

NATIONAL OPTOMETRIC CONFERENCE

4-5 November 2010

Park Inn Hotel, Heathrow Airport

PROGRAMME

Thursday 4 November

NATIONAL OPTOMETRIC CONFERENCE [Discovery room]

- 09.00 The Economic and Political Background to Eye Health Care
(followed by questions)
[Andrew Haldenby, Reform](#)
- 09.45 Optometry and Optics under the Coalition Government: Opportunities
and Threats
(followed by questions)
[Bob Hughes, David Hewlett, Tony Garrett](#)
- 10.30 COFFEE [**Pre-function area**]
- 11.00 LOCSU and Its Activities in 2009-10 and 2010-11
- Report from the Chairman: [Alan Tinger, Richard Carswell](#)
 - PCTs Using LOCSU's Pathways: [Katrina Venerus](#)
 - Training and Development for LOCs: [Gill Brabner](#)
 - What LOCs Want from LOCSU: [Alan Tinger, Richard Carswell](#)
 - Questions and Answers [Alan Tinger, Richard Carswell, Katrina Venerus, Trevor Warburton, Gill Brabner](#)
- 12.30 LUNCH [**Pre-function area**]
- 14.00 Forum Theatre: 'What's the Point of a LOC?'
[Gill Brabner and guests](#)
- 14.45 Post-Graduate Education: What, How, When, Where?
(followed by questions)
[Barbara Ryan, Cardiff University](#)

- 15.30 Parallel Sessions
- A Demonstration of LOCSU's Reporting System for Repeat IOPs
[Trevor Warburton](#) [**Endeavour room**]
 - Compliance or Defiance? A Demonstration of the New Quality in Optometry System [Kevin Thompson](#) [**Discovery room**]
 - Dealing with Patients with Learning Difficulties
[Gordon Ilett](#) [**Atlantis 1 room**]
 - The LOCSU Pathway on Low Vision
[Bruce Gilson](#) [**Atlantis 2 room**]
- 16.30 TEA [**Pre-function area**]
- 16.45 Focus Group on LOC Development: Part One
[For LOC officers](#)
- 17.30 CLOSE
- 19.00 RECEPTION and DINNER [**Discovery room**]
Guest of Honour
[Nick Bosanquet, Professor of Health Policy at Imperial College](#)

Friday 5 November

- 08.30 Parallel sessions repeated
- 09.30 Annual General Meeting of Central (LOC) Fund
- 10.00 Grappling with Information Technology and the NHS
[Lyndon Taylor, V Chairman, Optical Confederation IT Committee](#)
- 10.30 Sensitising Commissioners to Local Enhanced Services
[Judy Oliver, Oliver and Company](#)
- 11.30 COFFEE
- 12.00 Economic Scenarios and Health Care
[Roger Martin-Fagg, independent economist](#)
- 12.30 Providing the Full Range of Local Enhanced Eye Care Services
[Karen O'Brien, Associate Director Primary Care Commissioning, Manchester PCT](#)
- 13.00 CLOSE and LUNCH
- 14.00 Focus Group on LOC Development
[For LOC officers](#)
- 14.30 Meeting of LOC Associates