

# Progress report on Dental Action Plan

## Aim

The aim of this paper is to provide the Board with information on progress with implementation of the Dental Action Plan, details of which are in the document '*An Action plan for improving oral health and modernising NHS dental services in Scotland*'.

## Background

The Action Plan was published in March 2005 and has three sections

- **Improving oral health.** (Appendix 1) This includes targets relating to
  - the oral health status of children at 5 years and 11 years;
  - the proportion of adults with some natural teeth ;
  - trends in oral cancer survival rates.
  
- **Workforce and workforce developments.** (Appendix 2) This section concentrates on
  - increasing capacity locally to improve access to dental services
  - the development of dental care professionals who have a complementary role to that of dental surgeons.
  
- **Modernising dental services.** (Appendix 3) This section deals with
  - the implementation of a new remuneration system for dental practices,
  - patients, standards and quality

## Recommendation

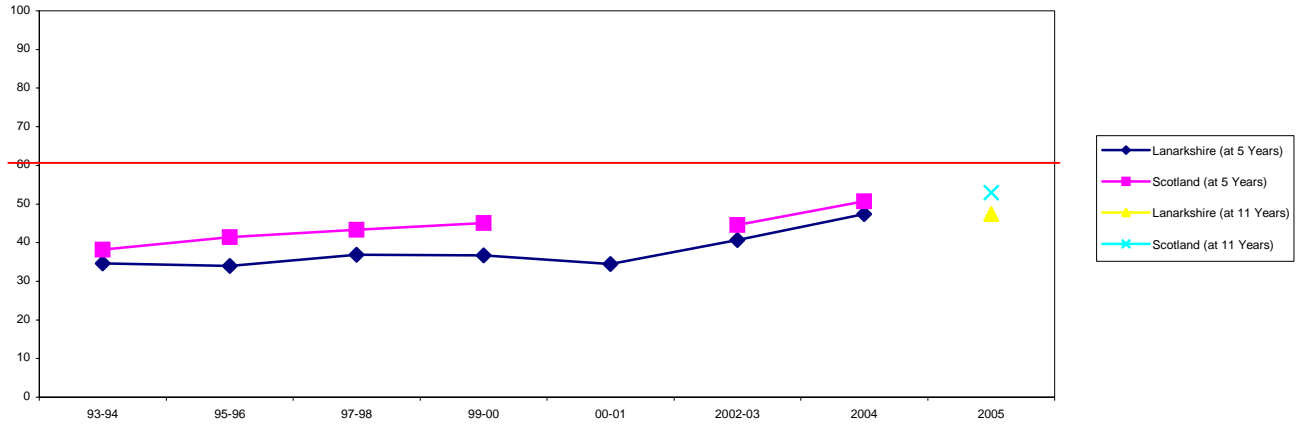
The Board is asked to note the progress with the local implementation of the Action Plan

