

Faculty Policy

The British Society of Periodontology and Implant Dentistry (BSP) Faculty is a “virtual” faculty with invited membership only. Membership will be a marker of esteem within the UK periodontal community.

Aim of Faculty: To provide an expert group of educators who are formally recognised as capable of delivering high quality, evidence-based educational lectures and seminars in periodontology and implant dentistry.

Objectives of Faculty:

1. To provide a register of recognised speakers for the BSP to underpin the delivery of our educational plan across the UK, and where relevant, internationally. A record of each speaker’s biography, photograph and area of interests will be recorded.
2. To facilitate peer discussion (online via a web-based forum) and sharing of good practice in the delivery of continuing professional development (CPD) for the BSP.
3. To facilitate informal mentoring of new Faculty members by more senior BSP Faculty educators/teachers in the delivery of CPD.
4. To create critical mass of BSP recognised educators to disseminate the BSPs core messages.
5. To facilitate the identification of new young speakers for future EuroPerio meetings as well as BSP national meetings.

Modus Operandi

- BSP members will be invited to become Faculty members by the President of the BSP, upon recommendation by Council and/or the Education Committee.
- Eligibility will require members to have delivered a BSP presentation at a national or regional meeting, or webinar and have received positive feedback from delegates as an indication of their knowledge and expertise. This should be over a minimum period of 5 years.
- “BSP Faculty Nominations” will appear as a standing item on the Council agenda for both nominations and their approval. Nominations should be made by a BSP Faculty member to the President of the BSP, along with support from 2 other BSP Faculty.

The nomination can be verbal through Council or take the form of a short paragraph submitted to the Secretary of the BSP Council detailing the history of the nominee and their suitability for the award of Faculty status.

- Once agreed, the President will send a letter of invitation to the candidate.
- The candidate will receive a Faculty membership certificate.

- The candidate will receive a lapel pin, with the inscription "BSP Faculty".
- The candidate will be invited to provide a short biography for inclusion on the Faculty page of the BSP website.
- Faculty membership will be a marker of esteem, especially for the CV's of younger BSP members, since it will recognise the achievement of high standards in periodontal education.

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