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PRESS RELEASE

FGDP(UK) Welcomes New Vice Dean

The Faculty of General Dental Practice (UK) is pleased to announce the election of Ian Wood as its Vice Dean.

Ian has worked in general dental practice since he qualified in 1979, and is the owner of a five-surgery practice in Manchester. He was elected to the FGDP(UK) Board in 2000 and has held several positions within the Faculty, including MFGDP(UK) tutor and Director of the Faculty's north-west division. He currently serves as Chair of the Credit Transfer Committee.

Following formal appointment to the role at the FGDP(UK)'s Board meeting held on 15 June, Ian said, *"I am delighted to have been elected as Vice Dean, and am looking forward to working alongside the Dean and Faculty colleagues at a time when so many new initiatives are coming to fruition."*

In 2004, Ian became the first Course Director for the FGDP(UK)'s Diploma in Restorative Dentistry, an innovative programme recognised as offering a high standard of training and mentoring in the field. Ian was awarded the Fellowship of the Faculty in 2005, and recently completed an MPhil in Operative Dentistry from Manchester University.

In welcoming Ian's election, FGDP(UK) Dean, Richard Hayward, said, *"I believe that the breadth and depth of experience that Ian will bring to our team, combined with his*

genuine desire to see the Faculty continue to flourish, will be of great value over what promises to be an exciting year for the FGDP(UK)."

Ian joins Andy Hadden, who has also been elected to serve a second year as Vice Dean.

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