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## Improving Oral Health

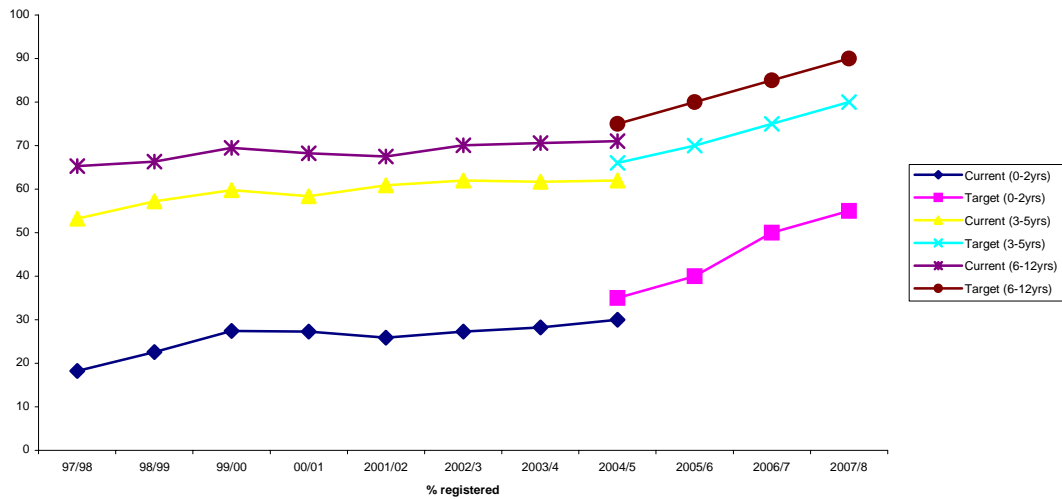
INTERVENTION		LANARKSHIRE
1	60% of 5 year olds free from dental disease (Figure 1)	47%
2	60% of 11 year olds free from dental disease (Figure 1)	47%
3	90% adults have some natural teeth	82%
1	Every child (parent) in the first year of life to receive oral health pack.	3,296 children (65%)
2	Oral health packs - targeted infants aged 1-3 (opportunistic).	1,995
3	Children at nursery to receive oral health packs (2 packs age 3yrs & 2 packs at age 4yrs).	19,711 packs distributed (73%)
4	Children starting school to receive oral health packs.	6,509 packs distributed (99%)
5	Daily nursery toothbrushing in all nursery years.	210 of 221 nurseries. (95%) 14,000 children involved
6	Daily toothbrushing in targeted primary schools with most disease (most deprived quintile in each Board in 2005/06).	7 schools (375 children) currently on pilot programme).  100 schools signed up to begin Programme in new school year (approx 5000 children)
7	National Dental Inspection Programme fully implemented to national standards with inspection of all P1s and P7s.	Fully implemented
8	Links to health promoting programme.	Links established and senior health promotion officer appointed
9	Increase registration rates by 2010 (Figure 2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 0-2 year olds to 55%</li> <li>▪ 3-5 year olds to 80%</li> <li>▪ 6-12 year olds 90%</li> </ul>	30% 62% 71%
10	Increase Registration rates for adults by 2010 (Figure 3) particularly in the older age groups (Figure 4) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 65-74 year olds to 60%</li> <li>▪ 75 + to 40%</li> </ul>	38 27.5

