Directorate of Healthcare Quality & Strategy

Chief Dental Officer & Dentistry Division



Dear Colleague

EXTENDING ACCESS TO EMERGENCY CARE SUMMARY (ECS) BY DENTISTS

The purpose of this letter is to advise NHS Health Boards of the extension of access to the Emergency Care Summary to dentists.

The ECS Service Board has agreed that dentists working in out of hours NHS dental services and those working within the Public Dental Services should have access to the ECS. This access should improve the quality of medical information about patients attending the services and thus improve the quality and safety of dental treatment being provided.

Clinical dental leads should now liaise with local NHS Board eHealth staff to implement access to the ECS system.

Yours sincerely

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