



Working for your smile

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Newsletter Sept 07

You will be aware that the government introduced major changes within the NHS dentistry last year. Primary Care Trusts (PCTs) had to negotiate contracts individually with each practice. Our practice has signed a contract to treat only children and exempt adults under the NHS. In addition, we continue to treat the staff at the Mayday University Hospital under the NHS. All other patients are seen on a private basis, or under one of the plans below. We feel that this has allowed us to focus our efforts on a specific group of patients, which has resulted in a better quality of service for all. We are now able to offer additional or enhanced services to existing and new patients. Many new team members have been recruited and existing staff have re-trained to acquire new and update existing skills. As a result, we now employ the services of high quality laboratories in the UK and Germany.

Additional/Enhanced services include:

- ◆ Intravenous Sedation;
- ◆ Invisible Braces
- ◆ Advanced Crown and Bridge Dentistry
- ◆ Precision Dentures
- ◆ Cosmetic Dentistry (Composite, Ceramic, CAD-CAM restorations)
- ◆ Smile Design (including tooth whitening)
- ◆ Facial Aesthetic Treatment (Dermal Fillers and Botox)
- ◆ Advanced Implant and Bone Grafting Techniques

The practice was also awarded a specific contract by the Croydon PCT to carry out oral surgery (wisdom teeth removal and other surgical procedures on behalf of Mayday Hospital) for those patients whose waiting time had exceeded 6 weeks at the hospital.

In addition to this, during the summer, the practice was privileged to be granted a contract by the University of London (London Deanery) to train dental nurses in south London. All the dentists in the practice participated in running a series of lectures and workshops for 12 student nurses.

Future Plans:

Ground floor extension plans are under way for 2008 to provide two new treatment rooms. This will help those unable to climb stairs. There will also be a dedicated sterilisation room and disabled toilet. An in-house laboratory is also being planned on the second floor. For treatments involving laboratory work, this will mean shorter waiting times, as well as a higher quality and more personalised service.

Initial Consultation fees:

(including standard x rays where necessary.

Detailed cost estimate will then be given)

New patients or those not assessed for 3 yrs £55

Implant consultation £80

Facial aesthetics £25

Invisible braces £25 (additional £100 for

laboratory/computerised feasibility, if deemed suitable)

8 **Dentistry Top 50**

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Manny Vasant

Last year: 44

Up 20 places from last year, Manny's stock has risen. A principal in a South London practice, he graduated in 1972 and went on to obtain the US Board Examination and the New York State Licence Examination. Manny is a fellowship assessor, MGDS and (Emeritus) MFGDP examiner, a regional adviser and vocational training course organiser for the University of London. He is also a diploma tutor for the Central London division of the FGDP and sits on numerous committees.



From "Dentistry" 22nd March 2007

News, Gossip and Achievements: Congratulations where due!

Mamta got married Sept 07. She has now left us after 15 years to reside in Harrow.

Emma is having a baby in October and will be on maternity leave till Jan 08.

Dr Neesha Patel ,who joined our team this year, got married in August 07.

Dr R Nath got married last year.

Hayley had a baby girl. She gets married later this year.

Krishna and Vinaya (with distinction) passed their NBDN examination.

Dr Vasant was voted in to 24th place in the Top 50 poll by “Dentistry”.

Drs Vasant and Chopra appointed mentors/teachers in implantology

Dr Raj Bolaky appointed trainer on the Vocational Training Scheme (University of London)

Welcome to Dr Roy Woodhoo who has joined our team.

Plans available at quick glance

Privilege Practice Plan	Denplan Essentials*	Denplan Care*	Private fee per item
Available to regular patients of the practice of > 2 years who have no outstanding treatment	Available to any patient who has completed the prescribed course of treatment at the practice	Restricted availability after a full assessment	Available to anyone
Covers (annually): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 X 6 monthly check ups, x rays, scaling by dentist • 2 X pain relief appointments • 20 % discount on treatment (not implants); 10 % on laboratory based items • Trauma worldwide insurance 	Covers (annually) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 X 6 monthly check ups, x rays • 2 (or 4) X Separate appointment with hygienist • Trauma world wide insurance 	Covers (annually) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All treatment clinically necessary • Laboratory bills excluded • Trauma worldwide insurance 	Covers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any treatment fee per item at current prices
£ 10.50 per month (pm)	£ 12.86 or £19.46 pm (2 or 4 hyg appts agreed)	£12.86 to £35.29 pm	Fee per item

Did you know!

- ◆ Patients with diabetes have increased risk of gum disease
 - ◆ Recently a link has been found between patients with gum disease and heart problems
- Free urine (diastix) test for diabetes available at the practice at examination visit on request.
Free BP check at examination visit on request.

