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The BACD Roadshow: The future of dentistry: should you be scared?

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UCL Eastman CPD: Budgeting and management accounts

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Dentsply Academy: Posterior Restorations Made Easy

Date: 22 March, 29 March

Venue: Liverpool, Northampton

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UCL Eastman CPD: Thinking of Buying or Selling a Practice?

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APRIL

Oral-B Up To Date scientific exchange seminar

Date: 7 April 2011

Venue: St David's Hotel, Cardiff

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BADT Professionalism in Practice workshop

Date: 9 April 2011

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Get the Right Angle on Digital Imaging & IRMER

Date: 13 April 2011

Venue: Leeds

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iTOP: Developing proven strategies for more effective patient communication

Date: 15-16 April 2011

Venue: Shrigley Hall, Macclesfield

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MERSEYSIDE GP AND GDP JOIN FORCES

A GP in Merseyside has joined forces with a dentist to launch a new NHS dental practice which will cater for up to 3,500 people in Knowsley, thanks to the Department of Health's Dental Access Programme which aims to enable more people to see a dentist.

Origins Dental Care has launched as part of Knowsley Health & Wellbeing's work to improve access to dental care and is now accepting new patients at Whiston Primary Care Resource Centre.

Oral health in Knowsley is significantly poorer than the national average, particularly among the borough's younger population. Recent research by the NHS Dental Epidemiology Pro-

gramme revealed that 56% of 12-year-olds in Knowsley have at least one tooth which is decayed, missing or already has a filling.

'I am delighted to be able to offer thousands of Knowsley residents the opportunity to access NHS dental services as we know local people have been struggling to gain access,' said dentist Dr Ravi Gollapudi, who will head up the new service. Dr Gollapudi will be working alongside GP Dr Sudhaker Khandavalli who has worked in the borough for 28 years and has helped shape the Origins Dental Centre service to ensure it caters for the specific dental health needs of people in Knowsley.

TREKKERS NEEDED IN WEST BENGAL FOR DENTAID

This year's sponsored Dentaaid trek will run from 1-14 October in North East India. The first two days will be spent assisting at a dental clinic in a home for disabled children in Calcutta, followed by a 60 km trek through West Bengal's mountains, forests and villages and a visit to a Buddhist monastery.

Dentaaid is a dental charity that collects unwanted equipment from surgeries and hospitals for refurbishment and shipping to the developing world to equip clinics and teaching hospitals.

Apart from hotels at the start and end of the trip accommodation is in moun-

tain huts or tents and individuals interested in taking part can either meet costs themselves or raise them through sponsorship.

Author James Goolnik is donating all of the profits from his book *Brush: proven strategies to make you and your dental business shine* to Dentaaid. Dentist James shares his practical wisdom for creating a successful life and dental practice in the book, which was due to be launched on 11 March.

If you would like to find out more about Dentaaid and the trek, visit www.dentaaid.org.

