



Community Dental Service Barnet

A patient's guide

Welcome to Whittington Health
Community Dental Service, Barnet -
A dental service for adults and children
with complex needs

This leaflet provides information on

- Who can use the service?
- How to make an appointment
- What to do in an emergency
- Your Rights & Responsibilities
- How to contact us



Our Clinics



There is an induction loop at the main reception



There is full disabled access for this service

Vale Drive Health Centre

Vale Drive
Barnet
EN5 2ED
Phone – 020 3316 8320

Torrington Park Health Centre

16 Torrington Park
N12 9SS
Phone – 020 3316 8329

Mill Hill Health Centre

Hartley Avenue
NW7 2HX
Phone – 020 3316 8330/8332

To Make an Appointment:

If you are already a patient, please contact your clinic directly. Clinics are usually open Mon-Fri 8:45am - 5:00pm.

If you have been referred and want to check the progress of your referral, please call 020 3316 8353

Patient advice and liaison service (PALS)

If you have a compliment, complaint or concern please contact our PALS team on 020 7288 5551 or

whh-tr.whitthhealthPALS@nhs.net

If you need a large print, audio or translated copy of this leaflet please contact us on 020 7288 3182. We will try our best to meet your needs.

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We provide dental care only to certain groups of patients:

Children: who are very anxious or uncooperative, children with disabilities or medical conditions requiring special care.

Adults: with complex needs, such as severe learning disabilities, physical disabilities or mental health problems and adults and older people with medical conditions who need additional care, housebound and homeless people.

Additional specialist services: We can also provide treatment under sedation and do home visits.

Patients must be referred to the service, by a dentist or other health and social care professional. Referral forms can be obtained from our website or by ringing the Community Dental Service on: **020 3316 8353**

Email: dentalreferral.whitthealth@nhs.net
Website: <http://www.whittington.nhs.uk/default.asp?c=10989>

What should I do if I need an interpreter? If you need a language or sign language interpreter, this can be arranged for you. Contact the service or let your dentist know.

We will not normally treat patients who can be treated by a general dentist (GDP). If you do not fall into one of the categories above, you will be given a list of local NHS dentists.

Reminders and recalls

At the end of your treatment, your dentist will discuss when you will need to see a dentist again. You will attend as often as is needed to keep your teeth and gums healthy and may no longer need a check-up every six months.

Cancellations

You are responsible for giving us at least 24 hours' notice if you must cancel or change an appointment.

YOUR RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

You are entitled to

- Be treated with dignity, kindness and respect by all staff.
- A full explanation of your treatment options.
- Information about NHS charges displayed in the waiting room.
- Make a complaint if you are not happy with your treatment and care.

You are responsible for

- Informing our staff of any change of address or other details.
- Following your dentist's advice to prevent tooth decay and gum disease.
- Providing proof that you are entitled to claim help with the cost of NHS treatment. If you do not give us proof of this, we may need to check you are eligible.
- Treating our staff with courtesy and respect.

Charges

The charge you pay depends on the treatment you need. Please note dental charges change annually. The charges below are correct as of April 1st 2019.

Band1 £22.70 - This covers an examination, X rays, simple cleaning, fluoride treatment and fissure sealants.

Band 2 £62.10 - anything listed above plus any further treatment such as fillings, root canal work or if you need extractions for one or more teeth.

Band 3 £269.30 - This covers everything listed in Bands 1 and 2 above plus crowns, dentures and bridges.

Adult patients must usually pay charges. You may be exempt from treatment charges, if you are on certain benefits. Please check when making appointment.

Urgent treatment and out of hours care

If you are a patient of ours and you think you need urgent treatment please contact us, as early as possible, on **020 3316 8353**. Please be aware that if the clinic is fully booked you may have to wait to be seen or go to another clinic.

If you need emergency dental treatment after 6pm, at weekends or Bank Holidays contact NHS 111.