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## DAY ONE – THURSDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER 2025

### 08:15 DELEGATE REGISTRATION

### 09:15 Welcome and opening address

#### Session 1: Managing Neurodiverse children

### 09:20 Oliver's story and the importance of reasonable adjustments

Paula McGowan OBE, Founder of The Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training, NHSE

**Session title to be confirmed (update on epidemiology, definitions, etc. around neurodiversity)**

10:10

Dr Richard Pender, Clinical Research Fellow, Department of Clinical, Educational and Health Psychology, University College London

### 10:50 Questions for the Speakers

### 11:00 REFRESHMENTS, POSTER & EXHIBITION VIEWING

#### Running a neurodiverse friendly service

11:30 Dr Sadie Hughes BDS MFDSRCPS MSc, Consultant in Special Care Dentistry / HSCDS Sedation Lead / SAAD President / STAC chair, Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust

#### Using Therapy animals to support treatment

11:55

Laura Walter, Spreadasmile

### 12:20 Questions for the Speakers

### 12:30 LUNCH, POSTER & EXHIBITION VIEWING

### 12:30 BSPD Annual General Meeting

### 12:30 Closed Poster Prize

### 13:30 Prize Presentations – Clinical Governance

### 14:30 Prize Presentations – Clinical Research



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## **15:30 REFRESHMENTS, POSTER & EXHIBITION VIEWING**

**15:45 Prize Presentations – Clinical Cases**

**16:45 Closing Remarks**

## **17:00 CLOSE OF CONFERENCE DAY 1**

**19:30 Gala Dinner - De Vere Grand Connaught Rooms**

## **DAY TWO – FRIDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2025**

## **08:00 DELEGATE REGISTRATION, REFRESHMENTS, POSTER & EXHIBITION VIEWING**

**08:20 CONNECT Meeting**

**09:15 Welcome and opening address**

### **Session 2: Dental anomalies and genetics: what might the future hold**

**09:20 Preimplantation Genetic testing - Referral to pregnancy**  
Eshika Hague, Consultant Genetic Counsellor and Clinical Science Specialist

**10:05 The Genetics of Dental Anomalies**  
Dr Alan Mighell

**10:50 Questions for the Speakes**

## **11:00 REFRESHMENTS, POSTER & EXHIBITION VIEWING**

**11:30 Poster Presentations**

## **12:30 LUNCH, POSTER & EXHIBITION VIEWING**

**12:30 COMPANY SYMPOSIUM**



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### **Session 3: The importance of appearance**

#### **Psychological interventions to manage appearance related stress**

**13:30** Dr Maia Thornton, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for Appearance Research, University of the West of England

#### **Teeth and appearance, patient and parent perspective**

**14:10** Ms Cheryl Somani, Consultant in Paediatric Dentistry, University College London NHS Foundation Trust

#### **How the appearance of teeth can be affected in children**

**14:30** Prof Susan Parekh, Professor/Honorary Consultant in Paediatric Dentistry, University College London

### **14:50 REFRESHMENTS, POSTER & EXHIBITION VIEWING**

#### **Restorative techniques to improve appearance in children**

**15:20** Mr Ashok Vijayakumar, Consultant in Restorative Dentistry King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

#### **15:50 Questions for the Speakes**

#### **The environmental impact of nitrous oxide in paediatric dentistry: national results**

**16:00** Ms Lexy Lyne, Consultant in Paediatric Dentistry, UCL / UCLH Eastman

#### **16:15 BSPD Outstanding Innovation Award**

#### **16:30 Closing Remarks**

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