

Wisdom Teeth Removal at Core Dental Melbourne

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Wisdom teeth - the third molars that typically emerge between the ages of 17 and 25 - are among the most commonly extracted teeth in dentistry. At Core Dental, our experienced general dentists provide wisdom teeth assessments and extractions across all 9 Melbourne locations, with specialist oral surgery support available for complex cases.

When Do Wisdom Teeth Need to Be Removed?

Not all wisdom teeth require removal. Your dentist will recommend extraction when these teeth cause problems or pose a risk to your oral health. Common signs that wisdom teeth may need attention include:

- Persistent pain or tenderness at the back of the jaw
- Swollen, red or bleeding gums around the emerging tooth
- Recurring infections or abscess formation
- Damage to neighbouring teeth from crowding or pressure
- Cysts or fluid-filled sacs developing around an unerupted tooth
- Difficulty opening your mouth or chewing comfortably
- Food trapping and decay in partially erupted wisdom teeth

Even wisdom teeth that are not yet causing symptoms may be recommended for removal if X-rays show they are impacted (trapped beneath the gum or growing at an angle) and likely to cause future complications.

What to Expect During the Procedure

At your initial consultation, your Core Dental dentist will take digital X-rays or a panoramic radiograph to assess the position, angulation and root development of your wisdom teeth. This imaging helps determine whether the extraction can be performed as a straightforward chairside procedure or whether specialist referral is appropriate.

****Simple extractions**** - where the tooth has fully erupted and is accessible - are performed by our experienced general dentists under local anaesthesia at any Core Dental location. The procedure typically takes 20 to 40 minutes per tooth, and most patients return to normal activities within a few days.

****Complex or impacted wisdom teeth**** are referred to the specialist oral and maxillofacial surgeons at the Collins Street Specialist Centre (CSSC), located on Level 8 of the Manchester Unity Building in Melbourne CBD. These specialists manage surgical extractions involving bone removal, tooth sectioning, or proximity to the inferior alveolar nerve. For patients who are particularly anxious or

require multiple impacted teeth removed in one visit, general anaesthesia is available at Smile Solutions CBD within the same building.

Recovery After Wisdom Teeth Removal

Most patients experience some swelling, mild discomfort and limited jaw opening for the first three to five days following extraction. Your dentist will provide detailed aftercare instructions, which typically include:

- Applying ice packs to reduce swelling during the first 24 hours
- Eating soft foods and avoiding hot drinks for the first day or two
- Gentle saltwater rinses starting 24 hours after the procedure
- Avoiding smoking, spitting and using straws, which can dislodge the healing blood clot
- Taking prescribed pain relief and antibiotics as directed

Straightforward extractions generally heal within one to two weeks, while surgical removals may take slightly longer. Your dentist will schedule a follow-up appointment to monitor healing and remove any sutures if needed.

Cost Considerations

The cost of wisdom teeth removal varies depending on the complexity of the extraction, the number of teeth being removed, whether sedation or general anaesthesia is required, and whether the procedure is performed by a general dentist or specialist surgeon. At your consultation, your Core Dental dentist will provide a detailed treatment plan with transparent fees before any work begins. Patients with private health insurance may be able to claim a portion of the cost, and our team can assist with pre-approval estimates from your fund.

Book a Wisdom Teeth Assessment

If you are experiencing discomfort from your wisdom teeth or would like a routine assessment, contact your nearest Core Dental location. With 9 practices across Melbourne and specialist surgical support at the Collins Street Specialist Centre, we ensure every patient receives the right level of care for their situation.

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