

PATIENT INFORMATION LEAFLET

(Effective 1 January 2019)

REFERRAL PROCESS

Your dentist may decide that you need specialist endodontic care and offer to refer you to Justin Barnes. Endodontics is the branch of dentistry which is concerned with the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of diseases which affect the tissues inside a tooth.

Your dentist will inform you to which clinic you have been referred. Once that clinic has received the referral details, you will be contacted for a consultation appointment. Every effort will be made to offer you the soonest available appointment which may not be for several weeks due to the large volume of referrals. It can sometimes take multiple appointments and several months for endodontic treatment to be completed from the point you are referred.

Please notify the clinic in advance if English is not your first language or if you have any other communication and/or accessibility needs. Ground floor facilities are available at Mercer Dental Care.

APPOINTMENTS

The first appointment is a consultation which will last approximately 30 minutes in duration. The consultation is important to confirm the diagnosis, and ensure that you are informed of the options available with their respective pros, cons, costs and likely prognoses. You will have the opportunity to ask questions during the consultation. It is advisable that you then take time to carefully consider the information before making a decision to proceed with a particular option.

If endodontic treatment is indicated and you decide to proceed with treatment, further appointment(s) will be arranged with the clinic. Justin completes most cases within two treatment appointments, each approximately 30-90 minutes in duration. He aims to make treatment as comfortable as possible carrying out treatment under local anaesthetic; he does not offer any form of sedation.

After treatment, you will be invited to attend a review appointment prior to being discharged back to your own dentist. It is important that you continue to attend your own dentist for general dental care.

ABOUT JUSTIN

Justin is a Specialist in Endodontics (General Dental Council registration number 83629). Justin provides services at two clinics in Northern Ireland and he is committed to providing professional and high-quality endodontic care. Justin studied Anatomy and Dentistry at Queen's University Belfast, and he completed specialist training in Endodontology at King's College London Dental Institute. Justin has published several papers in journals and he has co-edited and contributed to dental textbooks. Justin facilitates educational courses for dentists.

FEES AND PAYMENT

Justin provides care on a private basis. Payment is made to the clinic at the end of each appointment by card, cash or cheque. The following is a *fee guide*:

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| • Consultation (1-2 teeth) | – £120 |
| • Consultation (> 2 teeth) | – £180 |
| • Investigation | – up to £200 |
| • Root canal treatment | – £550-650 |
| • Root canal retreatment | – £650-750 |
| • Core filling | – £100 |
| • Managing an obstruction | – Up to £200 |
| • Surgical endodontics | – £500-600 |
| • Review | – £45 |

Additional fees may be applied in complex cases. Fees are quoted by Justin at the consultation.

CANCELLATION POLICY

If you cannot attend, or need to amend/cancel your appointment, please notify the clinic as soon as possible giving *at least two full weekdays' notice* so the appointment can be offered to another patient. You will be charged £50 per half hour of appointment time if you:

- Do not attend your appointment;
- If you give insufficient notice to amend/cancel your appointment; or
- If you arrive late and the appointment has to be rescheduled.

This charge must be pre-paid before the clinic will schedule another appointment.

Thank you for taking the time to read this information leaflet.

Further information is available at www.barnesendo.com

Justin looks forward to meeting you.

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