

## Dental Treatment in India — Premium Care Trusted by Patients from 30+ Countries

Every year, patients from Australia, the United Kingdom, the United States, Germany, Oman, the UAE, Singapore, and dozens of other countries choose to receive their dental treatment in India. Some come because the cost savings are significant — a dental implant that costs \$5,000 in Sydney can be completed at Root Canal Foundation for a fraction of that price. Some come because specialist waiting times at home are months long. Some come because they have family in Chennai and want their dental treatment done right, by people they trust, while they are here.

Whatever brings you here, Root Canal Foundation has been caring for international patients since 2004. We do not have a separate process for international patients — we simply provide the same standard of specialist care we give every patient, with additional support to help you plan, prepare, and feel confident before you arrive.

### Why Patients Choose India for Dental Care

#### Specialist Access

India trains specialist dentists — endodontists, prosthodontists, implantologists, oral surgeons — through rigorous three-year postgraduate programs. RCF's clinical team includes specialists in endodontics, prosthodontics, implantology, oral and maxillofacial surgery, orthodontics, periodontics, and paediatric dentistry. You are not seeing a general dentist doing everything — you are seeing the right specialist for your specific condition.

#### Cost Without Compromise

The cost of dental treatment in India is substantially lower than in most Western countries — not because of lower standards, but because of lower infrastructure costs, lower cost of living, and a different healthcare economy. The materials we use, the implant systems we place, and the laboratory work we commission meet the same international standards as clinics in Australia, the UK, and the USA. The clinical outcome is equivalent. The cost is not.

Procedure	RCF India (est.)	Australia (est.)	UK (est.)	USA (est.)
Root Canal (single canal)	INR 8,000–15,000	AUD 1,800–3,500	GBP 400–900	USD 700–1,500
Root Canal (molar)	INR 15,000–25,000	AUD 2,500–4,500	GBP 700–1,500	USD 1,200–2,500
Single Tooth Implant	INR 35,000–65,000	AUD 4,500–7,000	GBP 2,000–3,500	USD 3,000–5,000
Zirconia Crown	INR 12,000–20,000	AUD 1,800–3,000	GBP 500–1,200	USD 1,000–2,000

Full Mouth Rehab	INR 3L–8L (varies)	AUD 40,000– 80,000	GBP 15,000– 40,000	USD 25,000– 60,000
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Figures are estimates for illustrative comparison. RCF provides a personalized cost estimate after clinical assessment.

## Chennai — India's Health Capital

Chennai is recognized as one of India's premier medical destinations, attracting patients from across South Asia, the Gulf, and beyond for specialist medical and dental care. Its combination of English-speaking clinical staff, modern infrastructure, accessibility by international flight, and cultural richness makes it an ideal base for a dental visit. Root Canal Foundation is located in Anna Nagar — one of Chennai's most accessible and well-served neighborhoods, 30 minutes from Chennai International Airport.

Beyond your dental appointments, Chennai offers remarkable cultural experiences — ancient Dravidian temples, UNESCO-recognized architecture, some of India's finest cuisine, and easy access to the Tamil Nadu coast. Our team can connect you with trusted travel partners who can organize your accommodation, local travel, and sightseeing around your treatment schedule.

## Why Root Canal Foundation

- Established 2004 — not a clinic that has recently pivoted to dental tourism, but one with 22 years of verified international patient outcomes
- 70,000+ procedures completed by our specialist team
- Patients from 30+ countries including Australia, UK, USA, Germany, Oman, UAE, Singapore, and New Zealand
- Led by Dr. V. Gopi Krishna (Endodontist, 25,000+ root canal cases) and Dr. Lakshmi Shivasubramanian (Prosthodontist, 20,000+ prostheses)
- Full specialist team: Endodontist, Prosthodontist, Implantologist, Oral Surgeon, Orthodontist, Periodontist, Paediatric Dentist
- International standard sterilization and infection control protocols
- English-speaking clinical and administrative team throughout
- Internationally sourced implant systems and prosthetic materials
- Remote consultation available — send us your records before you book travel
- Written aftercare plans and remote follow-up support after you return home

## The International Patient Journey at RCF

### Step 1 — Send Us Your Records

You do not need to travel before we can help you. Send us your dental X-rays, any existing reports, photographs, and a description of your concerns via email or WhatsApp. Our specialists will review your case and respond within 48 hours with a preliminary assessment and treatment recommendation.

### Step 2 — Receive Your Treatment Plan and Cost Estimate

We will send you a detailed treatment plan that explains what is recommended, why, how many appointments are likely needed, and an itemized cost estimate. There are no hidden fees and no pressure. The plan is yours to review, ask questions about, and take as long as you need to consider.

