

1. PATHWAY ELIGIBILITY & CLINICAL SELECTION MATRIX

CARE PATHWAY 1 6 MONTHS

Caries Pathway

- **Age:** ≥ 16 years
- **Caries:** ≥ 5 teeth with active caries into dentine.
- **Perio Status:** No severe unstable perio.
- **Min Delivery:** Restore / extract ≥ 5 carious teeth + preventive package.

CARE PATHWAY 2 12 MONTHS

Caries + Unstable Perio

- **Age:** ≥ 16 years
- **Caries:** ≥ 5 teeth into dentine **AND**
- **Perio:** Generalised unstable (>30% teeth affected), PPD ≥5mm or 4mm+BOP (Stage II B+ to Stage IV C).
- **Min Delivery:** Restore ≥ 5 teeth + **Min 3 cycles perio care** (BSP S3).

CARE PATHWAY 3 6 MONTHS

Severe / Unstable Perio

- **Age:** ≥ 16 years
- **Perio:** **First diagnosis** of Stage III (A/B/C) OR Unstable Grade C (Stage I C*, II C, IV A/B/C), >30% teeth.
- **Min Delivery:** **Min 2 cycles perio care** (BSP S3).
- *Single-entry only! No re-entry.*

2. PATIENT CHARGES & COMBINED TREATMENT RULES

Patient Charge Rules

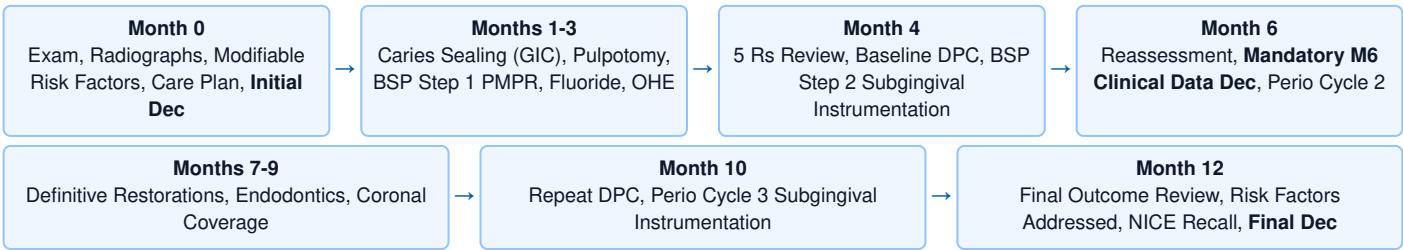
- **Single Band 2 Charge:** Covers entire CCP package (6 or 12 months) regardless of visit count or restorations.
- **Band 3 Co-Provision:** If dentures/crowns needed, total charge is capped at single **Band 3**. If Band 3 is done alongside/within 3 months of CCP, patient pays Band 3 - Band 2 difference.
- **CCP 3 with <5 Carious Teeth:** Restore caries under Band 2 first. Single Band 2 charge applies if CCP 3 starts within 3 months!

Allowed Concurrent Claims

- **Denture Modifications:** Relines, rebasing, additions claimable alongside CCP.
- **Denture Repairs:** Claimable concurrently.
- **Band 1 Urgent Care:** Allowed if unscheduled emergency care is needed during pathway.
- **Phased Care Ending:** Phased courses of treatment for this cohort **must cease by 31 Dec 2026**.

3. OPERATIONAL TIMELINES & CLINICAL WORKFLOW

Care Pathway 2 (12-Month Dual Pathway) Pathway Mapping



4. COMPASS DECLARATIONS & CLAIMING TIMELINE

Declaration	Deadline / Window	Key Operational Action & Requirements
Initial Declaration	Within 2 Months of Start	Submit on Compass/Portal upon signing Personalised Care Plan. Records baseline modifiable risk factors (tobacco, alcohol, sugar, fluoride, hygiene, xerostomia, stress, diabetes). Triggers Month 1 UDA credit.
Interim Declarations	Monthly (after 1st of month)	Submit monthly in numerical order. Confirms active care. Interim cut-offs: 9 Months (CCP 1 & 3), 15 Months (CCP 2). <i>Note: CCP 2 Month 6 interim requires clinical data submission.</i>
Suspension Declaration	Max 1 per pathway (max 3 mos)	Used if patient is away/ill > 1 mo. Pauses credits up to 3 mos. Submit within 2 mos of last dec. Cut-offs: M4 (CCP 1 & 3), M10 (CCP 2). Must resume via interim within 3 mos or auto-incompletes!
Incomplete Declaration	Within 2 Months of stopping	Submit if patient drops out / fails to attend. Terminates pathway and issues final partial credit.
Final Declaration	Within 2 Months of end date	Confirms service requirements met, risk factors addressed, outcome data, and perio referral status (Referred Level 2/3, Not Needed, or Service Unavailable). Triggers final UDA credit.

5. CLINICAL GUIDANCE: CARIES (5 Rs), VITAL PULP THERAPY & BSP S3

The 5 Rs of Caries

- **Review:** Monitor margins & stain.
- **Refurbish:** Polish rough/overhanging margins.
- **Reseal:** Seal marginal gaps with resin/ GIC.
- **Repair:** Replace localized failure only.
- **Replace:** Full replacement = *last resort*.
- **GIC Recharge:** High-fluoride GIC absorbs varnish fluoride.

Vital Pulp Therapy (VPT)

- **Preserve Pulpal Vitality:** Use in deep carious lesions near pulp.
- **Biomaterials:** Calcium silicate cements (MTA, Biodentine).
- **Modality:** Indirect Pulp Treatment (IPT), Cvek partial pulpotomy, coronal pulpotomy.
- **Obturation Rule:** Defer root canal obturation until disease risk is controlled!

BSP S3 Perio Steps

- **Step 1:** Risk factor control, OHE, PMPR, plaque retentive factors.
- **Step 2:** DPC & subgingival instrumentation for PPD ≥ 4mm under LA.
- **Step 3:** Reassess non-responders (≥6mm); Level 2/3 referral triage.
- **Step 4:** Supportive Periodontal Care (SPC) / maintenance.

6. SKILL MIX DELEGATION MATRIX

Dental Team Member	Key Clinical & Operational Pathway Responsibilities
Dentist	Exam, diagnosis, pathway selection, care plan creation, complex restorations, pulpotomy/endodontics, surgical extractions, high-fluoride prescribing.
Dental Therapist	Restorations in carious teeth, vital pulp therapy, BSP Steps 1–3 periodontal subgingival instrumentation, detailed pocket charting, interim reviews.
Dental Hygienist	Periodontal risk scoring, baseline/repeat Detailed Pocket Charting (DPC), BSP Steps 1–4 subgingival instrumentation, PMPR, preventive advice.
Extended Duty Nurse	Fluoride varnish application (under prescription), structured oral health education, dietary advice, smoking cessation coaching, remote follow-up calls.

QUICK CHECKLIST FOR CLINICAL SESSIONS

- ☒ Verify patient is ≥ 16 yrs & meets clinical entry criteria.
- ☒ Discuss & sign Personalised Care Plan + SMART goals.
- ☒ Submit Initial Declaration on Compass within 2 months.
- ☒ Deliver restorative care & delegate BSP Step 1 prevention.
- ☒ Submit monthly Interim Declarations after 1st of each month.
- ☒ Complete Month 6 Clinical Data submission for CCP 2.
- ☒ Re-evaluate risk factors at pathway completion.
- ☒ Submit Final Declaration on Compass within 2 months.