How to find us

Our centre is located in Chiswell Green, St Albans, Herts next to the Co-op.





If you are travelling by bus, visit tfl.gov.uk/modes/buses/ for bus information.



You can park on the side roads around the centre, or we have a small car park at the front of the centre.



If you are travelling by train, you can find directions on Google Maps.

Dental Implants

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The natural tooth replacement solution

A dental implant is a small screw that acts as an artificial tooth root when placed in the jaw bone. Dental implants are ideal to replace single or multiple missing teeth.

The implant can be used to anchor different types of restorations such as crowns, bridges or dentures and they will look and function like natural teeth.

The titanium works in harmony with your body becoming a "bionic" tooth root and they are designed to be a stable and effective long-term solution.

Benefits of dental implants

The ability to chew and enjoy your food in a similar way to that prior to tooth loss.

You will have no dentures to remove.

Confidence that the fixed bridge or tooth replacement feels as secure as a natural tooth.

A written plan is usually then formulated detailing the sequence of treatment and associated cost.

The protection of your remaining teeth and jawbone.

Dental implant uses

By acting as a tooth root, a dental implant provides a stable foundation for replacement teeth. This allows improved function, speech and aesthetics.

An implant can be used to:

1. Replace a single tooth

Dental implants are an ideal solution for replacing a single missing tooth and eliminating the need to grind down healthy adjacent teeth.

2. Replace several teeth

Implants can be used to replace and support individual crowns or bridges. Support from adjacent healthy teeth is not necessary because implants act as replacement tooth roots.

3. Replace all teeth

In addition to looking and functioning like natural teeth, implant-supported dentures and full bridges are designed to be a stable and effective long term solution. Implants eliminate the need for adhesives to keep dentures in place.

Finance

UK Dental Specialists offer a range of monthly finance options to choose from. Our affordable monthly payment plans mean you can arrange your payments to suit your individual budget. Please note the finance must be arranged, and all paperwork needs to be completed, prior to commencing any treatment.

Dental implant procedure

The implant process normally involves several steps that take place over a period of time from 3 to 9 months. Although there are various implant treatment methods, a typical process often includes:

- **1. Assessment and planning** The dentist will assess the feasibility of providing implant treatment. X-rays may be taken and preliminary models may be prepared.
- 2. Implant placement A relatively simple minor surgical procedure is performed under sterile conditions in the dental surgery under local anaesthesia and, if indicated, supplemented by conscious sedation.
- **3. Integration period** Although some implants can be loaded into function immediately, or soon after surgery, it is often suggested that a period of three months or more be allowed for the implant to fully integrate before loading.
- **4.** The restorative phase Once integrated, the implants may need to be uncovered and can be brought into function with a variety of restorations, ranging from a single crown, small or large bridge, or, if preferred, a removable overdenture clipped to the implants.
- 5. Maintenance Following the completion of implant treatment, patients need to clean thoroughly around the implants, as instructed by the dentist. They should attend their dentist for regular review so that the health of the soft tissue, bone levels and the integrity of the restoration can be checked. We also carry out complex implant treatments, including sinus lifting and different types of tissue grafting.

To replace your missing teeth with dental implants, supporting fixed crowns or bridges requires specialist surgical and prosthetic knowledge and skill. Your treatment will accordingly be managed by a specialist periodontist and a specialist in prosthodontics.