process of

accreditation should be robust to ensure patient safety but should not be overly onerous and should not sit in isolation to specialty training pathways.

The review process of the curricula for specialist training was discussed by Duncan Fyfe, Policy and Project Officer of the General Dental Council and Melanie Catleugh, Chair of the Advisory Board for Specialist Training in Dentistry.

The GDC holds specialist lists in 13 areas of dentistry. Entry to a specialist list normally requires full GDC registration, completion of a specialist training programme approved by the GDC, and a certificate of completion of specialist training. The specialist lists are regulated through the General Dental Council (Specialist List) Regulations 2008. The Oral Surgery and Orthodontics specialties are recognised throughout Europe, and regulated through the European Primary and Specialist Dental Qualifications Regulations 1998.

Board Members

The first specialist lists were established in 1998. The GDC periodically reviews its role as holder of the specialist lists. These reviews are an opportunity to consider how the policy of holding specialist lists fits with the role of a modern regulator, as well as more specific issues relating to the regulation and administration of the specialist lists. They also provide a basis on which to establish the GDC's strategic priorities for the regulation of specialist dentistry. Reviews were conducted in 2005 and 2014.

The conclusions of the 2014 review were:

- Public and registrant research demonstrated in-principle support for regulation of specialties, but revealed that there was considerable scope for regulation to be better and clearer to benefit patients directly.
- Specialist listing provided patient protection insofar as it required registrants to demonstrate knowledge and ability in order to be listed.

- In their current form, at least, holding lists did not appear to help patients make informed choices about their care, although they might be helpful for referring professionals.
- The Council agreed that the GDC should continue to regulate the specialties but not make significant policy changes, which it does for minor administrative improvements.

At the Joint Committee for Postgraduate Training in Dentistry (JCPTD) meeting in December 2015, the GDC's then-Chief Executive agreed that the GDC would lead a review to revise all dental specialty curricula. A review was thought to be timely, as curricula will need to reflect the GDC's Standards for Specialty Education, which were approved by Council in April 2015; and the specialty curricula should be reviewed every five years to ensure they are fit for purpose and up to date. During subsequent debate there was a suggestion that there should be some high-level discussion on the timing of the review of the curricula to allow workforce and



Miss Clare Marx, Outgoing RCS President

service commissioning planning to take place and this is now ongoing.

There were further presentations, including an overview of the developments in assessment of specialty training and examinations offered by the Faculty. Following the day, Professor Helen Rodd delivered the Charles Tomes Lecture and this was followed by the Faculties Fellows' and Members' Dinner. The next Regional Advisors Day will be on 21 June 2017.

Matthew Garrett, FDS Board Member

2017 Charles Tomes lecture

Professor Helen Rodd from the University of Sheffield delivered the 2017 Charles Tomes Lecture entitled *The Trauma of Trauma – Psychosocial Impacts Of Sustaining A Dental Injury In Childhood*.

The lecture commenced with a fascinating personal account of how Professor Rodd first became interested in a dental career, following trauma to her own maxillary incisors in 1974. The focus of her presentation was on the psychosocial impact of trauma, rather than the more commonly covered biomedical aspects. The initial conundrum was how do we identify the psychosocial impacts?

Professor Rodd has been part of a multidisciplinary research group seeking children's views and stressed the importance of a skilled interviewer, with the absence of leading questions, when interviewing children. Qualitative approaches can be more creative, engaging and insightful, and are suitable for younger age groups and for children

with a learning disability.

Questionnaires on Oral Health Related Quality of Life (OHRQoL) tend to be completed in three ways. The child and parent each complete a separate section, and the parent also completes what is called a proxy response, which is done in relation to their child. It is worth noting that this is not entirely effective as parents tend to underestimate the effects of trauma and how their child is feeling. Conceptual frameworks are used which focus on four different domains including the social wellbeing of the child, the oral symptoms, the psychological wellbeing and function.

Professor Rodd had reviewed what individual and contextual variables affect the impact of Traumatic Dental Injury (TDI) on OHRQoL. She explored the use of contemporaneous patient diaries to record the experience of children over the age of 8. Participatory activities, written diaries, video diaries and blogs were all proved to be successful and recommended

techniques for gaining high-quality feedback.

Evidence was presented following a systematic review of studies that she had conducted on TDI. The majority of the work has been carried out in Brazil (80%), but has concentrated on quantitative approaches. Key findings have shown that children with untreated TDI were 20 times more likely to report an impact on their daily living when compared with controls. The extent of the injury was also significant. The negative impacts recorded were related to smiling, eating and enjoying contact with people. Socioeconomic status (SES) was influential, with developed countries recorded as having a greater impact on those with higher SES. Whereas in developing countries, the impact is higher for children from a low socioeconomic background, as the injuries tend to remain untreated.

