

Oral Surgery Criteria

Oral Surgery Clinical Offer Post COVID-19 Priority list of conditions that we will accept and those which at the present time we will not accept for treatment. Please read in conjunction with our referral guidance

Conditions that we will prioritise

Conditions that will be seen as routine

Conditions that we will not accept at the current time

Post-surgical bleeding
Spreading odontogenic infection
Management of oro-antral communications or fistulae
Management of fractured tuberosities
Management of roots in the maxillary antrum
Established MRONJ
Established osteoradionecrosis
Delayed healing of tooth sockets following routine extractions
Extractions for head and neck cancer patients referred by Restorative Dentistry
Extractions for patients with congenital bleeding disorders eg haemophilia and other medically complex patients on a case by case basis where a delay would be detrimental
Management of impacted canines where there is likely resorption of adjacent teeth as assessed by an orthodontist
Impacted third molars where there is caries in the third molar or in the adjacent second molar likely to result in loss of the second molar if not treated
Impacted third molars where there is pain not responding to AAA due to caries
Cystic and other bony lesions-these may be biopsied to confirm a diagnosis. Treatment may be postponed to a later date if found to be radicular, residual or dentigerous and/or there is no concern about pathological fracture
Acute benign salivary gland disease
Surgical exposure or removal of ectopic teeth and supernumerary teeth referred by a specialist orthodontist with a treatment plan
Surgical removal of impacted third molar teeth where there is an increased risk of complications and where a CBCT may be required (see guidance for CBCT)
TMD causing persistent pain or locking-for assessment and initial management where a period of time using conservative measures and self-help has been unsuccessful (see referral guidance).

Chronic benign salivary gland disease
Management of some benign soft tissue lesions-a realistic medicine approach will be taken.
Failed extractions not causing pain
Implant placement and bone grafting for patients referred by Restorative Dentistry and who meet our usual criteria
Oral Surgery under IV sedation for routine non-urgent procedures. Please note our waiting list for this service is currently longer than normal
Bariatric service for patients over 28 stones requiring routine oral surgery
Failed extractions. Where an extraction has been attempted in primary care and the tooth has fractured and is causing pain . Please consider temporising the tooth first.
There will be a limited service offering GA for oral surgery procedures on a case by case basis. Please note for most oral surgery procedures GA is not required
to the normal treatment time guarantee. We will not accept patients for routine extractions
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Please note all referrals that would come under the Urgent Suspicion of Cancer pathway should be referred to OMFS and not to Oral Surgery. Please do not use this pathway for anything else