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UK Dental Specialists
at Chiswell Green

DENTAL IMPLANTS

WHY AM I SEEING A SPECIALIST AND NOT A GENERAL DENTIST?



The General dental council specialist lists are lists of registered dentists who meet certain conditions and are entitled to use a specialist title.

A specialist is a dentist who has completed additional post-graduate training. By completing extensive training in their chosen area, they focus primarily on performing these specific procedures.

Here at UK Dental Specialists, we combine state of the art facilities with leading specialist clinicians to provide the highest quality dental treatment. Years of collated experience and specialised degrees means we can guarantee our patients will receive the best advice, enabling them to make an informed decision.

WHAT IS A DENTAL IMPLANT?

A natural tooth consists of a root, which firmly sits in the jawbone, and a crown, which is the visible part of the tooth.

A dental implant replaces a natural tooth root. It is a small, but strong, post made of biocompatible metals that is inserted into the jawbone in place of a tooth root. The implant acts as a base for fixing single crowns, multiple tooth bridges, or can be used as an anchor for entire dentures.



WHY CHOOSE TO HAVE A DENTAL IMPLANT?

Help your smile and self-confidence

A dental implant solution looks and feels like your natural teeth. You can feel more comfortable talking, smiling, eating and kissing too.

Help function

Dental implants are anchored as secure as a natural tooth in the bone. Together with the prosthetic part you can bite and chew naturally again and eat the food you like.

Preserve your jawbone and facial structure

Our natural teeth help bone to remain strong and healthy. The forces we generate as we chew transmit through the tooth roots to the bone, which stimulates the maintenance of bone density.

If a tooth is missing, the bone around it doesn't receive this stimulation and may begin to slowly recede over time. With shrinking bone, the shape of your face may also change over time.

Dental implants transmit chewing forces to the jawbone which helps to maintain a healthy jaw and therefore preserve your facial structure.

DENTAL IMPLANT TREATMENT PROCEDURE

Implant therapy is a well-proven, scientifically tested medical technique. A thorough diagnosis, individual consultation and competent dental treatment are the vital cornerstones for a successful outcome.

Standard treatment procedure

Treatment time: 3 to 4 months from implant placement until you have the final prosthetic restoration.

1. Consultation and examination

The dentist will assess your dental and medical history, clarify your expectations, and explain your different treatment options.

2. Clinical assessment and planning

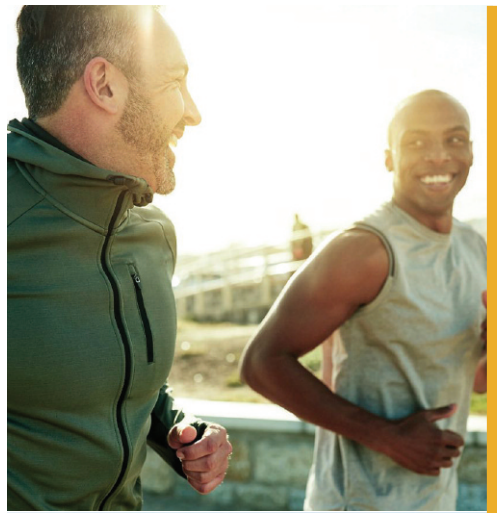
Your dentist will do a thorough clinical assessment. To be a suitable candidate for implant treatment you need enough healthy bone to anchor an implant. X-Rays and CT scans (3D x-rays) show bone quality and quantity. If there is not enough bone, there are options to build up bone again.

3. Tooth extraction (if applicable)

If it is untreatable, a tooth will need to be extracted under local anaesthesia. Now the gap needs some time to heal. This can take a few months, depending on your situation. During this time, you may not want to expose a visible tooth gap, and you can opt for a temporary tooth, which may be anchored to the neighbouring teeth.

4. Implant surgery

To place the implant, your dentist will open your gum and drill an access where a dental implant will sit.





Then the implant will be inserted into the bone. If you do not have enough bone, it may be rebuilt at the time of surgery.

This may be done under local anaesthesia but can also be performed with sedation.

At this stage you will still have a visible tooth gap. If you and your dentist elect for a temporary tooth solution, then depending on where and how big the gap is, you will receive a temporary crown or bridge, which may be fastened to the neighbouring natural teeth.

Now it will take time for the bone and gums to properly heal around the implant.

This will depend on your treatment plan but will commonly be 3 months but can range from 2 to 9 months.

5. Postoperative review and suture removal

Approximately two weeks after surgery your dentist will check on the healing and remove the stitches.

6. Impression taking and prosthetic restoration production

When the bone has completely healed, it will be time to start the restorative step. This is normally done by your dentist in collaboration with the dental laboratory.

7. Prosthetic restoration fitting

When the final prosthetic restoration is ready, your dentist will fix it to the respective implant(s), and make the necessary adjustments, ensuring your bite is comfortable, functional and aesthetic as planned. From now on you will be able to eat, smile and laugh naturally again.



HOW MUCH IS A DENTAL IMPLANT?

Following an assessment by one of our experienced specialists, you will be presented with a plan and an estimate of costs specific to you and your needs.

Typically, the cost for the replacement of a single tooth with a dental implant will start from £2,800.*

Additional costs may be applicable for a range of reasons. Common treatments that require additional fees include, but are not restricted to:

- Extraction of a tooth
- Temporary replacement of a tooth
- CT scan to assess your bone
- Procedures to re-build missing bone



Replacement of teeth in highly visible regions of your mouth (such as the front teeth in the upper jaw) often require significantly more work to recreate a natural looking smile. As a result, the cost would likely be higher than £2,800.

*price correct at time of printing May 2021

DENTAL FINANCE

Are you considering treatment at Chiswell Green Dental Centre, but are unsure about the best way to pay for it? If so, you might be interested in the payment plans we offer.

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