**Figure 1: Percentage of children with no obvious decay experience at 5 years and 11 years In Lanarkshire**



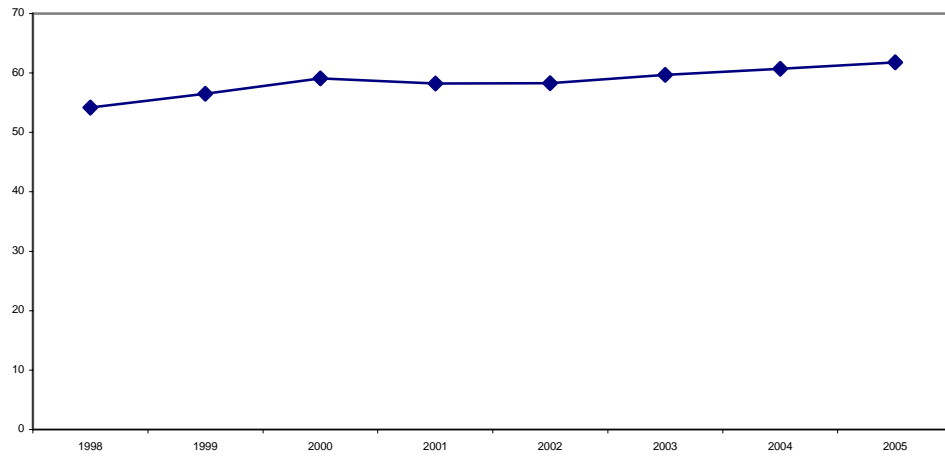
Source: SHBDEP/NDIP

**Figure 2: Actual and target registration by age group in Lanarkshire**



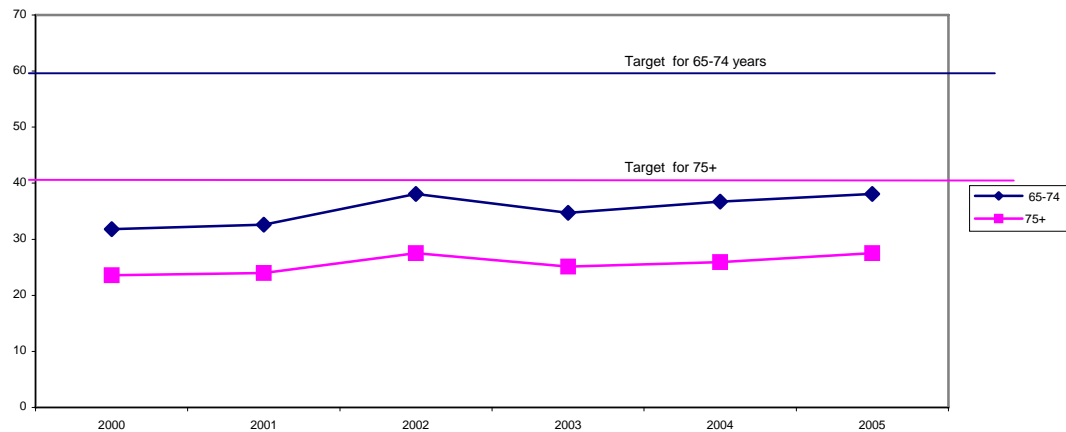
Source: SDPB annual reports

**Figure 3 Trend in Adult registration in Lanarkshire by Year**



Source: SDPB annual reports

**Figure 4 Target and actual dental registration in older people in Lanarkshire**

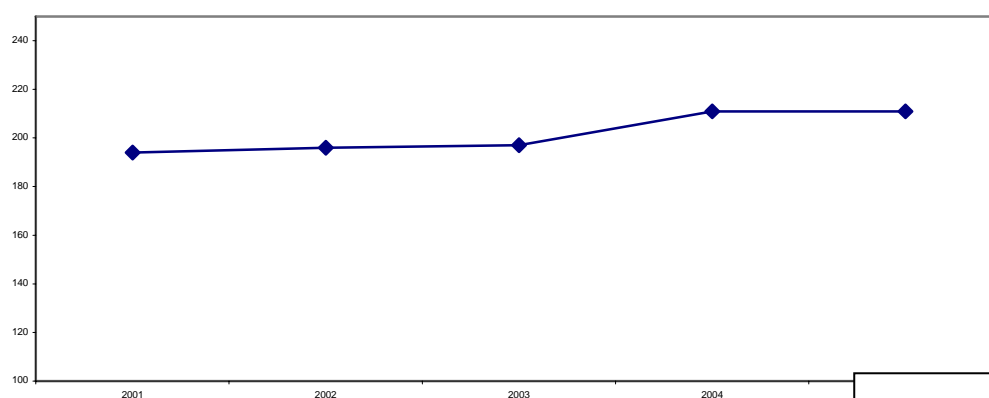


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## Workforce and workforce developments

TARGETS		LANARKSHIRE
11	20% practices involved with vocational training/foundation courses	14%
12	100% practices conforming to inspection criteria (inspected in last 3 years)	100%
13	Improve dentist: population ratio (Figure 4)	1: 2654  15 Dental Access Initiative practices currently  Capital bid successful to increase dental provision in Greenhills Health centre
14	All NHS practices quality awarded by 2010	Criteria awaited
15	Expand dental nurse training	Negotiations ongoing with Coatbridge College
16	Develop role of team members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ nurses to health promotion</li> </ul>	21 practices have joined the <i>Chidsmile</i> Programme and their nurses trained in the delivery of health promotion.
17	Develop outreach training	Capital bid successful for outreach centre in Coatbridge

**Figure 4 number of General dental practitioners in Lanarkshire by year**



Appendix 3

Source: SDP

## Modernising dental services

TARGETS		LANARKSHIRE
18	Improve access to emergency care	Out of hours service started March 06
19	Introduce rent reimbursement scheme	Initial payments made
20	Connect practices to NHS net	40 practices recruited to the pilot scheme in Scotland – 7 in Lanarkshire
21	Introduce new commitment payments to practitioners	Implemented