



# SPECIALIST ENDODONTICS

*Rooted in Excellence & Expertise*



Root canal treatment is often the last chance to save a natural tooth. Avoid extraction with timely endodontic treatment.

### **What is endodontic treatment?**

Endodontic treatment, commonly known as a root canal, is a procedure used to save a tooth that has been badly damaged by decay, infection, or injury. Instead of removing the tooth, the dentist cleans out the infected or inflamed tissue inside, disinfects the area, and seals it to prevent further issues.

### **When is root canal treatment needed?**

When a tooth root is infected, treatment options are root canal therapy or extraction. Infection in the pulp often causes intense pain and sometimes cheek or jaw swelling. If pain stops temporarily, it may mean the nerve has died—pain can return worse later. Endodontics is a conservative way to save the tooth and avoid extraction.

The most common reasons for needing root canal treatment are:

- *Severe toothache or sensitivity to hot and cold.*
- *Swelling or infection around the tooth or gums.*
- *Deep decay or a cracked tooth that has reached the nerve.*

### **Does root canal treatment hurt?**

No need to worry – modern techniques mean root canals are no more uncomfortable than getting a standard filling! The treatment actually relieves pain caused by the infection. We also offer sedation for those patients that require or prefer it.

### **How long does treatment take?**

The length of specialist root canal treatment can vary depending on the tooth and the complexity of the case. As a general guide:



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*I wasn't entirely looking forward to a 2-hour root canal procedure but was pleased to say Afzal and Sam kept me comfortable and informed of everything that was being done. I left the surgery very happy.*

—★★★★★—

*Very happy with the treatment I received, felt pain free & they walked me through the procedure to keep me in the loop as to what was happening. Gives great advice on how to keep my teeth & gums healthy. Highly recommended.*

—★★★★★—

*I can't praise this dental surgery up enough. Just had root canal treatment with Afzal and he made me so at ease. He is absolutely outstanding at his work! So caring and so professional.*

—★★★★★—

*Great root canal treatment by Afzal and Sam, all very successful thank you!*

—★★★★★—

*Fantastic dental practice. All staff are friendly, efficient and very professional. They provide an excellent dental service and I am very happy to be under their care.*

—★★★★★—

- A straightforward root canal on a single-rooted tooth (like an incisor or canine) can usually be completed in about 60–90 minutes.
- More complex teeth — such as molars with multiple canals — may take 90 minutes to 2 hours.

Some treatments are completed in one visit, while others may require two or more appointments, especially if:

- There's infection that needs to settle
- The anatomy is complex
- The tooth is being retreated after a previous root canal

## What is a Specialist Endodontist?

At Silk Dental, Dr Afzal Haque is our specialist endodontist, with advanced training in diagnosing and treating issues within the tooth, particularly the pulp and root canals. While general dentists handle routine root canals, an endodontist is ideal for complex or high-risk cases—offering faster treatment, less discomfort, and better long-term results.

## Endodontist v General dentist?

**Advanced Training & Expertise |** Endodontists complete 2–3 years of specialist training after dental school, focusing on root canals and dental infections. They perform far more root canal treatments than general dentists.

**More Precise & Efficient Root Canal Treatment |** Using microscopes and advanced materials, Endodontists treat complex cases like curved or blocked canals and failed root canals, with higher success rates.

**Advanced Pain Management & Patient Care |** They offer effective pain control and treat severe tooth pain, abscesses, and deep infections comfortably.

## Handles More Complex Procedures

- Re-treatment of failed root canals (when healing is incomplete).
- Apicectomy – minor surgery to remove infection from the root when standard treatment isn't enough.
- Traumatic dental injuries, including knocked-out or fractured teeth.

## FINANCE CALCULATOR

*Below is an example of the monthly repayments you would be making on a finance amount of £850:*

12 MONTHS

**£70.83**

Per Month  
(0% APR)

*\*Note that loans cannot be for more than your treatment cost*



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*If you would like to listen to Afzal explaining more about endodontics watch his video by scanning the QR code below.*



## WOULD YOU LIKE A CONSULTATION WITH AFZAL?

A consultation with Afzal is a comprehensive 30 minute assessment including a digital scan, clinical photographs and a bespoke treatment plan, there is a £60 investment to secure the appointment.

🦷 *Qualified with honours as a general dentist in 2006*

🦷 *Obtained Masters degree in Endodontology with the University of Chester in 2015*

🦷 *Completed a 3-year full time Doctorate degree and specialist training in Endodontics at the University of Liverpool from 2016-2019.*

🦷 *Passed his MEndo speciality examination with the Royal college of Edinburgh and gained a Doctor of Dental Science degree in Endodontics from the University of Liverpool*






🦷 *Published at the European Society of Endodontology in Vienna*

🦷 *Teaches and supervises post-graduate students at Manchester Dental Hospital on the MSc Endodontic programme.*





## Why choose Silk Dental

-  *Silk boasts a leading expert endodontist to provide this specialist treatment. This focused expertise ensures precise diagnosis and effective treatment for complex dental problems.*
-  *We invest in state-of-the-art technology and modern techniques specific to endodontics. From advanced imaging tools for accurate diagnostics to innovative treatment methods, our practice stays at the forefront of endodontic care, ensuring optimal outcomes for our patients.*
-  *We understand the anxiety often associated with endodontic procedures. Sedation is available for those patients who would love to have treatment but maybe too nervous to just have a local anaesthetic.*
-  *Whether it's root canal therapy, endodontic retreatment, or managing dental trauma, our practice offers a comprehensive range of endodontic services. We tailor our treatments to meet individual patient needs, providing solutions that preserve natural teeth whenever possible.*
-  *Silk believes in a multidisciplinary approach to dental care. We collaborate closely with other dental specialists within our practice to ensure comprehensive treatment plans. This integrated approach allows us to address complex cases effectively and comprehensively.*



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