



## **Celtic Dental Practice Statement of Purpose**

Summary:

To provide a safe and friendly workplace, where all patients and staff are treated with respect.

To provide the highest level of dental care within our skilled capacity

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Provider is:	A partnership

**The Regulated Activity at the above locations is: Primary Dental Care (DEN)**

**Regulated Services Provided**

The regulated activities provided comprise:

- Treatment of disease, disorder or injury
- Surgical procedures
- Diagnostic and screening procedures

### Aims and Objectives

This dental practice consists of dedicated and professional employees. We strive to be acknowledged by our clients, suppliers and regulators as a leader in our sector. This will be achieved by ensuring that we recruit and train highly professional staff whose ambitions are to exceed client expectations.

**Our Aims**

We aim to provide dental care and treatment of consistently good quality for all patients and only to provide services that meet patients’ needs and wishes. We aim to make care and treatment as comfortable and convenient as possible.

In addition, we aim:

- To understand and exceed the expectations of our clients
- To both motivate and invest in our team and acknowledge their value
- To encourage all team members to participate in achieving our aims and objectives
- To clearly set and monitor targets in all areas
- To invest in property, equipment and technology

### **Our Objectives**

The objectives of the practice are to deliver a service of high standard in line with professional standards:

- To be accountable for individual and team performance
- To support each other in achieving patient expectations
- To maintain the highest professional and ethical standards
- To rapidly respond to the needs of our team and our patients
- To encourage innovation, ambition, enterprise and continuous improvement
- To ensure staff are trained and competent through investment and personal development

This is achieved by offering patients a personal service, integrating the highest quality products with the latest proven techniques and protocols.

Patients are treated with honesty and integrity, in complete confidence and the utmost discretion, in comfortable surroundings, at a reasonable cost.

The practice complies with the requirements of the Advertising Standards Authority and the guidance of the General Dental Council and ensures that any advertisements reflect the true nature of services offered.

## Practice Location and Facilities

This practice offers dental services to the whole population which consist of:

- Preventive advice and treatment
- Routine and restorative dental care
- Root canal treatment
- Dental hygiene
- Surgical treatment
- Tooth whitening
- Crown and bridgework
- Restorative dentistry

### Staff within the Practice

<b>Alex Borsden</b>	<b>BDS 2000</b>	Dentist
<b>Jenny Fifield</b>	<b>BDS 1981</b>	Dentist
<b>Lee Walker</b>	<b>RDH DDA.TE 1997</b>	Hygienist
<b>Emma Davies</b>	<b>NEBDSA 1990</b>	Practice Manager
<b>Samantha Lewis</b>	<b>NEBDN 2002</b>	Dental Nurse/reception
<b>Clare Henry</b>	<b>NEBDN 1997</b>	Dental nurse
<b>Adella Hay</b>	<b>NEBDN 1995</b>	Dental Nurse
<b>Stacey Owen</b>	<b>NEBDN 2008</b>	Dental Nurse
<b>Heather DeGruchy</b>		Receptionist
<b>Abbie Warren</b>		Trainee Dental Nurse
<b>Kirsty Thomas</b>		Trainee Dental Nurse

## Facilities within the Premises

Celtic Dental Practice is well located on a main bus route with onsite parking and local amenities

- Our large patient lounge provides a comfortable waiting space
- We have a dedicated children's corner where children can make themselves at home while they wait and play with a selection of books and puzzles
- There is an access ramp and three downstairs surgeries to provide easy access for wheelchair users or people with prams or pushchairs
- We employ digital imaging for instant radiography at the lowest and safest dosage: equipment is registered with the Health and Safety Executive

### **Making an Appointment**

- All patients are seen on an appointment basis
- Opening Hours: **9.00-5.00 Monday-Thursday 9.00-4.00 Friday**

### **Out of Hours Care**

If patients require out of hours care they are to phone the practice on 01558 823833, an answer machine message will give instructions on how to access this care.

### **Cancellations Policy**

At least 24 hours' notice is required of a cancellation otherwise a charge may be made (where permitted), which will be based on the circumstances of the patient and at the practice's discretion.

### **Smoking Policy**

In order to provide a safe healthy and smoke-free environment for staff and patients, the establishment is a no smoking area.

### **Methods of Payment/Credit**

All major credit/debit cards are accepted.

