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PRESS RELEASE

**NEW CHAIR OF PCD ADVISORY BOARD FOR THE  
FACULTY OF GENERAL DENTAL PRACTICE (UK)**

The Faculty of General Dental Practice (UK) is pleased to announce the election of Mabel Slater as chairperson of its Professionals Complementary to Dentistry (PCD) Advisory Board in succession to Stephen Lambert-Humble.

The PCD Advisory Board, established in 2002, aims to support PCDs in delivering a high standard of care through the provision of advice and standards for clinical care. It works with all groups of PCDs and has links with associations and official groups as well as individuals. The PCD Advisory Board is a focus and benchmark for all PCD team matters and activities, helping with the accreditation of training, offering educational support and providing a journal of continuing professional education for the whole team, *Team in Practice*, with all articles appropriate to the whole team.

Mabel Slater – a qualified dental hygienist – is Director of PCDs at Guy's, King's and St Thomas' Dental Institute. Formerly the Principal Tutor and Head of the Unit of Oral Health Science at the University Dental Hospital of Manchester, she is also a Past President of the BDHA and a current elected member of the GDC, where she represents the interests of PCDs on a number of committees and working parties.

*'I am delighted to take on the chairmanship of such a proactive group as the PCD Advisory Board. The FGDP(UK) has long recognised that the dentist*

*cannot function without the willing and highly capable support of a whole team of dental professionals, and so it has developed an approach to education and training that increasingly encompasses the whole of the dental team. Its latest initiative – to open membership to PCDs – is proving very popular, with some practices enrolling their entire team.'*

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