**WGDPC Chair update 29/6/2020**

In order to improve communication pathways between WGDPC and LDCs, WGDPC will be sending over regular updates to LDC’s which we would be grateful if could be circulated via the normal LDC channels.

Last week, a few members of WGDPC along with colleagues from BDA Wales met with the CDO. We talked around NHS contract changes which are now reframed as a recovery plan until March 2021. WGDPC have produced an FAQ sheet which will be released and circulated ASAP. This will include information on UDAS, ACORN paperwork and options for practices amongst other topics. We do appreciate that this feels like it is coming late in the day but as ever things often take longer than we would like. These FAQ will be added to as we learn more.

Later this week the Chair and Vice Chair of WGDPC alongside the Chair of the Welsh Committee for Community Dentistry will meet the Welsh Governments Health Select Committee to outline the impacts of Covid 19 on the Dental Community and discuss our key concerns going forward. We will keep you updated on this.

We also expect to receive a formal reply to the range of questions that we have posed to the CDO on the de-escalation plans, mixed practice and many other topics and will provide these as they are received.

LDC Conference is planned for Saturday July 25th, with more details at the website <https://www.ldcuk.org/>, now more than ever the voice of the LDC is vital.

Further updates to LDC’s from WGDPC will follow.

Thanks

Tom Bysouth

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