### **Mobile Phones**

Patients are requested not to use mobile phones within the building.

### **Car Parking**

There are free parking facilities at the practice.

### **Client Centred Care**

We care about providing the right treatment for patients/clients, so treatments and procedures are only carried out after fully discussing the pros and cons with the patient.

### **Consultations**

- All consultations are carried out in person with patients/clients, by qualified personnel in the privacy of the consultation/treatment room.
- Records of all consultation and treatments are kept in patients' notes
- At the initial consultation, a medical history will be taken and an outline of the problem the patient presents with. They will be given information on any planned procedure and all alternatives will be discussed, and consent obtained prior to commencement

### **Patient/Client Records**

The details of patients/clients are taken at the initial consultation which also form part of the patient/client records.

### **Information provided to the Patients/Clients**

This practice ensures that information provided to patients/clients and prospective patients and their families/carers is accurate and that any claims made in respect of services are justified. This is in the form of a Patient Information Leaflet.

### **Treatment of Children**

We do provide treatment for children. We will expect minors to be accompanied to the practice by their parents.

### **Consent**

- The practice operates a consent policy which will be advised at the first consultation.
- Patients have the right to make their own decisions regarding medical treatment and care. Prior to the commencement of treatment, patients will be required to sign a form of consent
- Consent to treatment must always be given freely and voluntarily by a person capable of making decisions regarding the treatment. Those with a learning disability should be accompanied by a parent or guardian who will sign the consent form on their behalf

### **Patient Surveys**

- The practice will seek to obtain the views of its patients/clients and use these to inform the provision of treatment and care of prospective patients.  
The Patient Information Leaflet itself is always readily available to patients/clients and copies are available in the waiting room and reception
- It is the policy of this practice also to carry out random patient surveys to seek the views of our patients/clients as to the quality of the treatment and care provided by our personnel

### **Privacy and Dignity of Patients**

The privacy and dignity of patients are respected at all times. This practice has a policy of patient confidentiality and all information and records are kept safe and confidential. There are facilities for patients to have private conversations with the clinical and reception staff.

### **Checklist for Consultation**

- We will explain the procedure to the patient and give them an opportunity to ask questions. We will explain what we are doing at each stage of the procedure
- If a chaperone has been present, we will record the identity of the chaperone in the notes and any other relevant issues or concerns immediately following the consultation

### **Complaints Procedure**

- This practice operates a complaints procedure as part of its dealing with patients' complaints which complies with the 'Putting things Right' document
- Patients are asked that in the event of any complaint, to speak directly or write to their dentist. Patients who require further advice regarding the complaints process should direct their enquiry to Emma Davies who, when applicable, will recommend the services of an independent advocate. A copy of the complaints process is held in the waiting room

### **What we shall do**

Our complaints procedure is designed to make sure that we settle any complaints as quickly as possible. We shall acknowledge complaints within two working days and aim to have looked into the complaint within 10 working days of the date when it was raised. We shall then be in a position to offer an explanation or a meeting as appropriate. If there are any delays in the process we will keep the complainant informed.

### **When we look into a complaint, we shall aim to:**

- Find out what happened and what, if anything, went wrong
- Make it possible for the complainant to discuss the problem with those concerned
- Identify what we can do to make sure the problem does not happen again
- At the end of the investigation the complaint will be discussed with the complainant in detail, either in person or in writing

### **Complaining on behalf of someone else**

The rules of medical confidentiality will be adhered to if the complaint is received on behalf of someone else. A note signed by the person concerned will be required, unless they are incapable (e.g. because of illness) of providing this to allow the complaint to be investigated. If the complaint is not resolved to the patient's satisfaction, the patient will be advised to write (as appropriate) to:

- The Dental Complaints Service (for Private Care and Treatment)  
Telephone: 0208 253 0800  
Email: [info@dentalcomplaints.org.uk](mailto:info@dentalcomplaints.org.uk)

- for NHS Care and Treatment  
Hywel Dda health Board, Glangwili, Carmarthen, SA31 2AF
- HIW , Rhydycar Business park, Merthyr Tydfil CF48 1UZ

### Help us to get it right

We constantly try to improve the service we offer, so we will encourage patients/clients to let us know when we have done something well or if there are any suggestions as to how we can do something better.

**Signed:**

**Date:**

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