

Report on LDC Officials' Day 4th December 2015

As ever the LDC Officials' Day was very England oriented, but there were some items that had some some relevance to Wales.

The new CDO for England, Sara Hurley gave a keynote speech at the event. There was a general feeling that she said the right things, saying very much what the audience wanted to hear and certainly signaling a change in emphasis to her predecessor. She expressed her enthusiasm for engaging with and meeting with the profession. She gave some background as to her dental career in the Army, her experiences of strategic health care planning, she also outlined her vision for the future of the profession, particularly including young dentists. The CDO outlined how she wanted to support the profession. She wanted the profession to help her to shape the future of NHS dentistry services through influencing NHS England and getting involved in the commissioning of services through Managed Clinical Networks (MCNs) and Local Professional Networks (LPNs).

A presentation was given on Antimicrobial Resistance which was very informative. The BDA website has a page which is very informed and with links to relevant information. This page is at <https://www.bda.org/amr> .

A presentation was given on the Oral Cancer Toolkit. Once again the BDA website contains excellent information at <https://www.bda.org/mouth-cancer>.

Presentations were given by the British Dental Guild, Dentists' Health Support Trust and BDA Benevolent Fund.

The chair of GDPC updated delegates on the work of the GDPC and latest news and GDPC response to Conference Motions. The presentation can be found in the link at the end of the report. The latest report on GDPC can be found on our website at <http://www.morgannwglcdc.org.uk/latestnews/gdpc-meeting-2-october-2015/> and it might be appropriate for you to review the latest LDC connection available on our website at <http://www.morgannwglcdc.org.uk/latestnews/lcdc-connections-october-2015/>.

Further presentations were on LDCs in a Changing NHS, Update on Performer List Developments (England), Learning from Inspections (England but useful to know in Wales), Legal Conundrums and Contractual queries (both relevant to Wales).

A link to all the presentations at the Officials' Day can be accessed here in the folder 'LDC Officials' Day' <https://www.dropbox.com/s/if384rj52n6ndug/LDC%20Officials%27Day%20-%20Shortcut.lnk?dl=0>. If you are not familiar with Dropbox you will be asked if you want to create an account, just say no and you will be taken to the folder where you can download the files.

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