A longitudinal study of children had been carried out at Sheffield Dental Hospital to review quality of life

impacts following childhood alveolar trauma and led to the development of a theoretical framework of resilience and adaptation. Feedback noted from the children included comments such as 'I was embarrassed to smile', 'I was unable to play rugby or ride my bike' and 'the numerous dental appointments meant I got behind with my schoolwork'. One example demonstrating the psychosocial impact was the exclusion of a young boy from important football trials. This was recorded as having the greatest and longest-lasting impact for him of TDI. Another example given was when a mother cried in front of their child as this signified to the child that the trauma was serious.

The impact of the Injury Event itself was also of interest in that one in six patients who have suffered a road traffic accident still suffer eight months later from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and there appears to be no correlation with severity of the injury. New research is necessary to find the best tool for assessment of PTSD.

Professor Rodd has also studied the impact of dental appearance-related

social judgements, by using a Social Attributes questionnaire where participants were invited to rate photographic subjects. Key findings demonstrated that where a patient's traumatic injuries had been restored, they were rated more positively than those with a visible dental injury. Furthermore, girls were more positive in their social judgements than boys! This highlighted the importance of clinicians endeavouring to provide high-quality and timely dental care, restoring optimum aesthetics in young children. Sadly, there is evidence to show that 40% of children in the UK do not receive appropriate emergency treatment for TDI.

Professor Rodd had investigated what children have to say about their treatment. The areas reviewed included interpersonal relationships, the clinical environment, physical discomfort and the burden of care. Children rated highly the importance of continuity of staff, being spoken to as an individual, plus the more obvious ones of kindness and friendliness. They did not like open-plan environments, where other children could be observed, nor

waiting for radiographs. The burden of care section noted that children actually do not like missing school, or missing sports.

Professor Rodd concluded that children may experience a variety of psychosocial impacts following TDI and that treatment in the past may well have neglected the important social context of these injuries. In future, research and practice should focus more on the views and experience of our patients so that all efforts can be made to reduce these impacts in future.

Professor Rodd kept the audience enthralled even as the day drew to a close, with humorous photographs, interesting case histories and beautiful illustrations. She cleverly acknowledged that a picture is worth a thousand words. It was a fascinating and thought-provoking presentation sharing vital work that is being done to help improve the quality outcomes for children suffering from traumatic dental injuries.

Selina Master, FDS Board Member

2017 Royal Garden Party

It was an absolute delight to be given such a magnificent opportunity by the Faculty. There was particular excitement when we received the invitation to the Royal Garden Party, which impressively stated that: 'The Lord Chamberlain is commanded by Her Majesty to invite...' In the run-up to the event, this was accidentally left in my sitting room for all to notice.

The day arrived with excellent weather. We went early to join the queue at the Grosvenor Gate, which promised to be shorter than that at the main entrance. Among those queueing in front of us, we met with the Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Huddersfield. Then we chatted with a recent MBE awardee who was queueing just behind. I did my best to look equally worthy of my invitation.

Once inside the gate, the noise and traffic vanished as if by magic and we entered a remarkably peaceful area of parkland, lakes, wild flowers and tree-lined paths, before reaching the more formal lawns provided with tea tents and music from the band.

Before 4pm, ushers had seamlessly positioned the crowd – somehow without ever seeming to do so, such that there was a clear route for the royal party. Although somewhat far from the front, we were alerted by the National Anthem and could clearly spot the Queen among those emerging from the palace before she and her party descended the steps to the lawn. After the descent they were harder to spot, but a tall gentleman



Ms Hazel Johnstone and Mr Kevin Holmes

nearby in the crowd kept us updated as to the Queen's progress towards us. As she passed the front of our section of the crowd, we were able to catch close sight of both the Queen and later the Duke of Edinburgh. We also saw them after, walking across the lawns as they left the royal tea tent to return to the palace.

Although there were many to be served, tea was perfect and presented as beautifully as one might expect. I counted myself lucky that the Queen had clearly taken the trouble to discover every one of my cake preferences in advance.

Hazel Johnstone, FDS Deputy Registrar

On Thursday 1 June my husband and I had the pleasure of attending a Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace on a beautiful sunny summer's afternoon. It was a truly wonderful experience. We arrived shortly after 3pm and entered through the gates at the front of the palace to join a fast-moving queue in the courtyard. There was a buzz of excitement as we moved forward through the palace and out into the gardens beyond. It was a spectacular sight, the garden teeming with hundreds of people all immaculately turned out, ladies in elaborate hats, people in dress uniforms, others with mayoral chains and some in national dress – to say nothing of the Yeoman of the guards in their bright uniforms.

We were treated to a delicious tea that included range of miniature sandwiches, and a host of small dainty cakes and scones (all identical in shape and size) accompanied by tea or Sandringham apple juice. As we enjoyed the tea we sat and listened to the military bands.

