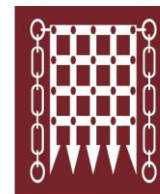


**Westminster Health Forum policy conference:
Next steps for dentistry in England - access, prevention and reform**

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Alice Macdonald MP
- 9.05 **Assessing the current position of NHS dentistry and progress so far with the dental recovery plan**
Tom Tyson, Senior Audit Manager, NAO
Lee Summerfield, Director, Investigations, NAO
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Priorities for improving patient access to NHS dentistry services**
Rebecca Curtayne, External Affairs Manager, Healthwatch England
- 9.45 **The Dentistry Rescue Plan and addressing pressures in NHS dentistry, accessibility and oral health**
assessing the direction of government policy and the practicalities of implementation | recruitment in areas of greatest need | the impact of incentives on retention | increasing capacity for emergency appointments without affecting routine care | public awareness of services and schemes | funding, developing effective local commissioning, and tackling inequalities | tooth brushing in schools | challenges in paediatric dentistry and moving towards a preventative model
Andy Evans, CEO, DentaId
Senior representative, dental practice
Senior representative, integrated care
Senior representative, paediatric dentistry
Senior representative, education
- 10.15 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 **Chair's closing remarks**
Alice Macdonald MP
- 10.50 Break
- 11.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Jessica Toale MP
- 11.05 **Priorities for strengthening the dentistry workforce - quality and standards of care**
Stefan Czerniawski, Executive Director, Strategy, General Dental Council
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.30 **Addressing workforce pressures and utilising the full scope of the dentistry workforce**
Miranda Steeples, President, British Society of Dental Hygiene and Therapy
- 11.45 **Improving long-term provision of NHS dentistry, contract reform and shifting to a preventative model of care**
addressing challenges presented by current targets | appropriate funding for time, resources, treatment and delivery of routine care | options for contract reform to incentivise efforts for accessing hard to reach groups | delivery of workforce expansion commitments | key considerations for improving retention | lessons from prototypes and options for taking a capitation approach
Senior representative, workforce
Senior representative, think tank
Senior representative, legal
Senior representative, prevention
- 12.05 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **The outlook of NHS dentistry and the next steps for reform**
Senior commentator
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Health Forum closing remarks**
Jessica Toale MP
Jessica Lear, Westminster Health Forum