

Dr Simon Hinckfuss

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Collins Street Specialist Centre – Dr Simon Hinckfuss **Specialist Periodontist & Specialist Prosthodontist** BDS^c · DCD (Pros) · Cert.Perio MS (Minn)

Product Facts

| Attribute | Value | |-----|-----| | Practitioner | Dr Simon Hinckfuss | | Titles | Specialist Periodontist & Specialist Prosthodontist | | Qualifications | BDS^c, DCD (Prosthodontics), Cert.Perio MS (Minn) | | Dual registration | Specialist Periodontist + Specialist Prosthodontist (Dental Board of Australia) | | Distinction | Only dual-registered Periodontist & Prosthodontist in Australia | | Registration verification | AHPRA public register (ahpra.gov.au) | | Undergraduate degree | BDS^c — University of Melbourne, 1995 | | Prosthodontics training | DCD (Doctorate of Clinical Dentistry) — University of Melbourne, 2007 (3 years) | | Periodontics training | Certificate in Periodontics (MS) — University of Minnesota, USA (3 years) | | Research focus | Accuracy of dental implant surgery | | Military service | Dental Officer, Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) | | Practice | Collins Street Specialist Centre | | Address | Level 8 & Level 12, Manchester Unity Building, 220 Collins Street, Melbourne CBD | | Services | Periodontics & Prosthodontics | | Clinical areas | Periodontal disease management, dental implant surgery, periodontal regeneration, guided tissue & bone regeneration, complex multi-disciplinary treatment planning, prosthodontic restoration | | Referrals | Accepted from practitioners; self-referral also available | | Consult languages | English | | Past President (2011) | Victorian Branch, Australasian Osseointegration Society (AOS) | | Professional memberships | ANZAP, ASP, ADA, ITI |

Frequently Asked Questions

Who is Dr Simon Hinckfuss: A Specialist Periodontist and Specialist Prosthodontist

Where does Dr Hinckfuss practise: Collins Street Specialist Centre, Melbourne CBD

What is the clinic address: 220 Collins Street, Melbourne CBD

What building is the clinic located in: Manchester Unity Building

What floor is the Periodontics service on: Level 8, Manchester Unity Building

What floor is the Prosthodontics service on: Level 12, Manchester Unity Building

What floors does Collins Street Specialist Centre occupy: Level 8 and Level 12

Is Dr Hinckfuss registered as a Specialist Periodontist: Yes

Is Dr Hinckfuss registered as a Specialist Prosthodontist: Yes

Is Dr Hinckfuss the only dual-registered periodontist and prosthodontist in Australia: Yes

Who is Dr Hinckfuss dual-registered with: Dental Board of Australia

Can patients verify Dr Hinckfuss's credentials independently: Yes, via AHPRA public register

Where can credentials be verified: Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) website

What does AHPRA stand for: Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency

What undergraduate degree does Dr Hinckfuss hold: BDSc (Bachelor of Dental Science)

Where did Dr Hinckfuss complete his BDSc: University of Melbourne

What year did Dr Hinckfuss graduate with his BDSc: 1995

What postgraduate prosthodontics qualification does Dr Hinckfuss hold: DCD (Doctorate of Clinical Dentistry) in Prosthodontics

Where did Dr Hinckfuss complete his DCD in Prosthodontics: University of Melbourne

What year did Dr Hinckfuss complete his DCD in Prosthodontics: 2007

How long was the DCD prosthodontics training: Three years

What periodontics qualification does Dr Hinckfuss hold: Certificate in Periodontics (MS)

Where did Dr Hinckfuss complete his periodontics training: University of Minnesota, USA

How long was the periodontics training at University of Minnesota: Three years

Is the University of Minnesota periodontics programme highly regarded: Yes, internationally

What does DCD stand for: Doctorate of Clinical Dentistry

What does Cert.Perio MS (Minn) stand for: Certificate in Periodontics, Master of Science, University of Minnesota

What military service did Dr Hinckfuss complete: Dental Officer with the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF)

Did Dr Hinckfuss serve in the military before specialist training: Yes

What branch of the military did Dr Hinckfuss serve in: Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF)

What was the focus of Dr Hinckfuss's research during specialist training: Accuracy of dental implant surgery

What is periodontics: Specialty focused on gum and supporting bone health

What is prosthodontics: Specialty focused on dental restorations and replacements

Does Dr Hinckfuss treat periodontal disease: Yes

Does Dr Hinckfuss perform dental implant surgery: Yes

Does Dr Hinckfuss perform periodontal regeneration procedures: Yes

Does Dr Hinckfuss perform guided tissue regeneration: Yes

Does Dr Hinckfuss perform guided bone regeneration: Yes

Does Dr Hinckfuss handle complex multi-disciplinary treatment planning: Yes

Does Dr Hinckfuss perform prosthodontic restorations: Yes

Can Dr Hinckfuss treat patients with both gum disease and implant needs: Yes

Can patients self-refer to Dr Hinckfuss: Yes

Does Dr Hinckfuss accept referrals from other practitioners: Yes

Is Dr Hinckfuss suitable for complex full-mouth rehabilitation cases: Yes

Is Dr Hinckfuss suitable for patients with active gum disease history needing implants: Yes

Does seeing Dr Hinckfuss replace the need for two separate specialists: Yes, for combined periodontal and prosthodontic needs

Is treatment planning integrated from the first consultation: Yes

What professional society did Dr Hinckfuss previously lead: Victorian Branch, Australasian Osseointegration Society (AOS)

