

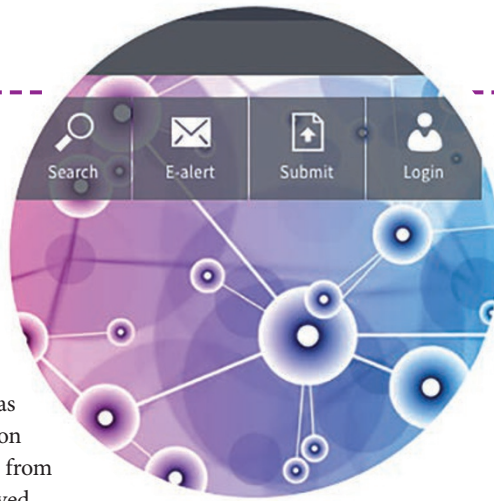
BDJ TEAM NOW ACCEPTS MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS

BDJ Team, the *BDJ* Portfolio's online magazine for the whole dental team, has launched its own manuscript submission site, to encourage original submissions from dental care professionals (DCPs) involved in research.

BDJ Team was launched in 2014 and is published ten times a year on a dedicated website and offers DCPs free verifiable continuing professional development (CPD) through the British Dental Association's (BDA's) CPD Hub.

BDJ Team publishes a broad spectrum of articles aimed at DCPs, including interviews and features, news, letters, dental product information, and research. Recent original content published on the *BDJ Team* site includes:

- *Treatment of dental caries under general anaesthetic in children* (<http://go.nature.com/2utn3tK>)
- *Paediatric dentistry and the dental team*



(<http://go.nature.com/2pO18JE>)

- *Exploring alternative methods of gag reflex control. Part 1: Acupressure* (<http://go.nature.com/2eJUjqW>).

BDJ Team's manuscript submission site mirrors those currently used by the *BDJ* and by *BDJ Open*, and enables easy tracking of articles and peer review as required.

If you are interested in submitting an article relevant to the DCP audience to *BDJ Team*, visit <http://mts-bdjteam.nature.com/cgi-bin/main.plex>, or visit www.bdjteam.co.uk and select 'submit'. All article types are welcome on the site. For more information and guidance please email the *BDJ Team* Editor Kate Quinlan on bdjteam@nature.com.

Dental nurses to convene in Milton Keynes

The 2017 National Dental Nursing Conference will be held at the Milton Keynes Hilton on 17 and 18 November 2017.

The Conference will be opened by Postgraduate Dental Dean John Darby, and current British Association of Dental Nurses (BADN) President Jane Dalgarno will hand over the chain of office to incoming President Hazel Coey at the Opening Ceremony.

The Conference programme, which offers seven hours of verifiable CPD, will include presentations on Healthy Habit Formation; Dentaaid in the UK and Overseas; Dental Nursing in Oman; Dementia; and What the Butler Saw! Care and Maintenance of Decontamination Equipment. Matthew Hill, Executive Director, Strategy at the General Dental Council (GDC) will be delivering a GDC Update on Friday, and GDC Head of Standards Janet Collins will be closing the Conference programme with a dental nurse specific presentation on Enhanced CPD, which will be introduced for dental care professionals (DCPs) from August 2018, on Saturday.

Dental nurses (and other members of the dental team) can attend Conference on either or both days, with discounted rates for current BADN members. There are also special rates for student dental nurses, and anyone booking before 6 October 2017 will enjoy special early bird rates. Conference fees include the opening/closing ceremonies, conference programme, conference handbook, and e-CPD certificate, as well as refreshments and buffet lunch. There is also an optional informal dinner on Friday evening. The BADN Annual General Meeting, open to members only, will be held on Friday afternoon.

Online registration is now open and everyone on the BADN distribution lists will have been sent an e-invitation to register. More information, and a link to the registration site, is also available at www.badn.org.uk/conference.



CDS TEAM ARE A BIG HIT AT COMMUNITY SHOW



North East London's Community Dental Service recently spent their weekend volunteering their time to promote oral health at the Annual Mayor's Newham Town Show.

The service has been involved in the show for several years and this year made a record 3,478 contacts at the oral health stand, teaching children and parents about oral hygiene, dental-specific diet advice and going to the dentist.

The team included oral health promoters, dental therapists, dental nurses and dentists.

Natalie Bradley, who wrote to *BDJ Team*, said: 'Everyone had lots of fun. It was incredible to see such genuine interest from the public and eager children filling in our quizzes and word-searches or brushing our set of giant teeth.'

'As well as our oral health stand, we were able to provide oral health screening on our mobile dental unit. Over the two days we saw 485 adults and children for oral health screens, many of whom required signposting to dentists as they required treatment.' Luckily the weather was on the team's side and with live music playing in the background and copious amounts of free toothbrushes and toothpaste to give out, there was a lively and festival-like atmosphere inside the unit that helped to acclimatise some of the more nervous or younger children into learning how a visit to the dentist can be fun.

Natalie said: 'I think getting the dental profession more involved in events like this is essential at tackling our public health issues head on and it can be really effective. Bring on next year!'