

Dr Gregory Tilley

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Collins Street Specialist Centre – Dr Gregory Tilley **Specialist Endodontist** BDSc (Melb) · LDS (Vic) · FRACDS · MRACDS (Endo)

Clinical expertise

Dr Gregory Tilley is one of Australia's most experienced specialist endodontists, with more than four decades of dedicated specialist practice behind him. His career has been devoted entirely to diagnosing and treating diseases of the dental pulp and the tissues surrounding the root — a focus that has shaped both his own clinical depth and the wider development of endodontic practice in Australia and internationally.

That depth of experience shows in the range of cases he manages day to day:

- Comprehensive assessment and management of complex endodontic presentations - Root canal therapy, including rotary instrumentation and advanced treatment techniques - Diagnosis and management of cracked teeth, a condition that can be difficult to identify and requires careful specialist evaluation - Endodontic retreatment of previously treated cases, including failing or complicated root canal situations - Management of dental trauma involving the pulp and surrounding structures - Advanced specialist endodontic care in cases where exceptional diagnostic skill is required

A significant proportion of Dr Tilley's patients arrive by referral from general dentists, often in situations where treatment has been attempted elsewhere or where a case has been identified as beyond the scope of general practice. His experience means he is well placed to assess, manage, and in many cases save teeth that might otherwise require extraction.

Training pathway

Dr Tilley completed his Bachelor of Dental Science (BDSc) and Licentiate in Dental Surgery (LDS) at the University of Melbourne, graduating in 1972. He practised as a general dentist until 1979, including a period in Tasmania, before committing exclusively to specialist endodontics.

He holds Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons (FRACDS) in both Endodontics and Restorative Dentistry, and Membership of the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons in Endodontics (MRACDS Endo). These credentials reflect the formal rigour of his specialist training and a sustained commitment to professional standards throughout his career.

Academic and teaching roles

Dr Tilley's contribution to endodontic education in Australia spans more than two decades of active involvement at the University of Melbourne and beyond:

- **Honorary Senior Fellow**, Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry & Health Sciences, University of Melbourne - More than twenty years supervising and mentoring specialist endodontists in training at the University of Melbourne, shaping the clinical development of practitioners now working across Australia
- Extensive national and international lecturing on endodontic principles, instrumentation, and technique
- Consultant to international instrument and materials development committees, contributing directly to the design and refinement of tools used by endodontists worldwide

For referring practitioners, that academic engagement matters: Dr Tilley's understanding of endodontic science extends beyond clinical application to the evidence base and the instruments that underpin contemporary practice.

Professional memberships and leadership

- **Past President**, Australian Dental Association (Victorian Branch) - Member, American Association of Endodontists (AAE) - Member, Australian Society of Endodontology (ASE) - Member, Australian & New Zealand Academy of Endodontists (ANZAE)

His tenure as Past President of the ADA (Victorian Branch) reflects a career-long engagement with the broader dental profession, not simply as a specialist practitioner but as someone invested in the standards and direction of dentistry in Australia.

At Collins Street Specialist Centre

Dr Tilley practises within the Endodontics service at Collins Street Specialist Centre, located at Level 8, Manchester Unity Building, 220 Collins Street, Melbourne CBD. He works alongside a team of four specialist endodontists and collaborates with colleagues across prosthodontics, periodontics, and oral surgery when patients present with more complex or multidisciplinary needs.

For patients, this means that even where multiple concerns are involved — a tooth requiring root canal treatment alongside restorative or periodontal considerations, for example — care can be coordinated within a single specialist centre, with clear communication between treating clinicians.

Dr Tilley remains a cornerstone of the specialist team at Collins Street Specialist Centre. Patients are welcome to attend without a referral. All specialist credentials are independently verifiable through the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) public register.