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## GDC to meet registrants in Northern Ireland

The General Dental Council (GDC), which regulates all dental professionals in the UK, is to begin a series of events by speaking directly to its registrants in Northern Ireland.

Throughout 2011 the GDC will be running events across the UK, giving registrants the opportunity to see and hear first hand how the GDC is progressing, to give feedback on how it can improve and to take part in workshops.

On 12 January 2011 dental professionals in Northern Ireland will have the opportunity to meet GDC staff face to face, learn more about how its work affects them, tell them what they think of the GDC's Standards guidance, give their views on revalidation and get the answers to questions they want to ask.

The event, which is free of charge and can be counted as CPD, is being held at the Hilton Templepatrick Hotel and Country Club in Belfast between 6pm and 9pm. Any dental professionals interested in attending can book online at [www.gdc-uk.org](http://www.gdc-uk.org). It should be noted that places are limited, so early booking is advised.

Chief Dental Officer for Northern Ireland and affiliate member of the GDC, Donncha O'Carolan said:

"This is a great opportunity for registrants in Northern Ireland to speak directly to their professional regulator. They will be able to meet staff from the GDC who are involved in the various areas of dental regulation.

The GDC is keen to meet registrants and get their views on the Standards that directly affect their working lives. A review of the current guidance document '*Standards for dental professionals*' is taking place in 2011 and I would encourage anyone working in dentistry to have their say on this important area whilst they have the chance."

### Ends

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