



Root Canal Treatment

Root Canal Treatment is the process of removing the nerve from the centre of a tooth. This procedure is required when the nerve has become inflamed resulting in an infection which causes a toothache.

Nerves in teeth often become irritated due to extensive decay, large restorations or fractures in the tooth.

Root canal treatment involves three separate appointments:

The first appointment is to create an access hole in the top of the tooth. This involves cleaning the nerve canal of the infected nerve tissue and inserting an antibiotic paste into the tooth to eradicate the initial infection and relieve the toothache.

During the second appointment a computer controlled filing system is used to definitively clean the nerve canal so it is completely devoid of any residual nerve tissue. Once cleaning is complete a rubber filling material is placed into the nerve canal to ensure the canal is sealed so there is minimal chance of re-infection.

The final stage often requires a titanium or ceramic post being inserted into the tooth and a permanent filling being placed into the access hole.

We are very aware that root canal treatments carry a negative connotation so we continually strive to ensure our patients are completely informed and comfortable throughout the entire procedure. We do this by using the latest technology in equipment and anaesthetics which also ensures the treatment is completed as quickly and painlessly as possible.

For further information contact our team at 818 Dental.