

Emergency Dentistry

Service Profile

Telephone number(s) (02) 9845 8779
Facsimile number(s) (02) 9893 8671
Email address(es)

Appointment Contact Details By telephone through the Call Centre (02 9845 6766) or at the face to face desk, Level 1 Westmead Centre for Oral Health.
Urgent Cases Appointments are made according to the priority code criteria set out in ISOH. (Information Services for Oral Health). Patients with traumatic injuries, obvious bleeding or facial swelling will be seen on the day.

Hours of Service 0800 - 1700 Monday to Friday
Location Level 1, Westmead Centre for Oral Health
Postal Address Emergency Dentistry Department
PO Box 533
Wentworthville
NSW 2145

Function of this clinic:

Westmead Centre for Oral Health has an emergency dentistry department open during the hours of 0800 - 1700, Monday to Friday for the treatment of acute pain and acute dental problems, ie. traumatic injuries, obvious bleeding or facial swelling. Westmead Hospital provides an after hours emergency service for people with acute dental problems, ie. trauma, bleeding or facial swelling. This service operates through the Department of Emergency Medicine in the main hospital. Dental staff are on-call to provide this service.

Special interests or sub-specialty clinics:

Education and mentorship of undergraduate dental students.
Education of Dental Officers.
Education of Department of Emergency Medicine staff.

Who this service is provided to:

Eligible patients are pre-school children, school children up to the age of 18 and adults who hold a current Department of Social Security entitlement: Health Benefits Card, Health Care Card, Commonwealth Seniors Card, Pensioners Benefit Card. The pre-school children and children of primary school age are seen in the Department of Paediatric Dentistry. Older school children over 15 years of age may be seen in Emergency Dentistry.

Ineligible patients with acute dental problems may be treated at the discretion of the dental officer in charge or the dental officer on call. Ineligible patients are billed for this service.

How to make an appointment:

By telephone through the Call Centre (02 9845 6766) or at the Face to Face desk, Level 1 Westmead Centre for Oral Health.
Patients requiring emergency treatment after hours should contact the Westmead Hospital Emergency Department on (02) 9845 6520.

Method of Referral:

Inpatient referrals only. Fill out relevant referral form and send via internal mail. For urgent consultations, call department for details.

Consultants:

Head of Department
Dr Tony Skapetis

Clinic Coordinator
Dr Kamala Varatharajan
Dr Raymond Chan

Related Services:

Transport, Parking, Access:

Westmead Centre of Oral Health is situated at Westmead Hospital on the corner of Darcy and Hawkesbury Roads, Westmead, two kilometres west of Parramatta. Cityrail provides rail services to Westmead station and Westbus provides several bus services to and from Westmead Hospital. Direct taxi telephones are provided at the entrance of Westmead Centre for Oral Health. Limited car parking is available on site for a nominal fee. Wheelchair access is available in the department.

Contact Details:

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