



Specialist Level Dental Treatment

This leaflet is a guide as to what constitutes specialist level treatment. These things are **not** currently covered under your standard Denplan care package. A full discussion will be had with your dentist if these situations arise.

Endodontics

- 1/ ReRoot treatment- This is where a tooth has previously been root treated but this has subsequently failed.
- 2/ Teeth where the root canal space inside the root is sclerosed (i.e blocked)
- 3/ The roots have a greater degree of curvature making cleaning them difficult/impossible with standard cleaning instruments
- 4/ Surgical Endodontics such as apicectomies

Periodontics

- 1/ Patients with BPE scores of 4 in one or more quadrants (often we would still carry out the initial phases of treatment in house under your Denplan and review the response)
- 2/ Patients developing gum disease below the age of 35. This puts patients at very high risk as these are usually the aggressive forms of the disease.
- 3/ The gum disease is in conjunction with medical conditions that complicate treatment
- 4/ Gum disease that has failed to respond to conventional treatment
- 5/ Any therapeutic or cosmetic gum surgery

Oral surgery

- 1/ Impacted wisdom teeth
- 2/ Buried roots
- 3/ Roots with curvatures that will make the tooth difficult to extract conventionally
- 4/ Biopsies
- 5/ Apicectomies

Restorative Dentistry

- 1/ Treatment requiring alteration of your bite
- 2/ Treatment of significantly worn tooth height where multiple teeth are involved
- 3/ Implants
- 4/ Hard acrylic splints to correct temporomandibular joint dysfunction(eg Michigan Splint).
- 5/ Treatment solely for cosmetic treatment

All these cases fall outside the realms of general practice as they require special equipment and advanced skills. Usually we can still provide this in house as most of our dentists have obtained specialist skills in one field or another. Occasionally we may need to refer you to another specialist practice, where this is necessary we will discuss the various options.