



LDC Conference 2023

List of motions carried at Conference

Please note that the numbering here reflects the original Conference listing.

Motion 1.

Birmingham LDC, Ranjit Singh Chohan

Re GDC v Lucy Williams, this Conference demands that NHSE pay all legal fees incurred in pursuing and losing the two appeals including the Court of Appeal at the High Courts of Justice. Registrants must not be expected to pay for the errors and ambiguities within the GDS 2006 contract, responsibility lies purely at the door of the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) and NHS England (NHSE).

UK

Motion 2.

Birmingham LDC, Abid Hussain

The findings of the Court of Appeal in GDC v Williams highlight once again many of the ambiguities in the 2006 GDS contract. Conference states that this is yet another reason for immediate and wholesale reform of a defunct contract, one not fit for purpose.

England and Wales, Policy

Motion 3.

Wakefield LDC, Tejaswi Mellachervu

This Conference asks for sessional payments to be offered in a new national contract in order to increase access.

England

Motion 4.

West Sussex LDC, Agi Tarnowski

This Conference calls for NHS England to recognise that vulnerable groups in primary care (outside current Community Dental Services acceptance criteria) require different funding arrangements than the current UDA model in primary care.

England

Motion 6.

Norfolk LDC, Andy Bell

This Conference believes that Continuing Professional Development, for all dental team members, should be a core part of contract reform including funded, protected time for practices to undertake relevant training.

UK

Motion 7.

North Yorkshire LDC, Ian Gordon

This Conference calls on the Government to rapidly expand the recent marginal gains. Whole scale contract reform is still needed but after 14 years of pilots the crisis in dentistry cannot wait any longer. A minimum UDA rate of £30 and a roll over of 10% of contract could be set today. That would help stabilise many practices and reduce contracts being handed back.

England

Motion 9.

Coventry LDC, William Sidhu

This Conference believes that Government is removing access to NHS dentistry by increasing patient charges and clawbacks instead of improving access to NHS dentistry.

England

Motion 10.

Bro Taf LDC, Ruwa Kadenhe

This Conference calls for all current and future Chief Dental Officers (CDOs) to take a leadership role in contractual arrangements and to be required to act in the best interests of patients (as required by the GDC) and not in the interests of politicians.

UK

Motion 11.

West Sussex LDC, Aqi Tarnowski

This Conference calls for NHS England not to use referral pathways as a means of rationing more complex dental care.

England

Motion 12.

West Sussex LDC, Aqi Tarnowski

This Conference calls for pragmatism in the face of ever reducing NHS commitments that allow child only contracts.

UK

Motion 13.

North Wales LDC, Jeremy Williams

This Conference calls for the complete removal of NHS dental targets for the contract year 2023-24 in Wales and for that to remain until a new and negotiated contract is provided by Welsh Government that demonstrates robust and well thought out metrics that are specific, measurable, achievable, relevant and time-based (SMART).

Wales

Motion 14.

Gwent LDC, Ben Payne

This Conference calls for Welsh Government to underwrite the metrics where practices are being asked to reserve time to manage access/emergency patients.

Wales

Motion 15.

Hertfordshire LDC, Alison Chastell

This Conference demands that Units of Dental Activity or Units of Activity (UDA/UOA) are awarded to practitioners to compensate for loss of practice time due to patients failing to attend appointments or cancelling with insufficient time to reallocate the time booked.

England and Wales, Policy

Motion 16.

Norfolk LDC, Jason Stokes

This Conference calls on GDPC and the BDA to insist that Whole Time Equivalent (WTE) number of dentists working within the NHS is accurately calculated by the various national governments. These should be the only figures used in debate and comparisons between the profession and the relevant government.

UK, Policy

Motion 17.

Calderdale & Kirklees LDC, Matthew Collins

This Conference calls on the Government to train enough UK dentists to meet the needs of the population.

UK

Motion 21.

Wirral LDC, Phillip Brown

This Conference calls for Government, NHS England, and Postgraduate Deaneries to work closely together to develop skill enhancing training pathways and to provide a system that would allow the delivery of enhanced services in a primary care setting for all general dental practitioners.

England, Policy

Motion 22.

Leicestershire LDC, Philip Martin

This Conference calls upon NHS England and COPDEND to carry out an urgent review into the remuneration and responsibilities of foundation trainers.

England and Wales, Policy

Motion 23.

Derbyshire County LDC, Rami Khatib

All members of the dental team who are involved in delivering NHS services should have access to occupational health services funded by the NHS.

England, Policy

Motion 24.

Birmingham LDC, Ranjit Singh Chohan

This Conference calls on provision of NHS pensions for all those working in dental practice that carry out NHS care.

UK, Policy

Motion 25.

Gwent LDC, Russell Gidney

This Conference calls for practices not to be penalised by confidentiality rules when a patient posts public comments on social media relating to care at a practice.

UK

Motion 26.

Gwent LDC, Dan Cook

This Conference believes that practitioners should not be expected to put their professional standing at risk when their patients go abroad as dental tourists and expect their UK dentist to put right the damage.

UK, Policy

Motion 27.

Birmingham LDC, Ahmad El-Toudmeri

This Conference calls for the GDC to reform their policy on immediately removing dental professionals from the register for missing payment deadlines.

UK

Motion 28.

Wakefield LDC, James Sanders

This Conference believes that the Chair of any Fitness to Practise Panel must be a person with experience of healthcare.

UK

Motion 30.

West Sussex LDC, Mary Green

This Conference calls for HTM01-05 guidance to be scrutinised by BDJ Evidence-Based Dentistry (EBD) on scientific evidence for cross infection and environmental sustainability.

England and Wales

Motion 31.

Birmingham LDC, Ahmad El-Toudmeri

This Conference calls for a formalised, protected place for LDC members with their local ICBs.

England, Policy

Motion 32.

Oxfordshire LDC, Laurie Powell

This Conference demands that funding for research and innovation (R&I) is available for dentistry on exactly the same basis and to the same extent as it is for medicine.

UK

Motion 33.

Leicestershire LDC, Hanif Moti

This Conference calls on BDA to assist with the creation of local business plans for dental services.

England

Motion 34.

North Yorkshire LDC, Ian Gordon

This Conference calls for all LDCs to financially support their representatives' travel to Regional Liaison Group meetings, GDPC meetings and LDC Officials' Day to enable more of the infinitely more valuable face to face meetings to take place.

UK

Motion 35.

Birmingham LDC, Ranjit Singh Chohan

This Conference calls on a collective day of CPD to demonstrate what a total lack of NHS dental provision looks like.

UK