



Welcome!

Dear Patient,

Welcome to the orthodontic practice of Dr. Ghabrial. We are excited to introduce you to our practice. We hope this information will give you an idea of what to expect from your first orthodontic experience with us.

It is our practice's top priority to provide you with the highest quality of orthodontic care in a friendly, comfortable environment. We use the best technology, such as invisible braces, lingual braces, digital imaging and advanced computer graphics. To ensure that you receive the most effective care possible.

For your protection ultrasonic cleaner, heat, steam and chemical sterilization is used.

We recognize that every patient has different needs, and we pride ourselves in the courteous service we deliver to each patient who walks through our doors. Whether you're an adult, adolescent or child; our knowledgeable Doctor and staff are committed to helping you achieve the beautiful smile you deserve!

About Dr. Ghabrial

Dr Emad Ghabrial, specialized in orthodontics at the University of Pretoria in 1997 and in 2010 he obtained diploma in practice management from the same University. He is a graduate of Cairo University Faculty of Dentistry 1984; where he also received a Diploma in conservative dentistry. His professional affiliations include the South African society of orthodontics, American orthodontic association, World Federation of orthodontics and the American Association of Cleft Lip and Palate.



Dr Ghabrial currently has a practice in Queenswood and Silver Lakes. Dr. Ghabrial also serves as an orthodontic consultant for the orthognathic surgery and cleft palate clinics at the University of Pretoria. He is also very active in the dental community giving presentations, lectures and writing articles.

Brace yourself for an awesome experience.

Orthodontic treatment can improve your dental health, change your facial appearance for the better and it can also boost your self-esteem. It can provide you with the chance to participate in improving the way you look. Patients often feel more self-confident even before treatment is completed.

What is Orthodontics?

Orthodontics is a specialized branch of dentistry concerned with the development and management of irregularities and abnormalities of the teeth, jaw and face. We aim to produce a healthy, functional bite creating greater resistance to disease and improving personal appearance.

First visit

We are always excited about meeting our new patients. Upon arrival you will be welcomed and asked to complete a patient information form. We will take an x-ray (Panorex). Dr. Ghabrial will do an examination and recommend if and when orthodontic treatment will be necessary. This is your opportunity to get to know Doctor, ask questions and discuss your concerns.

If treatment is indicated:

Each individual's orthodontic problem is different and deserves personalized attention. Doctor will evaluate the patient and set up a unique treatment plan for you.

Treatment discussion

Discussing patient's questions and problems.

Possible alternatives.

Estimated treatment time.

You will receive:

1. Summary of your treatment plan.
2. Financial plan.
3. Motivation to the medical aid.



Patient Co-operation

To make your orthodontic treatment a success, we will have to work together as a team. It is very important to follow the instructions we give you. Keep your teeth clean, be on time, don't miss appointments and take care of your braces. The most sophisticated treatment plan or appliance therapy will fail to produce a satisfactory result if the patient does not co-operate.



Appointments

We ask that you keep your appointment punctually. If you cannot keep your appointment, please notify the office in good time. Unfortunately, our late afternoon appointments are limited and will be booked accordingly. Certain procedures can only be performed during school hours; absentee letters are available on request.

Retention

Retention is an important part of your treatment. After removing your braces an impression will be taken to make your retention appliance. It is designed to keep your teeth in the correct position. The cost of the retainer is not included into the cost plan and is payable in conjunction with the laboratory fee at the end of your treatment before we remove your braces.

Fees

The orthodontic treatment fees are determined by the severity of the case and the type of treatment necessary for correction. The number of visits does not correlate with the monthly instalments. You are quoted for treatment and if the treatment takes longer than the period quoted for extra fees could be charged. Sometimes the patient's treatment is of such a nature that the braces can be removed earlier than the estimated date. Please remember that the treatment must still be paid for in full, even though the braces have been removed. The orthodontic fee does not include work such as cleaning, infection control and laboratory costs. Private patients will have to pay the full amount before we start with treatment.



**Welcome to where smiles
become a work of art.**

