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Ed's letter



‘Those I’ve spoken to about CPD have mixed feelings,’ says Steph Horner, a dental nurse and Decontamination Lead from Colchester

who has just joined *Vital’s* reader panel.

Steph’s sentiments are echoed by DCPs

across the country: yes, CPD is essential to stay registered with the GDC and keep up to date, but finding the time, resources and funds to complete it can be a challenge.

If you are one of the 4,600 DCPs who, according to the GDC, have logged no CPD hours, **start now!** Turn to Nicky Gough’s straightforward refresher article on CPD on page 34.

Then turn to page 49 to get started on this month’s *Vital* verifiable CPD, which includes a precious hour on radiography – essential core CPD. If you’re still stuck or confused about CPD, send us an email or drop us a line and we’ll see what we can do to point you in the right direction. *Vital* is **your** magazine!

This is the last *Vital* of 2012 and we have an exciting year ahead: 2013 is *Vital’s* 10th anniversary! Look out for some special offers and competitions in upcoming issues. If something momentous is happening in your life in 2013 then we’d love to hear about it – whatever it is, dentistry-related or not.

In the meantime find a warm, comfy spot, pull up a brew, and get stuck into this issue of *Vital*. And have a happy festive season with your dental teams across the land!

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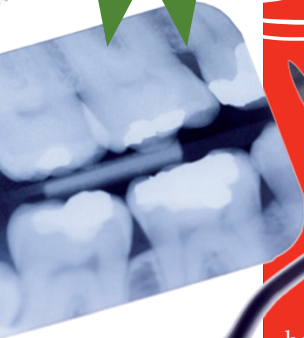
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