



Your medical history... What does this have to do with dentistry?

We know how much our patients dislike having to update their medical history forms. Every six months we hear you cry "Not again!"... But there are very good reasons we ask you to do this.

Information about your general health, major illnesses or surgery, allergies or medications you are currently taking, can be vital for us to know, especially in an emergency situation.

Each of the questions asked on the medical history form also have specific items which can have an affect on both your oral health and the way we deliver your dental treatment.

Some medications cause dry mouth, which can increase the risk of tooth decay. Others can

cause overgrowth of your gum tissue. Some may require the dentist to change the type of local anaesthesia given. And some may cause you to bleed more than normal. Your dentist will also want to make sure that any medications they prescribe don't interact with medications you already are taking, either prescription or over-the-counter.

Many health conditions can have significant effects on your mouth and teeth. Diabetes, for instance, can increase the risk of periodontal (gum) disease. Osteoporosis can affect the jaw bone, causing your teeth to become loose. Gastroesophageal reflux disease can result in a bad taste or a burning sensation in your mouth and the enamel on

your teeth might wear away from stomach acids entering your mouth. Other conditions, such as Arthritis or Parkinson's, may affect your dexterity and therefore limit your ability to brush and floss effectively.

Please mention everything about your health, even if you don't think it relates to your mouth. The more we know about you, the better we can tailor our advice and treatments to your needs, and most of all, it allows us to treat you safely.

Please could all patients kindly arrive 5 minutes before the allocated appointment time so we can update your medical history form before you see the Dentist. Thank you!

NEW Product - Curasept Mouthwash

Curasept Mouthwash is a chlorhexidine mouthwash which kills the micro-organisms associated with various mouth and throat infections, and other common conditions in the mouth. It offers a strong anti-bacterial and plaque inhibiting action which helps to reduce gum disease and tooth decay. It can also be used to assist with treating mouth ulcers and for after care following oral surgery.

Curasept is both alcohol and sugar free. And, unlike some traditional chlorhexidine mouthwashes, Curasept has a unique formulation which helps prevent changes in your taste perception and also reduces the occurrence of yellow-brown discolouration of the teeth and gums.

For information on any of our oral healthcare products, please speak to a member of the practice team.



Did you know...?

In Italy the Tooth Fairy is a small mouse called 'Topino'. While in France and French-speaking countries, the Tooth Fairy is known as 'La Petite Souris' (the Little Mouse). And in Mexico and Chile it's 'el Raton de los dientes' (the Tooth Mouse). ☺

Special Offer - £10 reward!

We are taking on new private patients, and what better than a recommendation from you, our valued patients!

If you have a friend who would be interested in joining our practice, please cut out this coupon, filling in your name and contact number in the space below, and pass it on for your chance to receive **£10** worth of **gift vouchers** redeemable against any of **our oral healthcare products**. Your friend will also be rewarded with a **15% discount** off their initial examination fee (normal cost £65.00), saving them **£9.75** on their first visit.

When your friend presents this coupon at their first appointment, we will contact you so you can collect your £10 voucher.

For further information, terms and conditions please speak to one of our friendly receptionists who will be happy to help. This offer is only valid using an official patient referral coupon. Terms and conditions apply. Offer ends on 30th April 2015.

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