



Global Oral Health Committee

Terms of Reference

Description

A sub-committee of the Global Affairs Standing Committee (GASC) established as a joint initiative between the College and the Faculty of Dental Surgery (FDS) to improve global access to high quality, safe and affordable oral surgical care. The committee will provide strategic advice and guidance on the development and implementation of surgical and dental systems strengthening activities.

Core Aims

The Committee works to:

1. Engage members of the Faculty of Dental Surgery (FDS).
2. Develop, implement and evaluate global oral health projects, programmes and partnerships.
3. Ensure that these programmes inform and reflect the strategic priorities set by College Council, the FDS Board and the College's Global Strategy.
4. Collaborate and/or coordinate activities and work plans with those of the Global Policy & Advocacy (GPA) Committee and the Global Surgery Programmes (GSP) Committee, where appropriate.
5. Consult and collaborate with relevant Council and Board Leads, committees, directorates, departments as appropriate.

Key Functions & Responsibilities

The Committee is responsible for working with Council/ Board Leads, College committees, directorates and departments to:

1. Advance global oral healthcare through the delivery of capacity-building and development projects.
2. Oversee the implementation of a project development, design and delivery process, which reflects the principles and values contained within the College's Global Strategy: partnership-based, needs-assessed, collaborative, sustainable, patient-centred and ethical.
3. Ensure that programmes are monitored and evaluated to measure impact, effectiveness and outcomes.
4. Contribute to the development and review of the College's Global Strategy, providing appropriate advice and recommendations to the GASC.
5. Support the development of strategic alliances and collaborations with overseas surgical & dental societies, colleges, ministries of health, specialty associations, academia, NGOs and other medical Royal Colleges.
6. Contribute to conferences, visits and missions (inward and outward) as appropriate.



7. Work with the Head of Global Affairs to identify fundraising, sponsorship and other income-generating opportunities to support and resource global oral health initiatives.
8. Work with the GPA and GSP Committees to ensure that the impact and learning outcomes from global oral health projects are translated into meaningful policy and advocacy positions to influence key decision-makers and advance oral surgical care.
9. Where appropriate, evaluate and advise other departments and committees on how the international dimension of their work might be best advanced.
10. Ensure a cross-organisational approach when delivering international activities.

Chair	Miss Charlotte Eckhardt, Vice Dean, FDS
Reporting to	Global Affairs Standing Committee
Meetings/year	Up to three