The GDC's Standards for the dental team states that all dental professionals must 'raise concerns if patients are at risk'. What should you look out for and how would you go about raising concerns?

This May BDJ Team is pleased to publish a headlining article by Priya Sharma on the recommended CPD topic of safeguarding children,

> young people and vulnerable adults. Check your reading of this article by visiting our CPD Hub and completing one hour of verifiable CPD: http://bit.ly/2e3G0sv.

In the paediatric sphere of dentistry DCT Shaadi Manouchehri focuses on a positive experience for the child dental patient: first impressions, communication and managing anxiety about dental treatment. Read Shaadi's guide to a team approach to child patient management. 'A warm and welcoming reception team with a positive attitude would help the patients be more at ease,' says Shaadi.

Continuing with our recent theme of looking at oral health related to specific

patient conditions, this month we look at inflammatory bowel disease. BDJ authors Chandan and Thomas investigate how antiinflammatory medications taken to manage Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis can have side effects that affect the oral cavity.

We also delve into the background or daily routine of three dental nurses: Michelle, Michaela and Farzana, each very different but all with a passion for their roles in dentistry.

Recently we have been sharing a 'top six' list of our most popular recent articles on social media. If you wish to check that you haven't missed anything, or if you would like to comment on

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