

# Root Canal Treatment at Core Dental Bayside

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### ## What Is Root Canal Treatment?

Root canal treatment (also called endodontic treatment) is used to save a tooth that has become infected or severely damaged at its pulp - the soft tissue at the centre containing nerves and blood vessels.

When bacteria reach the pulp through deep decay, a crack, or trauma, infection develops. Without treatment, the infection can spread to surrounding bone and tissue. Root canal treatment removes the infected pulp, cleans and shapes the root canals, and seals the tooth to prevent reinfection.

The result: your natural tooth is saved. This is always preferable to extraction - nothing replaces a natural tooth as well as keeping it.

### ## Is Root Canal Treatment Painful?

This is the most common misconception about root canal treatment. The procedure is performed under local anaesthetic - you should feel no pain during the treatment, only pressure. Any discomfort before the appointment is caused by the infection itself, not the treatment. Most patients are relieved of their pain immediately after root canal therapy.

For anxious patients, we offer happy gas (nitrous oxide) to make the experience more comfortable.

### ## The Root Canal Process

1. Assessment - X-rays confirm the extent of infection and the anatomy of the root canals  
2. Anaesthetic - the tooth and surrounding area are thoroughly numbed  
3. Cleaning - the infected pulp is removed and the root canals are cleaned, shaped, and disinfected  
4. Sealing - the canals are filled with a biocompatible material (gutta-percha) and sealed  
5. Crown - strongly recommended to protect the restored tooth from fracture

Root canal treatment typically requires 1-3 visits. Complex cases may be referred to a specialist endodontist.

### ## Specialist Referrals - Collins Street Specialist Centre

For complex root canal cases requiring specialist endodontic input - including calcified canals, re-treatment of previously treated teeth, or significant infections - Core Dental patients can be referred

to the Collins Street Specialist Centre within Smile Solutions at 220 Collins Street, Melbourne CBD, where specialist endodontist Dr Greg Tilley (BDS, FRACDS, MRACDS Endo) has over 35 years of specialist experience. Your Core Dental dentist coordinates the referral, and your records are shared securely within the group.

Collins Street Specialist Centre - Phone: (03) 9650 2726

### ## Frequently Asked Questions

**\*\*Will root canal treatment hurt?\*** No - the procedure is performed under local anaesthetic. Any pain you experience before treatment is caused by the tooth infection, not the treatment itself. Root canal therapy relieves pain, it does not cause it.

**\*\*How long does root canal treatment take?\*** Most root canal treatments are completed in 1 to 3 appointments. Simple single-root teeth may be completed in one visit. Multi-root teeth or complex infections may require additional appointments.

**\*\*Do I need a crown after root canal treatment?\*** In most cases, yes. Root canal treatment removes the living pulp from the tooth, making the remaining structure more brittle. A crown significantly reduces the risk of the tooth fracturing and extends its lifespan substantially.

**\*\*Can I eat normally after root canal treatment?\*** Avoid chewing on the treated tooth until your permanent crown is in place. Once crowned, you can resume normal eating and function.

### ## About Core Dental Bayside

Opening June 2026 at 973 Nepean Hwy, Bentleigh VIC 3204. 5 surgeries (opening with 3), 8 ground-floor car spaces, led by Dr Andres Aguirre. HICAPS for instant health fund claiming. Payright interest-free payment plans available. All clinicians AHPRA-registered and ADA members.

**\*\*Opening Hours (from June 2026):\*** Monday to Friday 8:00 am - 6:00 pm | Saturday 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

### ## Register Your Interest

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