

Declaration of Interest Form for GDC Council Members and Independent Governance Associates

Title: (Dr, Mr, Mrs, Ms, Prof): Dr

Full name: Urshla Devalia OBE

Assigned role with the GDC: Council Member (registrant) appointed by the Privy Council for the term 1 October 2026 to 30 September 2030

Declaration:

I understand and take responsibility for acting in accordance with the [seven principles of public life](#) (the Nolan Principles). I understand that I must not receive any financial or non-financial benefit that is not explicitly authorised in my appointment letter and should not exert any influence to acquire any preferential treatment for myself or other connected persons.

Areas of interest	Details relating to you and/or a connected person (as set out in the GDC's Managing Interests Policy)
Please provide details of all paid employment: • Non-Executive positions • Full/Part-time employment • Consultancies • Self-employed • Directorships Why? Decisions need to be taken in an open and transparent manner, therefore, Council Members and IGAs are required to declare positions so that any actual, potential and/or perceived conflicts of interest can be managed.	Substantive clinical employment • Consultant in Paediatric Dentistry, University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (Royal National ENT and Eastman Dental Hospitals). • Consultant in Paediatric Dentistry sessions for Community Dental Services CIC, delivered under a service level agreement with the Eastman Dental Hospital, UCLH. These sessions are separate from my Eastman Dental Hospital sessions and form part of a five-week rolling job plan. • Four hours per month contracted to Hertfordshire Community Dental Service. Directorships (as recorded at Companies House) • Director, Meadows Nursing Home Limited (company number 04547024), appointed 5 April 2020, company active. • Director, Fairfield Nursing Home Limited (company number 04546985), appointed 5 April 2020, company active. • Director, Caeffair Limited (company number 02968904), appointed 5 April 2020, company active. These are private residential and nursing care companies registered in Wales. They provide no dental services, hold no contract or prospective contract with the GDC, and have no connection to dental regulation, education or training. My fellow directors are business partners within the meaning of the Managing Interests Policy; none of them is a dental professional or has any GDC role. Consultancy, self-employed and other paid work • Occasional paid editorial and clinical review work • Occasional paid clinical sessions to support community dental services in the East of England • Paid lecturing, teaching and continuing professional development delivery, and speaker fees or honoraria, where these arise. • Managed Clinical Network Chair for Paediatric Dentistry, East of England

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Please give details of all unpaid work, for example: • Roles in organisations associated with healthcare • Public service offices • Roles held in local or national organisations • Trusteeships Why? Decisions need to be taken in an open and transparent manner, therefore, Council Members and IGAs are required to declare positions so that any actual, potential and/or perceived conflicts of interest can be managed.	Office held at a professional body • President, British Society of Paediatric Dentistry (BSPD), 2025 to 2026, and trustee and member of the BSPD Executive Committee. This is a board and strategic office at a professional body. It is addressed further under "Any other conflicts" below. My presidential year ends at the September 2026 AGM, after which I expect to serve as Immediate Past President and to remain a trustee. Other professional and healthcare organisations • Member, International Association of Paediatric Dentistry (IAPD). • Contributor to SMILE, paediatric oncology survivorship work. Academic, authorship and editorial • Honorary Clinical Teaching Fellow, UCL • Peer reviewer for academic journals and publishers, including Springer Nature. • Co-author, joint Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health and BSPD toolkit, "Making Every Contact Count for Children's Oral Health" (2026). • Co-author of NHS England clinical standards for children's oral health and dental care, including PRN02162 (published 22 June 2026), and of the children and young people cancer oral health pathway. Public service and national contribution • BSPD representation at the All Party Parliamentary Group on a Fit and Healthy Childhood. • National Lead for Mini Mouth Care Matters • Chair of the National Paediatric Managed Clinical Network Forum, England

Please list all businesses you are involved in which have a direct contract with the GDC or are a potential contractor with the GDC. Why? Decisions need to be taken in an open and transparent manner, therefore, Council Members and IGAs are required to declare positions so that any actual, potential and/or perceived conflicts of interest can be managed.	None.
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Do you have close personal ties with the GDC's Council Members, IGAs, Associates, advisers, directors or employees? Why? Council members and IGAs who have close ties with the GDC's advisors, directors or employees may be perceived as having an undue influence on decisions. These close personal ties must be declared so that any actual, potential or perceived conflict of interest can be managed in an open and transparent manner.	I have no family relationship or close personal relationship with any GDC Council Member, Independent Governance Associate, adviser, director or employee.

FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS ONLY: All membership bodies and associations including political parties, pressure groups and professional bodies of which you are a member or are associated. Why? Council Members are free to engage in political activities or to maintain associations with professional organisations. Council members are required to declare such positions to give assurance that these do not conflict with the Council's statutory functions.	Professional bodies and associations • British Society of Paediatric Dentistry (BSPD), member, trustee and President 2025 to 2026. • International Association of Paediatric Dentistry (IAPD), member. • Registrant of the General Dental Council. • British Dental Association • Royal College of Surgeons and Faculty of Dental Surgery membership & fellowship • DDU membership • RCPCH associate member • British Academy of Childhood Disability associate member • Fellow of the Institute of Leadership and Management • Member of the Chartered Managers Institute Political parties and pressure groups • None. I am not a member of, and hold no association with, any political party or pressure group.
Any other conflicts not covered by the above?	None

Council Members:

- I have read the Managing Interests Policy and confirm that the information provided below is complete and accurate. I acknowledge any changes in these declarations must be notified to the GDC as soon as practicable.
- I will update my form every 6 months and more frequently if any significant changes occur.
- I will, as soon as practicable but not more than five working days after, alert the Head of Governance/Executive Director, Legal and Governance or relevant Director if I meet the criteria for disqualification as set out in the GDC (Constitution) Order 2009 or the GDC (Constitution of Committees) Order 2009.

Independent Governance Associates (including independent Members of non-statutory Committees (ARC, FPC, RemNom) and Members of the Appointments Committee - SPC):

- I will update my register every 12 months and more frequently if any significant changes occur.
- I will, as soon as practicable but not more than five working days after, alert the Head of Governance/Executive Director, Legal and Governance or relevant Director if I meet the criteria for disqualification as set out in the GDC (Constitution) Order 2009 or the GDC (Constitution of Committees) Order 2009.

Signed: U Devalia

Date: 15 September 2026

Reviewed by:



Date: 16 September 2026

Data Protection

- The information provided will be processed in accordance with data protection principles as set out in the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018. The basis on which the GDC processes personal data in connection with employment is that the processing is necessary for the exercise of the GDC's statutory functions.
- Information about how the GDC will use and share the information you give us, the various rights you have in connection with any personal data about you that is held by the GDC, and how long we will keep your information for can be found in the privacy notice on our website at www.gdc-uk.org/privacy.