

KIRKHEATON DENTAL PRACTICE

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Consent for Direct Access treatment with the Dental Hygienist Therapist:

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Dental Hygienist Therapists are registered dental professionals who help patients maintain their oral health by preventing and treating Periodontal (gum) disease and promoting good oral health practice, which can affect general health, proven in recent studies.

You are able to access the service of a Dental Hygienist Therapist without the need to see a dentist beforehand, named 'direct access'.

Joshua McGovern / Katie Hardwick is insured with a Dental indemnity company and are registered with the GDC, enabling them to work as a Dental Hygienist Therapist.

Joshua McGovern / Katie Hardwick cannot diagnose or give the prognosis (likely outcome) of diseases such as: decaying/broken teeth, prescribe antibiotics, pain killers or any other drug to alleviate symptoms. They are unable to take any dental x-rays without the instruction from a Dentist.

Joshua McGovern / Katie Hardwick advises that you maintain regular appointments with a Dentist, whether it be at this practice or elsewhere. It is because it is in the interests of your health and Dental Hygienists Therapists have limitations of what they are allowed to do. There are very rare circumstances where they cannot start treatment, and before they can continue, the hygienist therapist may insist that a Dentist assesses you. These may relate to your medical history and general health, or the condition of your mouth, which may give the hygienist therapist cause for concern.

Treatment cannot be provided if you attend the appointment with a cold sore, this is to ensure everyone's safety, including your own.

Patient consent to treatment:

I have read and understood the limitations of direct access to a Dental Hygienist Therapist and agree to be treated under the direct access conditions.

I understand that **Joshua McGovern / Katie Hardwick** is not responsible for the overall health of my mouth and that regular visits to the Dentist are still recommended.

Please complete below:

Signed: Date:..... Name in capitals:

I am/am not (please delete as appropriate) having regular examinations with a Dentist

Date of Most Recent Dental Examination: _____

IF NOT HAVING EXAMS AT KIRKHEATON PLEASE GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF WHERE LAST SEEN & CONFIRM CONSENT WE CAN CONTACT THE PRACTICE FOR THE PREVIOUS NOTES BY TICKING THE BOX