



Chaperone Policy

The 247 dentist is committed to providing a safe, supportive environment for patients.

When examining or treating patients, the practitioner will aim to have someone else, preferably a GDC registered team member, present in the room. The primary purpose of having a chaperone is to assist in the unlikely event of a medical emergency.

A chaperone can also:

- Assist the practitioner
- Provide emotional comfort and reassurance to the patient
- Act as an interpreter
- Be a third party in case there is a necessity to provide evidence about the treatment or appointment

In exceptional circumstances, it may not be possible to have a chaperone present and in these cases the clinic will be cancelled.

This policy should be read in conjunction with:

- Working Without Chairside Support (M 297)
- Lone Working Policy (M 233-LWP)

