

Dear Members

I hope you are all keeping well, both physically and spiritually. Without needing to say any more, this year has put many great challenges upon everyone. I hope that in some small way our SE Branch programme for the coming year can not only continue to educate, but also to support us to strive for continued improvement in ourselves, and also in the way in which we care for our patients holistically.

This year all our meetings will take place in an online webinar format, **there will be no face to face public meetings**. We will not host an annual study half day this year and our junior members papers event is brought forward in the calendar, separating it from its usual joint slot with the AGM in May.

The programme begins with **Mr Hani Dajani** on **Wednesday 21st October 2020**. Hani is an oral surgeon who works as a senior dental officer in community dental care. He will provide a professional and personal perspective on how COVID-19 changed dentistry. I'm sure this will be a very insightful presentation highlighting how important it is that we all pull together in times of hardship to continue to provide the best care we can for our paediatric dental population.

On **Wednesday 25th November 2020**, **Dr Julia Kenny** and her team from the department of Paediatric Infectious Diseases and Immunology at the Evelina Children's Hospital will talk to us about their experiences of identifying, managing and the after effects of COVID-19 in children and the hyper-inflammatory response. This condition was recognized early on in the pandemic and the Evelina Children's Hospital cared for a significant proportion of children in the UK with this condition. I know they will produce a very interesting talk for us, which could prove useful for future care of our patients.

Last year the looming COVID19 pandemic thwarted our plans for a return to the traditional format of receiving the BSPD National President, Dr Sarah McKaig, in order to deliver her presidential address. She has remained as BSPD president for the coming year and so on **Wednesday 27th January 2021 (TBC)** she gets the opportunity again to speak to us.

We will host our junior members papers evening slightly earlier in the year this time round.

Wednesday 10th March 2021 will see it's return and we will continue to run two prize categories – one for the DCT/Clinical Fellow/Undergraduate level and one for the StR (pre-CCST) level. Please encourage your junior staff/colleagues to consider submitting any audits, interesting clinical cases or research that they may be working on for the members' papers evening.

The final meeting of the year, **Wednesday 12th May 2021**, will this year combine the **AGM** when Ghaida Al-Jaddir will take over the chair of the branch, with our final educational presentation where Vanessa Jones and Nisha Patel, two clinical psychologists will tackle the important issue of mental health, for both patients and clinicians, in relation to the COVID19 pandemic.

All evening meetings will be held online – links will be sent out prior to the meeting by the BSPD administrator to the SE Branch mailing list.

New members are always welcome so please encourage your colleagues to join us.

David Baldwin

Chair BSPD South East Branch

October 2020

SE Branch Meetings 2020-21

Wednesday 21st October

Mr Hani Djani

*A professional and personal perspective on how
COVID-19 changed dentistry*

Wednesday 25th November

Dr Julia Kenny

*COVID-19 in children and the hyper-inflammatory
response*

Wednesday 27th January

Dr Sarah McKaig

BSPD Presidential Address

Wednesday 10th March

Junior Members Papers Evening

Wednesday 12th May

Annual General Meeting

Vanessa Jones and Nisha Patel

Mental Health & COVID19

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