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Written answers

Sir Paul Breesford, dentist and Conservative MP asked whether there had been discussions he has had with the General Dental Council on whether dental bleaching might be carried out by qualified hygienists or qualified dental auxiliaries after training by a dentist either in a surgery or at a patient’s home using surgery supplied equipment.

Replying, minister Ann Keen said that dentistry was self-regulating and the GDC was independent of the Government. She understood that the GDC was currently reviewing the scope of practice of dentists and dental care professionals and expected to make or plan policy changes.

Sir Paul also asked what changes to the system of dental contracts the NHS Dental Contract Implementation Group had introduced in the last 12 months, and what changes they plan to introduce in the next 12 months. Ann Keen, however, told him that the group’s function was to monitor and provide feedback to the Department on the implementation of the reforms. It was for the Department rather than the group to make or plan policy changes.