

# Need *URGENT* Dental Care?

*Local dental providers offer NHS Urgent Dental Clinics across Cheshire and Merseyside, with urgent appointments for patients who need urgent treatment, advice and support on dental queries or referral to other services.*

*If you need help with an urgent dental problem, call our Helpline, available from 9am to 9.30pm every day, including weekends and Bank Holidays.*

**Please note:** this is an appointment only service - we do not operate a 'drop-in' service at any of our surgeries.

Dental Telephone:

**0161 476 9651** (LOCAL RATE) 

# *URGENT dental service in Cheshire and Merseyside: How it Works*

*Urgent dental care for patients in Cheshire and Merseyside is accessed via our Dental Helpline on 0161 476 9651 from 9am to 9.30pm every day, including weekends and Bank Holidays.*

*The service is provided according to strict clinical criteria, and when you call you'll be assessed by a member of our clinical team to make sure your problem comes under either:*

- Trauma - this is usually caused by a blow to the face, a lost filling is not classed as trauma*
- Swelling of the face*
- Bleeding - uncontrolled, such as after an extraction*
- Pain that can't be controlled by pain relief medicines*

*If you're given an appointment and your problem doesn't fit any of the above, you'll still have to pay the NHS fee but may receive advice and not treatment.*

*Clinic times vary, and at busy times or when your local clinic's not available you may be offered an appointment at an alternative location.*

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