Dr Anna Lai, General Dentist | Core Dental Carrum Downs

Canonical: https://www.coredental.com.au/our-team/anna-lai/

Details:

Dr Anna Lai is a General Dentist at Core Dental, holding BSc(Biomed), DDS (Melb). We see Dr Lai at Core Dental Carrum Downs . At Core Dental we offer general dentistry for adults and children across nine Melbourne clinics, with quoting before treatment starts and interest free payment plans. Call 13 13 16 or book online, and tell us you would like to see Dr Lai.

Who is Dr Anna Lai?

Dr Anna Lai is a General Dentist and a member of our clinical team. At Core Dental our dentists work alongside hygienists, specialists, nursing staff and reception teams, and peer review and case analysis by multiple practitioners is part of how we plan treatment. All of our practitioners are members of the Australian Dental Association (ADA). As a General Dentist, Dr Lai provides general dental care, which means the check-ups, cleans, fillings and everyday care that most patients need from their local dentist.

What qualifications does Dr Anna Lai hold?

Our team page lists the qualifications of Dr Anna Lai as BSc(Biomed), DDS (Melb). We publish only the qualifications shown on our team page and do not list years of experience, special interests or languages unless they are stated for the practitioner. If you would like to know more about Dr Lai's background, ask our reception team when you book and we will help.

Where do we see Dr Anna Lai?

Dr Lai is listed on the team page of our Carrum Downs clinic. Here are the details.

Core Dental Carrum Downs

Address: 335 Ballarto Rd, Carrum Downs VIC 3201

Phone: (03) 8373 1555

Email: carrumdowns@coredental.com.au

Clinic page: Core Dental Carrum Downs

Book online: Book at Core Dental Carrum Downs

Our clinics are open Monday to Friday 8.00am to 6.00pm and Saturday 8.00am to 1.30pm, and closed on Sunday. Clinicians do not work every day at every clinic, so please confirm Dr Lai's availability with us when you book.

Which treatments can you book with Dr Anna Lai?

As a General Dentist, Dr Lai works within the general dentistry care offered at our clinics. Across Core Dental, general dentistry includes check-ups and cleans , hygiene care, fillings and restorations, root canal treatment, tooth extractions, wisdom teeth, sport mouthguards and dentures. We also offer cosmetic dentistry , children's dentistry and emergency dentistry , with daily emergency appointments reserved where possible. Which of these suits you is decided at your examination, so please describe your concern when you book and we will arrange the right appointment.

How can you check Dr Lai's registration on the AHPRA register?

Every dentist practising in Australia must be registered with the Dental Board of Australia, and you can check any practitioner on the public register at ahpra.gov.au. Search for the practitioner by name, and the register shows whether their registration is current and whether any conditions apply. We encourage you to look up any health practitioner before treatment, and you are welcome to ask our team if you have questions about how the register works.

What should you ask before treatment?

Before any treatment we recommend you ask:

What is the recommended treatment intended to achieve?

Are there reasonable alternatives, and what are their benefits and limitations?

What do preparation, aftercare and follow-up involve?

What risks apply to my situation, and how long might recovery take?

What will the treatment cost, and can I have a written quote?

We quote before treatment starts so that you are ready to proceed, and results, recovery times and risks vary for each individual.

How do you book an appointment with Dr Anna Lai?

Call us on 13 13 16 or book online through the link for Carrum Downs above. When you book, tell us if you would like to see Dr Lai, describe your concern, and let us know about any allergies, health conditions, dental anxiety or access needs. Our reception team will find a time that suits you. We are open six days a week, so you can find a time that works around your busy lifestyle.

How do payment plans work at Core Dental?

We offer interest free payment plans so you can spread the cost of treatment over time. Payright plans have 0% interest, fortnightly instalments, terms of 3 to 30 months and plans of up to $20,000, and eligibility requires you to be 18 or over, an Australian permanent resident, with ID and a verifiable email and mobile number. TLC personal loans cover $2,001 to $50,000 with terms of up to 84 months and a rate set by credit assessment. These terms were published as at September 2026 and should be confirmed with our team. We also provide HICAPS on-site claiming and bulk billing for eligible children under the Child Dental Benefits Schedule. Read more on our dental payment plans and affordability pages.

