Patient advice and liaison service (PALS) If you have a compliment, complaint or concern please contact our PALS team on 020 7288 5551 or whh-tr.PALS@nhs.net

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Community Dental Service

Paediatric Dentistry Advice Clinic (PDAC)

A parent's guide



Why am I receiving this leaflet?

You have been given this leaflet because your child is going to be booked on the Paediatric Dentistry Advice Clinic (shortened to 'PDAC' in this leaflet). This leaflet tells you more about PDAC, and what it means for you and your child.

What is PDAC?

PDAC is a way for your Whittington dentist to discuss your child's dental needs with a specialist and/or consultant paediatric dentist. It is a secure online meeting between the Whittington dental service and a consultant from the Eastman Dental Hospital. PDAC is an alternative to referring your child into a hospital dental department for the same advice. PDAC is preferred over a hospital referral because it has shorter waiting times, and it saves you and your child travelling into the hospital.

Do I need to attend?

No, you do not need to attend this discussion. Your Whittington dentist will organise and attend the appointment, along with the specialist and consultant team.

What happens next?

After the appointment, you will receive a letter with a summary of the PDAC discussion. The advice may be written in 'dental speak', so your Whittington dentist will explain the letter to you at your next appointment, or over the phone. The advice is always tailored to your child, and no treatment will be carried out until you have given consent.

Who do I contact if I have questions or feedback?

If you have any further questions, please ask your Whittington dentist. The contact details for the Whittington dental service are included at the end of this leaflet.

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