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STAIRWAY TO SUCCESS

Denplan is proud to announce that the Denplan Stairway Programme has received official recognition from the University of Birmingham and now equates to twenty educational credits toward an MSc in Primary Dental Care.

The Denplan Stairway Programme is a structured development programme resulting in the Denplan Stairway Award and is designed to be relevant to any dentist in general practice. It includes a series of units and aims to encompass the continuum of professional education in a relevant and practical format.

Each unit comprising a study day and practice project on clinical and practice management aspects of running a practice can earn an individual up to 20 hours of CPD, or two educational credits – which can then be used towards the attainment of external awards such as the MSc in Primary Dental Care at Birmingham University. This makes the Programme not only useful for training and development, but also a unique opportunity to gain a substantial qualification recognised by peers as well as patients.

The first Denplan Stairway clinical course this year was held on March 18 at the Aztec Hotel in Bristol. The day, entitled 'Implanting Ideas' was led by Dr Jerry Watson - a GDP with a special interest in Implant Dentistry. Jerry's experience with implants now runs to nearly 20 years, and the day was designed to be an introduction to the contemporary scope of implant dentistry in general practice. The feedback from delegates indicated that everyone attending had enjoyed a day which exceeded their expectations.

Father and daughter dental team at Berry Lane Dental Surgery, Longridge, are the first two dentists in the country to complete the Denplan Stairway Award. Nick Richardson commented: "Training and development are crucial in our business and we take it really seriously here at Berry Lane. To find out that the Denplan Stairway Programme could not only assist us in our training and development, but also help us convert that training into further

qualifications was an opportunity too good to miss. To be the first practice in the country to complete the programme is just the cherry on the cake!”

You can view the full list of clinical courses available in the Denplan Stairway Programme at www.denplan.co.uk/dentists/training, or for more information, please call the Denplan Training Team on 0800 587 5533 or email: training@denplan.co.uk.



Nick and Fiona Richardson with Denplan Key Client Consultant, Dawn Pringle (Far Right)

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