



THE BLOCKLEY PARTNERSHIP

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Veneers

A veneer is a thin coating that is placed over the outer surface of a visible tooth that is generally used to improve its appearance, although occasionally to provide protection to the tooth surface.

Types of Veneers

Veneers can be **direct** or **indirect**. A direct veneer is built up over the tooth surface by hand. It is most commonly done using tooth coloured composite resin. An indirect veneer is made in a dental laboratory and is generally constructed from porcelain. Both types of veneer usually involve some reduction being made in the enamel surface of the tooth in order to create room for them.

Direct veneers are a more simple procedure, and are generally done in a single appointment. They are less expensive but do tend to deteriorate more quickly and sometimes do not get the high level of aesthetics that indirect veneers achieve.



They are however often a much more conservative approach allowing us to maintain more of the original tooth structure. Indirect veneers usually require two appointments. The first is when the preparation and impressions are done; the second is when the veneer is fitted.

Veneers can greatly improve the appearance of a person's teeth, making them more uniform, changing their colour and size. However they do generally require tooth preparation meaning that they are not a reversible procedure.

At the Blockley Partnership the dentists have much experience in veneering teeth and can provide expert advice on their usage.



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