

WESSEX AREA TEAM

Additional information on SPECIALIST FIXED PROSTHODONTIC TREATMENT

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Examples of currently recognised exceptions

1. Where there is evidence of severe tooth wear which is likely to affect long-term oral function and/or oral health, and where specialist fixed prosthodontics treatment is the only option.
2. Where there are developmental abnormalities of dental tissues, such as amelogenesis imperfecta or dentinogenesis imperfecta.
3. Patient with unique requirements, for example special care needs, where specialist fixed prosthodontics treatment is needed to maintain long-term oral function and/or oral health

Referral Requirements

For a referral to be accepted the following criteria are required:

- The patient should be a regular attender in practice and motivated to maintain a high standard of oral hygiene.
- The letter of referral should contain an indication of the history of the problem and of the treatment carried out to date.
- A recent high quality periapical radiograph of the tooth/teeth in question must be sent with the referral letter. Digital print-outs must be of diagnostic quality. Faxed and photocopied images will not be accepted.
- Appropriate study models, where they would add useful additional information to support the referral.

Inability to pay for private treatment is not an indication for a referral.

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