

Keeping you in the picture

# A patient's guide to being referred

ROBERT NICHOLS BDS  
ENDODONTICS REFERRAL SERVICE



## Why you have been referred

There are occasions when your dentist feels it is advisable for you to be treated by another colleague who has a special interest in a particular field of dentistry. This is to ensure that you receive the highest possible standard of care.

You are being referred to Rob Nichols (at John Taylor Dental Care in Scarborough) because of his experience in endodontics (root fillings).

Rob's involvement in your course of treatment is dictated by your own dentist, depending on your particular needs. He may carry out a whole procedure or just one element, with the rest completed by your dentist.

We keep your dentist fully informed about your treatment whilst under Rob's care, supplying records, x-rays and photographs as appropriate. Once Rob's involvement is ended you will return to your usual practice to receive general dental care.

## Endodontics explained: root treatment

Your dentist will advise using endodontics when the blood or nerve supply of the tooth (known as the pulp) is infected through decay or injury. The alternative is to remove the tooth. You will be referred to Rob if your particular case requires additional skills and equipment.

If the pulp becomes infected, the infection may spread through the root canal system of the tooth. This may eventually lead to an abscess. The aim of the treatment is to remove all infection from the root canal. The root is then cleaned and filled to prevent any further infection.

Following the initial consultation, the infected pulp is removed. Any abscesses, which may be present, can also be drained at this time. The root canal is then cleaned and shaped ready for the filling. A temporary filling is put in and the tooth is left to settle. The tooth is checked at a later visit and, when all infection has cleared, is filled.

## John Taylor Dental Care, Scarborough

Your treatment will take place at **John Taylor Dental Care**, which is in the centre of **Scarborough at 12 York Place**.

The first appointment (charge: £82.00) will be a consultation when Rob will assess your case and advise you of your options.

The practice is situated close to the railway station and next to the Brunswick Shopping Centre, where there is a public car park.

### Satellite navigation

Postcode: YO11 2NP

House Number: 12

### Contact

Telephone: 01723 373866

### Accessibility

The surgery for referred patients is on the first floor, accessible by stairs.

### Payment

Please pay for your treatment on the day it is carried out. We accept cash, cheques guaranteed by card and major credit cards.

## Introducing Rob Nichols BDS, PgCert Endodontics

*A member of the British Endodontic Society and the Association of Dental Implantology UK*

I graduated in dentistry from the University of Manchester in 1986; and completed the Postgraduate Certificate in Endodontics at the University of Chester in 2009.

I take the time to explain your options and keep you fully informed of treatment plans, estimates and procedures, helping you to make the right decisions for your dental health.

The latest techniques and equipment, including an operating microscope, are used to ensure clinical excellence.

