

Dental X-Ray

Preparation

- Patients should wear loose comfortable clothes (no zippers, buttons, jewellery or metallic accessories).
- Patients should arrive 10-15 minutes early to complete paperwork
- Patients must bring their request/referral form on the day (or check that their request/referral is at the practice)
- Notify Lakes Radiology team of any allergies, existing medications and if there is a chance you could be pregnant

Procedure

- A radiographer / technician will invite the patient to the examination room
- The patient will be asked to bite on a small plastic mouthpiece attached to the machine
- The machine will rotate slowly around your head without actually making contact with your head
- The patient images are interpreted by a radiologist
- The results will be forwarded to the referring doctor/dentist
- Patients should contact their referring doctor/dentist for the result

Risks or Side Effects

- There are no known risks or after effects following the scan. Similar to x-rays, radiation levels are generally deemed too low to cause adverse health effects.