GDC/British Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons: 30th September 2014

Attendees:

BAOMS:

Professor Vellupillai Ilankovan (President) Mr Patrick Magennis (Hon. Secretary) Mr Michael JC Davidson (Chairman)

GDC:

Evlynne Gilvarry (Chief Executive)
Tim Whitaker (Director of Policy and
Communications)
Jane Pierce (Head of Education Policy
and Quality Assurance)

Action points:

1. GDC to clarify its view on the circumstances where GDC Registration is required.

Update: The GDC will not require joint registration from an individual who is appropriately registered with the GMC and who works as an oral and maxillofacial surgeon, including the practise of dentistry insofar as this forms part of their role within an Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery hospital department.

A GMC registrant would need GDC registration in order to practise dentistry outside of the maxillofacial/hospital setting and also to supervise the clinical work of undergraduate/non registered dental students or Temporary Registrants.

2. GDC to provide an update relating to Fitness to Practise arrangements for dual Registrants

Update: We are in the process of agreeing an information sharing agreement with the GMC agreeing how such cases would be dealt with. Our proposal is that where either regulator receives a complaint about an individual who is dual registered, the Head of the Investigation at the GMC and the Head of Casework for the GDC will discuss their investigation plans with each other and decide on the best way to proceed. The intention is that decisions would be made on a case by case basis. The GMC have indicated that they are considering the draft agreement and anticipate being in a position to comment further within the next month.

Our contact at the GMC is Amirah Farag. Her email address is afarag@gmc-uk.org.

3. GDC to consider approach to CPD Recording for OMFS.

Update: The GDC's CPD Rules state that CPD is recorded in hours. This is in contrast to medical doctors who record their CME in points. We understand BAOMS members' concerns and the Chief Executive has indicated a commitment in principal to resolving this issue, we are currently exploring how best we can update our processes to recognise this difference and will update you as soon as possible. We understand that OMFS' annual medical revalidation summary provides the total number of hours.

4. Proof of registrable qualifications

Update: It would be helpful to discuss this matter further. We agree that our approach to providing this information should be consistent and we will consider the draft standard letter BAOMS has supplied further. We will provide more information about next steps as soon as possible.