There was a cordoned off area outside the VIP tea tent and a lane to allow the royal party to move from the palace to the tea tent. We took up a position at the edge of the cordoned area to await the arrival of the Royal Party. At 4pm on the dot, the national anthem was played and the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh started to make their way down the gardens to the VIP tea tent. Naturally their progress was slow as they were stopping to talk with many of the guests. As we waited we soaked up the atmosphere, and before too long the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh emerged from the throng of people, and make their way to the tea tent to enjoy their tea.



Dr Judith Jones and Mr Lindsay Dick

Following this we were treated to ice cream, which was very welcome as it had been hot standing in the sun. We then wandered through the grounds, which are beautifully laid out and quite informal. It was peaceful and you would never have guessed you were in the heart of London.

Unfortunately, it was over all too quickly and the royal party made their way back towards the palace and at 6pm the national anthem played again and we all filed back through the palace and out onto the Mall.

It was a truly memorable experience and I am extremely grateful to the Dean and to FDS for allowing us to attend.

Judith Jones, FDS Board Member

Another medical training initiative success

The Medical Training Initiative (MTI) allows doctors and dentists from outside the European Union to undertake a period of training in the UK. Suitably experienced trainees benefit from the scheme by increasing their own skills and helping them to improve health services in their home countries. During their stay in the UK, eligible trainees may also enter College examinations.

Dr Pemith Liyanage

Dr Pemith Liyanage from Sri Lanka attended the Bristol Dental Hospital and School in 2016/2017 in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology. During his time in the UK he passed both parts of FRCPath in Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology. He also attended the national conference of the BSOMP, where he received a prize for the best poster presentation. He has now returned to Sri Lanka, where this valuable training is being

put into practice. We would like to acknowledge the support this trainee had from his supervising consultant Dr Miranda Pring in Bristol and the Regional Postgraduate Dental Dean, Health Education South West, Dr Jane Luker for their support for this MTI trainee.



Dr Pemith Liyanage

Further information about the MTI scheme for dentistry can be obtained from <https://www.rcseng.ac.uk/dental-faculties/fds/nacpde/overseas-qualified-dentists/tier-programmes/>

Margaret Wilson, Director of NACPDE

The virtual library: RCS library services online

The Royal College of Surgeons of England is currently undergoing a major transformation project. The redevelopment of the building means we're moving the Library's physical collections to off-site locations. The Library Reading Room is closed now, but FDS members still have access to a wide range of electronic resources and services via the Library web pages. These can be accessed by eligible members from anywhere in the UK and overseas; your starting point is to sign into the RCS webpage with your RCS login.

Once logged in, try SurgiCat+, our online catalogue, from where you can access e-journals, e-books, databases like Medline and Embase, and 3D anatomy teaching and learning resources.

SurgiCat+ now includes records for more than 1,000 e-books – clicking on the e-book button for a particular title will take you into ClinicalKey to view the book, and you can save chapters you are interested in if you register on the site.

If you want to brush up on your anatomy, Anatomy.tv lets you explore detailed, interactive 3D human anatomical models and images, with lots of supporting text and quizzes to test your knowledge. The Clinical Specialities section includes the Dentistry module, offering 3D head and neck anatomy specifically in the dental context.

Alternatively, Ackland's Video Atlas of Human Anatomy provides video recordings of real human anatomic specimens. Divided into volumes covering the major structures, volume 4 looks at the head and neck. Videos contain images that can be rotated, clips showing muscles, tendons and joints as moving structures and regular review sections.

As well as providing resources for you, our team of Information Specialists provide a literature search service to help you find the information you need to support your practice and research. Search results include links to full-text articles (where covered by RCS e-journal subscriptions),

which are accessible via your RCS login. If we don't have the titles you are looking for, we also offer a Document Delivery service.

We're currently working with partner organisations to develop ways of delivering services while our collections are off-site, and will update you later in the year when these have been finalised. Information on changes to Library services can be seen on our web page, which is regularly updated.

And if you're interested in finding out how we've gone about moving 110,000 books and journal volumes, 3,000 boxes of archives, and the contents of the Hunterian Museum and Wellcome Museum of Anatomy and Pathology, keep an eye on the 'Collections on the move' posts on our Library Blog.

If you have any questions please email us <mailto:library@rcseng.ac.uk> or call us on 020 7869 6556. Library staff are here to help you.

Deaths of fellows and members

The Faculty has been notified of the deaths of the following fellows and members

Surname	First names	Date of death	Latest address	Qualification
NEWLYN	Charles	03.02.2017	Richmond, UK	FDS (Examination) 1970
PRIESTLAND	Harold	27.02.2017	Isle of Man, UK	FDS (Examination) 1951
ARDOUIN	Dennis	15.03.2017	Hailsham, UK	FDS (Examination) 1963



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