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Looking for CPD?



Have you seen our newly-launched <u>CPD website</u>? Along with information about the new CPD scheme from Autumn 2018, here you can freely access practical learning resources to count towards your CPD now.

We welcome any feedback on the website that will assist us in shaping this into a really useful resource for osteopaths.

Read more about the aims of this new resource in the Feb/March issue of <u>the osteopath</u>. Other topics include advice on using social media, complying with equality legislation, guidance and research on the management of back pain and vertigo, along with details of a new specialist interest group for osteopaths working in the performing arts.





New appointments to Council

We are pleased to announce the appointment of two new osteopath members to the GOsC Council - Elizabeth Elander and Simeon London.

Both Elizabeth and Simeon have strong backgrounds in osteopathic practice and education; Elizabeth through her work at the College of Osteopaths and Simeon at the British School of Osteopathy.

They will join Council on 1 April and will be attending their first Council meeting on 2 May.

Taking the lead

Looking for inspiration, a change in career or a chance to learn new skills? Applications are open for the Osteopathic Leadership

Programme. Run jointly by the Osteopathic Development Group and the Open University, the programme is for osteopaths who want to apply leadership skills in clinical practice, a professional group, education or research.

More information along with the difference the course has made to previous participants can be found in the current issue of *the* osteopath (pages 8-9). Application deadline: **30 April**.

Do you want to learn to be a mentor?

Are you thinking of hiring a recent graduate in 2017, or do you have a new job lined up as an associate in 2017? If so, the <u>Osteopathic Development Group</u> (ODG) would like to hear from you.

The ODG is planning a pilot mentoring scheme this year for recent graduates, and is looking for Principals who would like to learn and practice new skills as a mentor for their associate.

If you are interested in taking part, please email <u>Matthew Rogers</u> of the Osteopathic Development Group or <u>Tim Walker</u>.

Dealing with complaints

There's still time to tell us what you think of our <u>new guidance to support osteopaths</u> under investigation.

We hope this information will demystify the process, and give osteopaths greater confidence that we manage and consider fairly every concern we receive. We welcome your feedback. Deadline: **10 March**.



Is your CPD due?

If you renew your registration in **May**, you must submit your CPD annual summary form to us by **31 March**.

It's quick and easy to do this online via the My CPD section of the o zone.

To check when your CPD is due, see page 12 of the CPD guidelines.

Committee meetings

Our Policy Advisory Committee will next meet on **9 March**. Topics for discussion will include an update on the review of the *Osteopathic Practice Standards* and the implementation of the new CPD scheme.

Osteopaths are very welcome to attend both Council and Committee meetings. Please email Marcia Scott, Council and Executive Support Officer, or call 020 7357 6655 x246 for more information.





