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CAREERS OPEN DAY THIS MARCH

Rodericks is holding a Dentist Careers Open Day on Saturday 5 March 2016 in Northampton.

This will present the perfect opportunity for you to learn about the group, its values and ethos, and engage with the team to find out how they progressed in their careers.

It will also enable you to discover what it's like working as an associate, DCT or specialist with the group, while also picking up practical hints and tips on CV writing and interviews from highly experienced clinicians.

In order to keep provision of excellent patient care and treatment as a top priority, Rodericks is keen to help its professionals develop and expand their skills through ongoing training and education. There are also always opportunities to take on new roles and take your career to the next level.

To find out more about what Rodericks could offer you, don't miss the Dentist Careers Open Day in March at the Head Office in Northampton. Places are limited so book now to avoid disappointment.

For more information about the Rodericks Careers Open Day or to book your place visit www.rodericksopendays.co.uk.

A TOOTHPASTE BACKED BY HIGH QUALITY EVIDENCE

In 2013 the Cochrane Oral Health Group carried out a review of triclosan/copolymer-containing toothpastes for oral health. This review assesses the effects of triclosan/copolymer-containing fluoride toothpastes compared with toothpastes containing fluoride only, for the long-term control of caries, plaque and gingivitis in children and adults. Thirty published studies were reviewed, involving 14,835 patients who had been randomised to receive a triclosan/copolymer-containing fluoride toothpaste or a fluoride toothpaste not including triclosan/copolymer.

The evidence produced shows the clinical benefits of using a triclosan/



copolymer fluoride toothpaste twice daily when compared with a fluoride toothpaste (without triclosan/copolymer).

The results showed a 22% reduction in plaque, 22% reduction in gingivitis, 48% reduction in bleeding gums, and 5% reduction in tooth decay.

This evidence led to the authors concluding 'Fluoride toothpastes containing triclosan and copolymer reduced plaque, gingival inflammation and gingival bleeding when compared to fluoride only toothpastes.'

'Delivering better oral health - an evidenced based toolkit for prevention' cites this systematic review in section 6, 'Improving periodontal health' quoting the authors' findings. The toolkit also identifies Colgate Total as the only toothpaste available containing triclosan with co-polymer.

Dental professionals can recommend Colgate Total toothpaste with confidence in the high quality of evidence from the Cochrane group. For more information on Colgate Total toothpaste and to download the review visit www.colgateprofessional.co.uk/products/colgate-total-toothpaste/overview.

SUPPRESSING THE GROWTH OF BACTERIAL FLORA

As the baby boom generation reaches old age, greater numbers of people are retaining their teeth and the key issue for practitioners is controlling periodontal disease successfully.

When patients present with periodontal pockets, professional scaling and root surface debridement is of paramount importance to clear the subgingival areas of bacterial toxins.

Afterwards, and to provide continued preventative treatment in pockets ≥ 5 mm deep, practitioners can also rely on PerioChip as an effective adjunctive therapy. This intra-periodontal insert

contains chlorhexidine digluconate that is able to eliminate harmful bacteria for up to seven days after placement.

PerioChip is also able to suppress the growth of bacterial flora in the treated site for up to 11 weeks, offering substantial ongoing therapy to assist the healing process.

You can keep your patients' teeth and gums healthy by making PerioChip your first line in treating for this prolific disease. To find out more, contact the team now.

PerioChip is available exclusively from Dexcel Dental. To order or for further information call 0800 013 2333 or email team@periochip.co.uk.

