

Restorative Dentistry

Information for patients and carers

Service name	Restorative Dentistry
Division	Surgery, Head & Neck
Hospital	University of Bristol Dental Hospital
Description of service (for public)	<p>The Division of Restorative Dentistry at the University of Bristol Dental Hospital provides specialist care and advice in the rehabilitation of oral function and dento-facial appearance.</p> <p>Priority patient groups which are treated include those recovering from oral cancer, those born with very few teeth or have oral defects (cleft palate), those subject to significant trauma and those requiring special care.</p> <p>The division excels in teaching undergraduate and postgraduate dental professionals, and is also an internationally recognised centre for cutting-edge research.</p>
Areas of excellence	<p>Treatment of congenital oral/dental defects</p> <p>Oral rehabilitation of head and neck cancer patients</p> <p>Dentistry for patients with special needs</p> <p>Teaching dental professionals</p> <p>Clinical Research</p>
General contact details	0117 342 4386
Further information for public (specialist clinics etc)	<p>Orthodontic-Restorative Clinic</p> <p>Dental Implant clinic</p> <p>Oro-Facial Pain Clinic</p>
Conditions treated	<p>Cleft lip and palate: a condition resulting in a localised failure of the lip, palate and dental tissues to develop. Reconstruction of the dental tissues after cleft surgery and orthodontics.</p> <p>Congenitally missing teeth (Hypodontia): a condition in which some or all of the teeth and supporting tissues fail to develop and grow. Reconstruction will often require a combined orthodontic and restorative treatment approach.</p> <p>Dental anxiety (fear) & phobia: provision of dental treatment in a caring and sympathetic way, which may include adjunctive sedation or general anaesthesia.</p> <p>Dental and facial trauma: reconstruction of the oral and dental tissues following loss through accidental injury.</p> <p>Endodontic (root canal) problems: disease inside the teeth. Specialist advice and treatment if out-with the scope of general dental practice, including root surgery</p> <p>Head & neck cancer: reconstruction of the oral and dental tissues after cancer surgery and radiotherapy.</p> <p>Missing and broken down teeth: where specialist advice or treatment is required to restore appearance and function.</p> <p>Oro-facial pain: a range of conditions resulting in discomfort in the dental or jaw tissues. Investigation, diagnosis and treatment.</p> <p>Periodontal (Gum) disease: a range of diseases of the gum and</p>

	<p>bone supporting the teeth. Diagnosis, advice and provision of treatment for susceptible individuals.</p> <p>Toothwear: damage to the teeth caused by tooth grinding, acid or other substances. Restoration of the teeth to improve appearance, function and long-term survival.</p>
Treatments offered	<p>Patients may be referred by their dentist or doctor for advice and treatment planning. Referrals direct from patients will not usually be accepted unless there is an accompanying letter of referral from a dental or medical practitioner.</p> <p>Specialist Prosthodontic, Periodontic, Endodontic and Operative Dentistry treatment may be provided for priority patient groups. These include developmental defects, head and neck oncology, severe trauma and special care.</p> <p>In addition, funding for complex high cost procedures is limited, and is usually dependent upon prior approval from the patient's Primary Care Trust. This includes tooth replacement involving the use of dental implants.</p> <p>On occasions the dental hospital is able to accept patients, who are outside the normal patient priority groups, for complex restorative dentistry treatment. This is dependent upon the educational needs of the postgraduate clinical training programmes, and cannot be guaranteed to be available.</p> <p>Patients who require certain items of general dentistry or less complex restorative dentistry may be taken on by the undergraduate dental student programme for teaching and training purposes. These treatment items change according to the educational needs of the dental students and cannot be guaranteed to be available.</p>

Patient information leaflets

There is a wide range of high quality patient information leaflets available. Some of these may well be suitable for your patients to access on the website. Please visit <http://nww.avon.nhs.uk/dms/> and select 'Patient Information' then 'University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust', all the leaflets are then organised by Division and service. Please identify the appropriate leaflets for your service and enter their names into the box below, along with the DMS link to the leaflet.

Current patient information leaflets for this service	<p>Acrylic Resin Metal Dentures Care Of Permanent Soft Linings Dental Implants Immediate Dentures Root Canal Treatment Treatment Provided By Dental Students</p>
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Information for GPs/GDPs

Referral information	<p>Patients may be referred by their dentist or doctor for advice and treatment planning. Referrals direct from patients will not usually be accepted unless there is an accompanying letter of referral from a dental or medical practitioner.</p> <p>Periodontal referrals must be accompanied with Basic Periodontal Examination (BPE) coding and all such patients should have had thorough oral hygiene instruction and non-surgical periodontal care at their GDP before a referral is made.</p> <p>Specialist Prosthodontic, Periodontic, Endodontic and Operative Dentistry treatment may be provided for priority patient groups. These include developmental defects, head and neck oncology, severe trauma and special care.</p> <p>In addition, funding for complex high cost procedures are limited and funding is usually dependent upon prior approval from the patient's Primary Care Trust. Funding is applied for on a case by case basis. This includes tooth replacement involving the use of dental implants.</p> <p>On occasions the dental hospital is able to accept patients, who are outside the normal patient priority groups, for complex restorative dentistry treatment. This is dependent upon the educational needs of the postgraduate clinical training programmes, and cannot be guaranteed to be available.</p> <p>Patients who require certain items of general dentistry or less complex restorative dentistry may be taken on by the undergraduate dental student programme for teaching and training purposes. These treatment items change according to the educational needs of the dental students and cannot be guaranteed to be available</p>
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