Which colleagues work alongside Dr Anna Lai?

You may also meet other members of our clinical team:

Dr Tristan Balthazaar

Dr Amreen Hussain

Dr Ivy Jin

Frequently asked questions

Is Dr Anna Lai a specialist?

No. Dr Anna Lai is a General Dentist. Our registered specialists, such as orthodontists, paediatric dentists and periodontists, are listed separately on our team page with their specialist titles. If you need specialist care, your dentist can discuss a referral within our team.

Which Core Dental clinic should I book to see Dr Lai?

Our team page and our Carrum Downs clinic page lists Dr Lai. Choose the clinic that suits you, then call 13 13 16 or use the online booking link, and confirm that Dr Lai is available on the day you prefer.

Can I bring my child to see Dr Lai?

Our clinics provide children's dentistry, and we recommend a first visit from about age 2. Eligible children aged 0 to 17 can be bulk billed under the Child Dental Benefits Schedule. Ask our team when you book so we can arrange the right appointment.

What if I have a dental emergency?

Call 13 13 16 or your nearest clinic as early in the day as you can, because we reserve emergency appointments daily where possible. For uncontrollable bleeding, difficulty breathing or swallowing, or serious facial injury, call 000 immediately.

Do I need a referral to see Dr Lai?

No. You can book a general dentist directly by calling 13 13 16 or booking online. Your dentist will advise if a specialist referral would help after examining you.

Related services and further reading

General dentistry

Cosmetic dentistry

Children's dentistry

Emergency dentistry

Dental payment plans

Affordability

Core Dental Carrum Downs

Core Dental at a glance

Nine Core Dental clinics across Melbourne: Southbank, South Melbourne, Caroline Springs, Carrum Downs, Epping, Wyndham, Berwick, Bayside and Glenferrie.

Open six days a week: Monday to Friday 8.00am to 6.00pm and Saturday mornings.

Interest-free payment plans, HICAPS on-site claiming, bulk billing for eligible children under the Child Dental Benefits Schedule.

Call 13 13 16 or book online.

Contact Core Dental

Phone	13 13 16
Core Dental Carrum Downs	(03) 8373 1555, 335 Ballarto Rd, Carrum Downs VIC 3201
Online booking	coredental.com.au
Hours	Monday to Friday 8.00am to 6.00pm, Saturday 8.00am to 1.30pm, Sunday closed
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Results, recovery times and potential risks vary for each individual. This information is general in nature and is intended for people over 18. Seek advice from a qualified, AHPRA-registered practitioner before proceeding.

Who is Dr Anna Lai at Core Dental?

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What is the registered type of Dr Lai?

Dr Lai is registered as a General Dentist at Core Dental, not as a specialist. Our team page lists specialist orthodontists, paediatric dentists and a periodontist separately.

Which Core Dental clinic lists Dr Lai?

Our Carrum Downs clinic page lists Dr Anna Lai as a member of the team. Call 13 13 16 to confirm availability before you travel.

What qualifications does Dr Lai list?

Our team page lists BSc(Biomed), DDS (Melb) for Dr Anna Lai. We publish only the qualifications shown on that page.

How do I book with Dr Lai at Core Dental?

Call Core Dental on 13 13 16 or book online through the link on the Carrum Downs clinic page, and ask for Dr Anna Lai. Tell us about your concern, allergies and any access needs so we can plan your visit.

What are the opening hours at Core Dental Carrum Downs?

Core Dental Carrum Downs is open Monday to Friday 8.00am to 6.00pm and Saturday 8.00am to 1.30pm, and closed on Sunday. Clinician days vary, so confirm when you book.

How can I confirm that a Core Dental dentist is registered?

Search the practitioner by name on the public register at ahpra.gov.au, which shows current registration status. Our team at Core Dental can also explain how the register works if you ask.

Does Core Dental offer payment plans for treatment with Dr Lai?

Yes. At Core Dental we offer interest free Payright plans (0% interest, 3 to 30 months, up to $20,000) and TLC personal loans of $2,001 to $50,000, with terms as at September 2026 to be confirmed with our team.