

Once you're 18 Paying for your dental treatment

Until the age of 18 dental care is free on the NHS. At Wall Heath Dental Practice we have a small contract with the local PCT meaning we are able to offer NHS to children and a small number of adult patients.

Once our patients turn 18 they have several different options regarding their continuing dental care.

- Fee per item private treatment
- Join a denplan payment scheme
- Students can continue as a paying NHS patient

Fee per item private treatment

In this situation oral health assessments (check-ups) and treatment are paid for at the time of the appointment.

Currently an oral health assessment is charged at £38.00, scaling and procedures for treatment of gum disease start at £40.50 and fillings at £78.50.

Join a denplan payment scheme

Many of our patients choose to pay for their dental care on a monthly plan. Being on a plan can help you budget for the costs of your dental treatment. We offer 2 types of plan, denplan care and denplan essentials. Both plans cover the costs of checkups, x-rays and scaling and polishing procedures. Denplan care also covers fillings /root fillings and other dental procedures, where as denplan essentials memberships gives a discount off general treatments. Membership of either plan gives a discount off cosmetic procedures such as tooth whitening.

Denplan also provide insurance to our patients who join one of the schemes. This insurance covers damage to teeth from accidents such as falling and breaking teeth, as well as worldwide travel insurance for dental problems, and emergency out of hours cover which is usually provided by one of the dentists from our practice.

- Denplan care group A currently costs £16.32 per month
- Denplan essentials group A currently costs £8.60 per month

Students can continue to access free dental care until their 19th birthday, and we are happy to provide this. We will also continue providing NHS care to students until graduation.

The NHS charges relate to the band that the course of treatment falls into.

- A band 1 (check-up x-rays and scaling and polishing) currently costs £23.80
- A band 2 (fillings/extractions/root-fillings/treatment of gum disease) costs £65.20
- A band 3 (crown, appliance) costs £282.80

We hope we have provided you with a great foundation for lifelong good oral health, and wish to keep caring for your growing needs.

We often find that the lifestyle change of going to university or leaving home can change healthy habits and we hope you continue to come and see us on a regular basis so we can diagnose any early signs of dental decay and gum disease whilst they are reversible.

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