

Prosthodontics

(Fixed and removable complete and partial dentures)

Referrals for removable prosthodontics must be made using the Removable Prosthodontics Referral Form found at the link below:

- [Removable Prosthodontics Referral Form](#)

Completed referral forms should be emailed to leedsth-tr.restorativereferral@nhs.net.

A limited number of patients may be accepted for specialist treatment, postgraduate training or undergraduate care, but only after the initial treatment by the referring practitioner has not been successful.

The following criteria should be met prior to referral:

- Patients should have good oral / denture hygiene
- Active caries, lost or fractured restorations should have been appropriately managed
- Significant periodontal disease should be appropriately managed

Otherwise, the patient will usually be discharged back to the referring dentist for provision of this treatment.

For the majority of removable prosthetics cases, it is expected that the General Dental Practitioner has attempted treatment prior to referral. Where dentures are obviously ill-fitting, the patient should have been provided with new dentures. They should only be referred if they continue to experience difficulties (unless reasons are given as to why this is inappropriate e.g. obturator construction).

If patients are offered treatment within the Leeds Dental Institute, their ongoing routine dental care and maintenance must still be provided within General Dental Practice. Patients should therefore continue to be seen for recalls and any routine treatment required whilst also undergoing treatment in the LDI. Patients will then be

discharged back to their General Dental Practitioner following completion of treatment.