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FGDP(UK) launching two new products at Showcase

Members of the dental press are invited to attend a product launch on Thursday 4th October at 12 noon on stand G04 at the BDTA Dental Showcase. Two products are being launched by the Faculty of General Dental Practice (UK).

- Primary Dental Journal
- Key Skills in Primary Dental Care (3rd Edition)

**Primary Dental Journal**
The first product to be launched will be the Faculty’s new journal, the *Primary Dental Journal* (PDJ). The PDJ replaces the Faculty’s previous journals Primary Dental Care and Team in Practice.

The Primary Dental Journal is a themed professional development journal for the whole team. Each issue will feature evidence based research and best practice guidance around one important topic. The launch issue is concerned with Infection Prevention and features papers including: HTM 01-05, the CQC, whistleblowing, light curing sleeves, asepsis in implant dentistry and time management and infection control for hygienists.

In changing its flagship publication from an academic research journal to a themed professional development journal the FGDP(UK) hopes to make the PDJ’s strapline a reality: *Supporting the team, benefitting patients.*

Speaking in his introduction to the journal, Dean of the FGDP(UK) Trevor Ferguson said:

“I hope that you will find this first issue… not only interesting but also a useful source of day-to-day reference for the whole dental team.”

**Key Skills in Primary Dental Care (3rd Edition)**
The FGDP(UK) and Smile-on will be launching the 3rd edition of the Key Skills in Primary Dental Care package.

This is a re-write rather than an update of the 2nd edition. The package provides essential knowledge on core subject areas for the dental team. These are:
- Medical Emergencies
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Clinical Record-Keeping
- Radiography
- Legislation and Good Practice Guidelines
- Team Training
- Risk Management and Communication

Each module provides a summary of the topic, statistics related to that area of dentistry, video clips demonstrating real life scenarios and a variety of interactive quizzes to test knowledge.

Dean of the FGDP(UK) Trevor Ferguson and the team from Smile-on will be on hand to demonstrate the product at the launch.

Drinks and nibbles will be available at the launch.

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Notes to Editors

1. The Primary Dental Journal is free to members of the FGDP(UK). Non-members and institutions may subscribe.

2. The Faculty of General Dental Practice (UK) is based at the Royal College of Surgeons of England. We provide services to help those in general dental practice to raise standards of patient care. We do this through standards setting, providing education courses and assessments, CPD, policy development, research, and publications. Membership of the FGDP(UK) is open to dentists and other registered dental professionals.

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