GENERAL DENTAL COUNCIL

AND

PAREKH, Ashwin

[Registration number: 191443]

NOTICE OF INQUIRY

SUBSTANTIVE HEARING

Notice that an inquiry will be conducted by a Practice Committee of the General Dental Council, commencing at **10:00am** on **23 November 2026.**

Please note that this hearing will be conducted remotely by video conference.

The heads of charge contained within this sheet are current at the date of publication. They are subject to amendments at any time before or during the hearing. For the final charge, findings of fact and determination against the registrant, please visit the Recent Decisions page at https://www.dentalhearings.org/hearings-and-decisions/decisions after this hearing has finished.

Committee members:	Martin Isherwood	DCP	Chair
	Robin Barber	Dentist	
	Chantelle Findlow	Lay	
Legal Adviser:	Rosemary Rollason		

CHARGE

PAREKH**,** Ashwin, a dentist, BDS University of Liverpool 2010 is summoned to appear before the Professional Conduct Committee on 23 November 2026 for an inquiry into the following charge:

The hearing will be held to consider the following charge against you:

"That being registered as a dentist:

1. On the evening of 8 December 2023 during the staff Christmas celebrations for Practice A:
    (a) Made a comment to Colleague A and Colleague B to the effect of '*I know you two are thinking about my dick tonight*';
    (b) Unzipped your trouser fly and stuck your middle finger through it in the presence of Colleague A and Colleague B;
    (c) Said to Colleague A '*you want my lipstick*' or words to that effect, having acted as set out in (b) above;
    (d) Said that the '*rule of the night being it is okay to pinch bums*' or words to that effect;
    (e) Said '*everyone loves a bum pinch/squeeze don't they*' or words to that effect;
    (f) Squeezed and/or pinched without consent the bottoms of:
        (i) Colleague C;
        (ii) Colleague D;
        (iii) Colleague E;
    (g) Touched Colleague C between her legs;
    (h) Commented on a photograph you had taken of Colleague E '*that one is for the wank bank later*' or words to that effect;
    (i) Told Colleague C to '*get your kit off*' or words to that effect when she removed her jacket;
    (j) Asked Colleague C about her masturbation;
    (k) Asked to see Colleague C's nipple piercings;
    (l) Asked Colleague E, '*what are you wearing underneath*' or words to that effect.
2. Your actions in relation to allegations 1(a)-(l) above;
    (a) were sexually motivated and/or;
    (b) amount to sexual harassment.

AND by reason of the above your fitness to practise is impaired by reason of misconduct."