

3 ways to find

NHS urgent dental care



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You can find NHS urgent dental care in 3 ways.



1. Get in touch with an NHS dentist.



Try this first.



A dentist may be able to give you an urgent appointment.



The appointment will be during working hours.



2. Make an appointment at an urgent dental access centre.



Urgent dental access centres will find out what is wrong and treat you.



They can help you with any worries about dental problems.



Urgent dental centres do not do check ups.



They do not do day to day dental care.



You can use an urgent dental centre if:

- You are not getting any ongoing treatment from an NHS dentist, or



- You can not get an urgent appointment at a dentist.



Children and adults can use urgent dental access centres.



Book your appointment at

www.northeastnorthcumbria.nhs.uk/nhs-dentistry.



If you pay for your dentistry you will have to pay.



Urgent dental access centres only have a number of appointments from Monday to Friday.



So only book if you really have to be seen.



If you do not go to your appointment it will mean someone else can not get help.



3. Get in touch with NHS 111



If you can not get an urgent appointment with an NHS dentist or an urgent dental access centre get in touch with 111.nhs.uk or call 111.

They will talk to you about your needs.



They may give you advice on how to treat your problem until you can get an appointment.



They may be able to find an appointment during working hours for you at an urgent dental access centre or out of hours treatment service.



Most general hospitals do not have a service for dental pain.



You should only go to A and E or call 999 if:



- You have really hurt your face, mouth, jaw or teeth.



- You are bleeding badly and it will not stop.



- Your mouth, lips, throat or neck are really swollen and you find it hard to breathe or open your eyes.



- You have any injury to your head or face that knocks you out, makes you sick or makes you see double.

When to make an urgent dental appointment



You should make an urgent dental appointment if you have:



- Toothache that does not go away with bought painkillers.



- Swelling in the mouth or face with pain or fever.



- Broken or knocked out teeth.



- Bleeding after getting dental treatment or an injury that does not stop.



- Loose or broken fillings that are sore.



- Heavy bleeding of your gums.



- Issues with inside your mouth like your cheeks or tongue.



You can also get an urgent appointment if you are worried about:



- Pain that does not go away with bought painkillers.



- Lesser things like a chipped tooth.



- Not real teeth and fillings that are loose, broken or have moved but are not sore.



- Loose or broken false teeth.



- Bleeding gums.



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