

# Specialist NICE appointment for Professor Kay



Professor Liz Kay has been appointed a specialist committee member for the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE).

Professor Kay is Foundation Dean of the Peninsula Dental School at Plymouth University, a member of the *BDJ* Editorial Board. Her appointment as specialist committee member comes after her work developing NICE guidelines for improved oral health in

care homes.<sup>1</sup> As a full specialist committee member she will apply her professional knowledge to NICE debates on a standard for the quality and measurement of oral health promotion in care homes and hospitals. Professor Kay will also contribute to the development of supporting resources to accompany the quality standard and indicators for national programmes such as the Quality and Outcomes Framework for primary care, and the Clinical Commissioning Group Outcome Indicator Set.

Commenting on her appointment Liz said: 'This is a huge honour and great opportunity to help form improvements to oral health promotion in health care environments where there is need. Those receiving care, either in a hospital or a care home, need to be reassured that their good oral health is foremost in the minds of those delivering their care.'

1. NICE. NICE Pathway - Oral health for adults in care homes. NG48. July 2016. Available at: <https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng48> (accessed September 2016).

## Advanced dentistry conference this weekend!

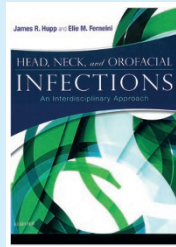
The British Society for Advanced Dentistry (BSAD) Conference is being held from 23-25 September 2016 in the Marriott Hotel in Cardiff City Centre.

Four presentations on the theme of 'Monitoring and maintaining dental health' will be given on Saturday morning, followed by table presentations and discussions in the afternoon and a gala dinner with presidential address and entertainment in the evening.

On Sunday morning a 'Question Time' style panel discussion will be held at 9.30 am with the panel comprising Stuart Johnston (BDA President), David Thomas (ex-CDO Wales and Welsh postgraduate dental dean), Stephen Henderson (Senior Dento-legal advisor DPL), and Abhi Pal (Vice-dean and Education Chair FGDP[UK]). This will be followed by the AGM at 11 am.

The British Society for Advanced Dentistry was formerly known as the British Society for General Dental Surgery. For more information visit [www.bsgds.org.uk](http://www.bsgds.org.uk).

## BOOK REVIEW



### HEAD, NECK AND OROFACIAL INFECTIONS: AN INTERDISCIPLINARY APPROACH

James R. Hupp and Elie M. Ferneini

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*Head, neck and orofacial infections: An interdisciplinary approach* is another first rate text from James R. Hupp *et al.* With infection forming a keystone of daily practice this text offers a wealth of information to any clinician working in the orofacial region.

The book is meticulously ordered, separated into three main parts, each containing its own chapters. The first section provides a solid grounding in the basic science of head and neck infection, with helpfully illustrated pages providing clinical focus throughout. The section walks the reader through important anatomy, imaging, microbiology and laboratory diagnosis, with key texts and papers highlighted in the end of chapter bibliographies.

The second section provides clinical emphasis, discussing the epidemiology, pathophysiology, microbiology, diagnosis and treatment of infections of all parts of the orofacial region including: the ear, the orbit and the salivary glands.

The final section considers special topics related to head and neck infection including 'Infection in the Craniomaxillofacial Trauma Patient', 'Microbiologic Consideration with Dental Implants' and 'Infections following Head and Neck Reconstruction' as well as eight others. Chapters are enhanced with clinical photographs and referenced to substantiate the information given.

The book concludes with two appendices which encompass case reports of a variety of the infections discussed throughout the text. These give the reader further insight and allow for assessment of the clinical acumen acquired from reading the text.

Overall, this text provides an easy to read yet comprehensive guide to the basic science, clinical diagnosis and holistic management of a broad range of head, neck and orofacial infections, and will cater for anyone looking to improve their knowledge base in this vast area. This book would particularly suit those in undergraduate and early postgraduate training looking to broaden their understanding of the range of conditions that affect the orofacial Region, and would provide a good reference source on the shelf of those established in primary care, secondary care and oral and maxillofacial units.

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## Erratum

*News British Dental Journal* 2016; **221**: 53

### Honours, awards, appointments: New board members

This news story announced that the Faculty of General Dental Practice (UK) has sworn in five new board members, but incorrectly said that Ian Mills was a new member. The new members are Mark Richardson, Yann Maidment, Johanna Bryant, Reena Wadia and Pankaj Patel. We apologise for this error and the inconvenience caused.