

Direct Access Patient Information Leaflet

You can now book appointments with our Dental Therapist whenever you want to. You do not need to see the Dentist first. Our receptionists will be happy to explain how this works and make an appointment for you.

The Therapist cannot provide the same comprehensive examination as your dentist, so you should continue to see your dentist as usual. Your dentist will let you know how frequently you need to have a full examination.

Our Team

Dentists

Dentists train for five years in all aspects of theoretical and practical dentistry and often undertake additional qualifications after their professional registration. They are clinical professionals who understand and take responsibility for the overall oral health of the patients of their practice. The following dentists work at our practice:

Dr Laurie Carlson-Hedges
BDS MFDS RCS DipRestDent RCS DPDS MScRestDent RCS FFGDP
GDC Registration 76220

Dr Joe Vere
BDS MFDS RCS MMedSci (Implants) M Pros RCS FDS RCS (Rest Dent)
GDC Registration 76043

Dr Sam Elwick
BDS (Hons) BDS PgDip (Endo)
GDC Registration 245188

Dr Ryan Jeyakumar
BDS BSC
GDC Registration 80728

Dental Hygienists

Dental hygienists train for two to three years in dental schools alongside dentists, or in schools of dental hygiene. They are trained to carry out clinical examinations, assessing the health of gums, provide preventive oral care and liaise with dentists over the treatment of decay and gum disease, undertake scaling, provide topical fluoride treatments and carry out oral cancer screening. The following hygienists work at our practice:

Michelle Jones RDH RDT
GDC Registration 167456

Dental Therapists

Dental Therapists usually train for three years alongside dentists in dental schools. They can provide the same treatments as dental hygienists as well as fillings and some extractions. The following therapists work at our practice:

Michelle Jones RDH RDT
GDC Registration 167456

Dental Nurses

Dental nurses train for 12 to 24 months and provide support to dentists, hygienists, therapists and patients. They prepare and maintain the clinical environment, carry out infection prevention and control procedures, prepare and mix dental materials, process dental X-rays and provide chairside support to dentists, hygienists and therapists. The following nurses work at our practice:

Rebecca Mellors	GDC Registration 123171
Michelle Clarke	GDC Registration 119205
Paula Reed	GDC Registration 127299
Mandy Clifton	GDC Registration 137400
Casey Shaw	GDC Registration 273034
Tracy Morrison	GDC Registration 186127

Further information about what each member of the team is trained to do is available in the General Dental Council's publication Scope of practice (visit www.gdc-uk.org).

Therapist Price List

Therapist New Patient Examination £190.00/ Therapist examination £65.00

- To include checking of TMJs, soft tissue check, oral cancer check, check of hard tissues for tooth surface loss, caries check, check of restorations, periodontal check and oral hygiene assessment, referral to dentist as required.
- Does not include prescribing of radiographs, treatment planning of complex restorative work.

Periodontal Therapy

Hygiene Appointment 15 minutes	£80.00
Hygiene Appointment 20 minutes	£95.00
Hygiene Appointment 30 minutes	£135.00
Hygiene Appointment 40 minutes	£190.00
Hygiene Appointment 60 minutes	£270.00
Periodontal Case Assessment	£135.00
Full Mouth Disinfection per hour (including laser disinfection)	£280.00
Laser disinfection	£190.00

Simple Restorative

Composite (white) fillings from	£190.00
Glass Ionomer Fillings from	£95.00
Air Abrasion	£180.00
Fissure Sealant	£35.00

These fees are only intended as a guide and we will be able to give you a personalised quote and full treatment plan with various options if you attend for a New Patient Examination.