

Root Canal Treatment

When your tooth is abscessed due to trauma or deep cavities we need to remove the nerve from the tooth. This procedure is called Root Canal Therapy. Root Canal treatment can take 1-3 appointments depending on the tooth and the reason for treatment. While you are still numb, avoid eating, as you could bite your lip/cheek/tongue and not feel them until they wake up. The dentist at Fielder Park Dental, recommend taking 3 Advil (Ibuprofen) 3 times a day for 3 days. This will help with inflammation as well as relieve discomfort you may have.

If you experience swelling or pain that worsens after your visit, call our office, it may be necessary to schedule you an appointment and/or prescribe antibiotics. We expect your tooth to be sore to chewing and biting pressure, so you should avoid very hard or chewy foods. This should gradually decrease within 7-10 days after your treatment.

A temporary filling will be used to seal the tooth between visits. Occasionally, the top portion of the temporary filling will wash out. This is normal. But if the entire filling comes out, please call our office for an appointment to replace the temporary filling. Sometimes it is necessary for the dentist to place a medication in the tooth before he places the temporary filling, you may experience medicinal taste which is also normal and this will gradually go away.

During the Root Canal Treatment, the nerve, blood and nutrient supply to the tooth is removed. This will cause the tooth to become structurally susceptible to breakage and will require a core buildup and a crown to protect your tooth.