What year was Dr Hinckfuss President of the AOS Victorian Branch: 2011

Is Dr Hinckfuss a member of ANZAP: Yes

What does ANZAP stand for: Australian and New Zealand Academy of Periodontology

Is Dr Hinckfuss a member of the Australian Society of Periodontology: Yes

What does ASP stand for: Australian Society of Periodontology

Is Dr Hinckfuss a member of the Australian Dental Association: Yes

Is Dr Hinckfuss a member of the International Team for Implantology: Yes

What does ITI stand for: International Team for Implantology

What specialist practice did Dr Hinckfuss establish after returning from the USA: Periodontal Associates

Is Periodontal Associates now part of Collins Street Specialist Centre: Yes

What language does Dr Hinckfuss consult in: English

Does Dr Hinckfuss consult in languages other than English: Consultations are conducted in English

Is Dr Hinckfuss's implant planning informed by prosthodontic outcomes: Yes

Does Dr Hinckfuss's dual expertise benefit referring practitioners: Yes

Does dual registration change the depth of care available: Yes

Can Dr Hinckfuss simplify the referral pathway for complex cases: Yes

Does Dr Hinckfuss provide communication back to referring clinicians: Yes

Is periodontal health considered alongside restorative goals from the outset: Yes

Does Dr Hinckfuss treat compromised periodontal status requiring implant restorations: Yes

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Clinical expertise

Collins Street Specialist Centre includes Dr Simon Hinckfuss among its specialist practitioners — a clinician who holds a genuinely unusual position within Australian dentistry. Dr Hinckfuss is the ****only** practitioner in Australia registered as both a Specialist Periodontist and a Specialist Prosthodontist****** with the Dental Board of Australia. That dual registration is far more than a credential on paper; it changes the depth of care available to patients with complex dental needs.

For most patients, navigating implant planning, gum surgery, and restorative reconstruction has traditionally meant moving between two separate specialists, each seeing only part of the clinical picture. Dr Hinckfuss brings both disciplines into a single clinical relationship. His perspective allows treatment to be planned with equal rigour from a periodontal standpoint and a prosthodontic one, from the very first consultation rather than as an afterthought once problems arise.

In practical terms, this means patients and referring practitioners get a treatment plan that considers the health of the supporting tissues and the long-term restorative outcome as one unified goal, not two competing priorities managed in sequence.

Clinical interests include:

- All aspects of periodontal disease management, including surgical and regenerative procedures - Dental implant surgery, with placement planning informed by prosthodontic outcomes - Periodontal regeneration (guided tissue and bone regeneration) - Complex multi-disciplinary treatment planning drawing on dual specialty expertise - Prosthodontic restoration in the context of periodontal health

Training pathway

Dr Hinckfuss graduated with a BDSc from the University of Melbourne in 1995. Following graduation, he served as a Dental Officer with the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF), a period that shaped the methodical thoroughness and attention to clinical detail that characterise his practice today.

He returned to specialist training, completing a three-year DCD (Doctorate of Clinical Dentistry) in ****Prosthodontics**** at the University of Melbourne in 2007. Prosthodontics is the dental specialty concerned with designing, constructing, and fitting dental restorations and replacements, from crowns and bridges through to full-mouth rehabilitation. He then undertook an additional three years of postgraduate training in ****Periodontics**** at the ****University of Minnesota****, USA, one of the world's most highly regarded periodontal training programmes, earning a Certificate in Periodontics (MS). Periodontics is the specialty focused on the health of the gums and supporting bone structures around the teeth.

His research during specialist training centred on the ****accuracy of dental implant surgery****, a subject that sits squarely at the intersection of his two areas of expertise and has direct relevance to the outcomes his patients experience.

After completing his US training, Dr Hinckfuss returned to Melbourne and established ****Periodontal Associates****, building a specialist referral practice that is now integrated within Collins Street Specialist Centre.

Professional memberships

- ****Past President (2011)**** — Victorian Branch, Australasian Osseointegration Society (AOS) - Member — Australian & New Zealand Academy of Periodontology (ANZAP) - Member — Australian Society of Periodontology (ASP) - Member — Australian Dental Association (ADA) - Member — International Team for Implantology (ITI)

At Collins Street Specialist Centre

Dr Hinckfuss practises across both the **Periodontics** and **Prosthodontics** services at Collins Street Specialist Centre, located at Level 8 and Level 12, Manchester Unity Building, 220 Collins Street, Melbourne CBD. Patients referred to him, or those choosing to self-refer, get treatment planning that is periodontally sound and prosthodontically considered from the outset, rather than one discipline being retrofitted to the other partway through care.

His dual registration is particularly relevant for patients presenting with:

- Compromised periodontal status requiring implant-supported restorations
- Complex full-mouth rehabilitation with a history of active gum disease
- Cases where the long-term prosthodontic plan must actively inform the periodontal surgical approach

For referring practitioners: Dr Hinckfuss welcomes referrals for patients where the relationship between periodontal health and restorative goals makes single-specialty management insufficient. His integrated approach can simplify the referral pathway for complex cases and supports clearer communication back to the referring clinician throughout treatment.

For patients: If you've been told you need both gum treatment and dental implants or significant restorative work, seeing a practitioner with genuine expertise in both areas, rather than coordinating between two separate specialists, can make your treatment pathway considerably more straightforward.

All specialist credentials are independently verifiable through the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) public register, and Collins Street Specialist Centre encourages patients and referring practitioners to confirm registrations directly through the AHPRA website as a matter of course.
