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Teeth straightening: stretch that smile

At McIntosh Dental there's more than one way to straighten teeth, and now with new technology you don't have to have a mouthful of metal to do it.

What is invisalign?

Invisalign treatment consists of a series of clear removable aligners that you change every two weeks. Aligners resemble thin, clear mouthguards and each one is custom-made for your teeth. As you replace each aligner, your teeth move gradually into their new position.

Can adults have their teeth straightened?

Of course! Although most teenagers seem to be having their teeth straightened these days, adults are perfectly suited to orthodontics. McIntosh Dental has successfully treated patient over 60 years of age with orthodontics.

It's no secret that having straight white teeth improves your smile and overall appearance and can lead to a boost in self-esteem.



THE ALMOST INVISIBLE ALIGNERS ARE COMFORTABLE TO WEAR AND EASY TO REMOVE

Will it work for me?

Invisalign works for most people and there are many different solutions that McIntosh Dental can offer to straighten your teeth. If for some reason they can't obtain the ideal result with Invisalign then cosmetic braces are a great alternative. Cosmetic braces are white in colour and are far less visible than traditional braces.

Will it fit my lifestyle?

If you want a virtually invisible option for straightening teeth then Invisalign is ideal for you. It fits seamlessly with your daily routine



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without any fuss or embarrassment. There are no metal wires or brackets, the aligners are comfortable to wear,

and they can be easily removed for eating, drinking and brushing. The aligners are clear so they allow you to straighten your teeth without feeling self-conscious and should you have an important meeting or event coming up, you can always remove the aligners for that short space of time.

How much does it cost?

Price is an important consideration with any dental treatment. Invisalign generally costs slightly more than conventional braces. However this is dependent on the complexity of the case. Generally speaking,

orthodontics costs \$3500 - \$4500 per year of treatment and treatment usually takes one to two years to complete. The great news is that McIntosh Dental offers various options for paying off orthodontic treatment including interest-free packages and terms up to five years.

Who has had Invisalign?

Vivian - 53, nurse: "I am absolutely, positively thrilled. The fact that I was done with it in less than a year, and really had no inconveniences whatsoever, makes me wonder why I even hesitated."

Gina - 31, analyst relations: "I would not have gone the regular braces route. I am in a customer-facing position in a high-tech industry, with a lot of young and hip people around me. To be in management, with a mouthful of braces in front of customers and prospects, just wasn't an option."

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