



Excellence in dental practice design

Dental Excellence, located in the Perth suburb of Mount Hawthorn, is owned and operated by Dr Spiro Agapitos. Dr Agapitos joins a growing list of dentists and dental specialists around Australia that have engaged Medifit for multiple practices. Medifit completed the fitout of Dr Agapitos's original practice in 2003 and the project was covered in the September/October 2003 edition of this magazine. A further upgrade was undertaken in 2016 as Spiro had outgrown the original practice and this project was again featured in May/June 2017

The original Dental Excellence was located in a narrow tenancy covering just 76m². Through careful planning, the space was designed to feel much larger than its relatively tiny footprint and the patient base grew steadily over many years.

Eventually, Spiro outgrew the upgraded space and when a larger building became available nearby, he seized the opportunity to re-establish Dental Excellence in a space worthy of his success.

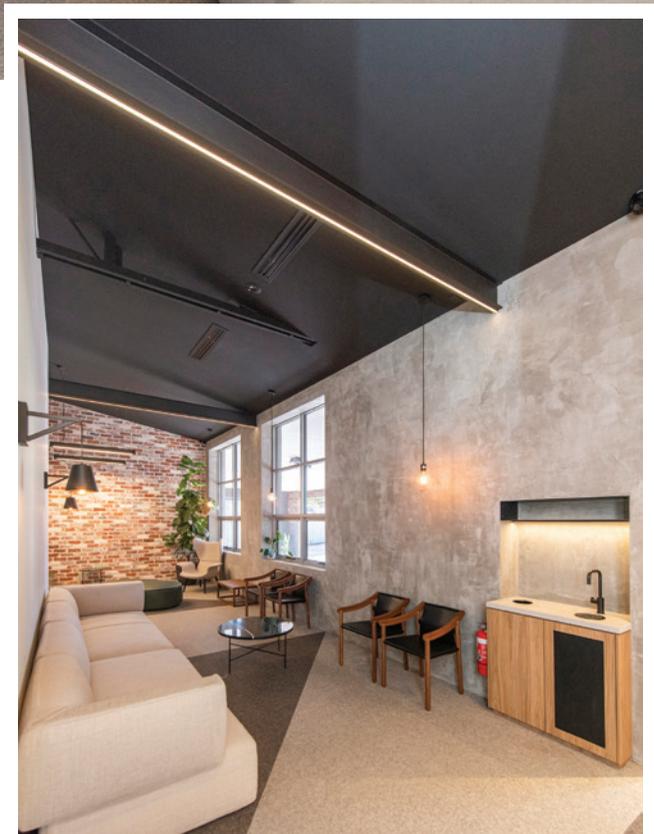
Dental Excellence had built strong links in the community through dedicated involvement with local sporting clubs and organisations. The new premises were formerly a community hall, centrally located in the community and well-known

to many locals. Importantly, the new premises offered more than four times his original practice space.

With a floor area of 316m², the new Dental Excellence is now a 7-chair practice with a range of treatment rooms, a generous waiting and reception area, centrally located sterilisation room and dental laboratory and several offices for senior staff. The practice also contains a staff meeting and training room and recovery rooms for patients undergoing dental procedures.

As his third practice setup started to become a reality, Spiro was clear on what he wanted and needed from the new space.





Mount Hawthorn, a well-established suburb just 4km from Perth's CBD, has always been a desirable area to live and the local population is a mix of professionals and families. An expanding clientele with increased demand for cosmetic dental treatments in addition to general dentistry meant that the new practice needed to evoke a higher-end feel.

Gone is the traditional community hall feel, replaced by a contemporary look that would not be out of place in a major world city like New York or London.

The design aesthetic is modern, loft-inspired with architectural dado concrete finishes and face brick providing a trendy warehouse feel. This is carried through with details including aged iron I-beams at the base of the reception counter and exposed beams throughout which lend the practice an industrial feel. Purpose-built bespoke light fittings created by the Medifit construction/manufacturing team further express the industrial look.

From the outside, an impressive steel patio with angular panels for signage gives the building a striking streetscape. The patio is anchored to a nib wall of raw brick, foreshadowing the brick walls inside while concrete dado finishes to the front façade of the building echo the interior finishes.

Entering the practice, the modern lines and clean construction detail draw you in and pendant lights throughout reception lead patients to the angled reception counter.