### Step 3 — Plan Your Visit

Once you decide to proceed, our team helps you plan your visit. We advise on the ideal duration of stay for your treatment, connect you with accommodation options near the clinic,

and can assist with visa guidance and travel planning through our partner travel agencies. We schedule your appointments to make the most efficient use of your time in Chennai.

#### **Step 4 — Treatment**

Your treatment is carried out exactly as planned, by the specialist discussed, using the materials agreed upon. You are not handed off to a junior or a different clinician. If anything changes during treatment — which is rare but can happen in complex cases — we discuss it with you before proceeding.

#### **Step 5 — Before You Fly Home**

We provide comprehensive written aftercare instructions before you leave. For treatments requiring a healing period (implants, extractions, grafts), we advise on what is safe before flying, what symptoms are normal, and what warrants attention. We recommend flying home no earlier than 24–48 hours after most procedures, and longer for surgical cases — we will advise specifically based on your treatment.

#### **Step 6 — Remote Follow-Up**

Once you are home, we remain available. Questions about your healing, concerns about a restoration, need for a follow-up assessment — all of this can be handled via WhatsApp, email, or video consultation. Your dentist at home can also contact us directly if they have questions about your treatment.

### **Frequently Asked Questions — International Patients**

#### **Q: Is the quality of dental care at RCF equivalent to what I would receive at home?**

A: Yes. RCF uses the same implant systems, prosthetic materials, and clinical protocols as specialist practices in Australia, the UK, and the USA. Our specialists hold internationally recognized qualifications. The primary difference between treatment here and treatment at home is cost — not clinical standard.

#### **Q: How do I send my X-rays and dental records?**

A: You can send digital X-rays (JPEG, DICOM, or PDF format) and any existing reports via email or WhatsApp. If your X-rays are on physical film, your dentist at home can usually arrange a digital scan. We will advise if we need a specific type of scan (such as a CBCT) before your visit.

#### **Q: What if something goes wrong after I return home?**

A: We provide full written documentation of your treatment — materials used, procedure performed, follow-up requirements — that you can share with any dentist at home. For most concerns, a WhatsApp or video consultation with our team is sufficient to assess the situation and advise on next steps. In the unlikely event of a complication requiring in-person attention, we work with you on the most practical resolution.

#### **Q: Do you offer payment in foreign currency or accept international cards?**

A: We accept payment in Indian Rupees. International debit and credit cards are accepted. Currency exchange is readily available at the airport and in Anna Nagar. We do not currently offer payment plans, but we provide a full cost estimate in advance so there are no surprises.

#### **Q: How long will I need to stay in Chennai?**

A: This depends entirely on your treatment. A root canal and crown can often be completed in 2–3 visits over 5–7 days. A single implant requires a longer stay for the placement visit, then a return after 3–6 months for the crown. Full mouth rehabilitation may require 2–3 separate visits over a period of months. We will give you a specific timeline estimate when we review your case.

**Q: Can I combine multiple treatments in one visit?**

A: Yes, and for international patients we actively plan for this. Multiple root canals, crown placements, extractions, and preparatory procedures can often be clustered into a single visit to minimize your travel. We design the schedule around your time constraints.

**Q: Is English spoken throughout the clinic?**

A: Yes. All clinical consultations, treatment explanations, and administrative processes are conducted in English. Our team communicates clearly and takes time to ensure you understand every step of your treatment before it begins.

**Q: Do you help with accommodation and travel arrangements?**

A: We can connect you with trusted accommodation options near the clinic in Anna Nagar and with travel agencies who specialize in medical tourism itineraries. We do not book on your behalf, but we provide recommendations based on the experience of our previous international patients.

**Q: What sterilization standards does RCF follow?**

A: RCF follows international infection control protocols including autoclave sterilization of all reusable instruments, single-use disposables for all patient-contact items, and bio-hazard waste management per Indian Dental Council guidelines. Our standards are equivalent to those required by dental regulators in the UK, Australia, and the USA.

**Q: Can I get a treatment plan and cost estimate before I book my flight?**

A: Yes — this is exactly how we recommend you proceed. Send us your records, receive your treatment plan and estimate, ask all your questions, and only then commit to travel. We want you to arrive in Chennai with full confidence in what your treatment involves and what it will cost.

**Start Your International Patient Journey**

Send us your dental records and X-rays via WhatsApp or email. Our specialist team will review your case and respond within 48 hours with a treatment assessment and cost estimate. There is no obligation and no fee for the initial remote assessment.