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BSDHT Oral Health Conference and Exhibition

Date: 9-10 November 2012
Venue: ACC, Liverpool
Telephone: 01452 886365
www.bsdht.org.uk

Expert Panel Consensus Meeting on Monitoring, Diagnosis and Treatment of Peri-implant Disease

Date: 19 November 2012
Venue: Savoy Place, London
Telephone: 020 8487 5555
www.adi.org.uk/consensus2012

BACD Annual Conference

Date: 22-24 November 2012
Venue: MCCC, Manchester
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www.bacd.com

IMAGINA DENTAL: 2nd 3D & CAD/CAM Digital Dentistry Congress

Date: 21-23 February 2013
Venue: Grimaldi Forum, Monaco
www.imaginadental.org/2013

British Dental Conference & Exhibition 2013

Date: 25-27 April 2013
Venue: ExCel London
www.bda.org/conference

ADI Team Congress

Date: 1-3 May 2013
Venue: Manchester Central Convention Complex
www.adi.org.uk/congress2013

Dental Sedation Teachers Group Symposium: Simulation in Conscious Sedation – Education, Teamwork and Practice

Date: 14 May 2013
Venue: Millennium Stadium, Cardiff
www.DSTG.co.uk

CAMPAIGN TO INSTILL CONFIDENCE IN DENTISTRY TURNS ONE

Heart Your Smile, a campaign to inspire confidence in dentistry and help dental teams engage their local communities and patients, celebrated its first birthday at an event in London in September.

On an informal evening attended by dental professionals and members of the dental press, Heart Your Smile trustees Simon Gambold, Seema Sharma and James Goolnik (pictured, left to right) gave presentations and thanked supporters of the campaign.

Heart Your Smile was formulated by a group of dental professionals and industry leaders taking a stand against ‘the doom and gloom and negativity’ dentistry has experienced in recent years. Launched at BDTA Showcase in 2011, it outlines a nine-point manifesto for change in the UK dental profession, dubbed *The nine habits of a happy dental professional*, and is designed to instill confidence and inspiration in the dental profession.

James, who initiated the idea, said, ‘Heart Your Smile is about providing dental professionals with the right tools to ensure patients have a positive experience at the dentist and to encourage regular attendance.’

To find out more about Heart Your Smile and to lend your support, visit www.heartyourmile.co.uk.



DONATE YOUR CHRISTMAS PRESENCE

Crisis at Christmas are calling for specialist volunteers including dentists, dental nurses and dental hygienists to sign up to donate their services to help homeless people in London over the festive season.

The urgent call is for volunteers to work shifts from 9 am to 5.30 pm from 23 December through to 29 December 2012. Crisis, the national charity for single homeless people, asks that every volunteer signs up for a minimum of two shifts.

Past dental volunteer Mary and her husband Alan said that the experience had a profound effect on them both. ‘Volunteering has been the most professionally and emotionally rewarding experience of my entire year,’ said Mary.

Up to ten temporary centres will be set up in London as part of Crisis at Christmas. The centres will provide vital companionship and hot meals for homeless and vulnerably housed people as well as essential services like health checks, housing advice, training and education opportunities.

Online volunteer applications opened on 15 October – further information can be found at www.crisis.org.uk/pages/volunteer.html or by calling 0300 636 1000.