



Kayesh Patel

Dentist at Stony
Stratford Dental
Practice

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Kayesh Patel joined Rodericks as an associate in 2017, following his FD training year. He has since undergone further training in restorative dentistry and sedation and shares the group's passion for delivering high quality care to his patients.

Why dentistry?

I liked science at school and was keen to work on a self-employed basis if possible, like my parents. My final choice was between medicine and dentistry.

A rewarding profession

I see a lot of nervous patients and it's very rewarding to make them feel comfortable enough to attend an appointment and complete the treatment they need. I offer sedation services in Bedford and am hoping to introduce them to the Stony practice soon as well.

Quality patient care

Unfortunately, many people perceive their dentist in a very negative light. Among patients in their 30s and upwards, this is commonly the result of bad past experiences. In order to encourage attendance in the first place and then deliver the highest quality care, I believe it's important to change these perceptions. It's about putting a fresh face on dentistry. I therefore do things a bit differently. I do the Rodericks walk through, where I collect my patients from the waiting room. I also play music to give them a focus other than the drill. In addition, I think quality care involves giving patients all their options. Even if patients attend for NHS treatments, they should be aware of private solutions available to them. This gives them control and gets them more involved.

Support

Rodericks places no restrictions on what I can and can't do in the practice and I have clinical freedom to deliver the highest quality of patient care. The materials available are good too and I haven't had any problems acquiring any additional products I've requested as I've grown my private work. I can choose my own appointment times according to how long I need to provide quality dental treatment. I can also take longer for private appointments in order to improve my skills. This flexibility from Rodericks supports the type of treatment I choose to provide my patients, while reducing stress. Further support from Rodericks includes access to an array of training courses at discounted prices.

Advice

Invest in yourself. Whether that is training and skill development or high quality materials and technologies, this investment will enable you to progress while delivering the highest standard of care to your patients. I also think it's vital to find a mentor, so you can see how more experienced dentists interact with their patients. It also provides someone to go to for advice and guidance, giving you more confidence in difficult cases.

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