

Perth Endodontics moves to new home

S pecialist Endodontist Mark Hansen has finally made a move. After looking at many premises to expand and house his new practice, he finally found the ideal location close.

"I finished my undergraduate degree at The University of Western Australia in 1985 and worked in several general practices before deciding to commence my Masters in Endodontics. After graduating, I set up my own endodontic practice in West Perth in 1994 and another endodontist joined me in 1996. Over the last few years, I'd been exploring various opportunities to physically expand the practice to keep pace with our continued growth.

"I first met Sam Koranis from Medifit at the International Endo Congress in Brisbane in 2002. I listened quietly in the background while he showed several others examples of his work. I was impressed by



his portfolio, but also by the way he showed that the designs were individual, catering for each clients wants, needs and desires.

"I was not ready to move at that time, but knew it would be an eventuality. We maintained contact over the years until I started seriously looking at different properties. Sam was able to come with me and do a quick précis of some of the sites to advise their suitability. None of the original ones were entirely suitable, so we left it at that and stayed in contact.

"Then, coincidentally, Sam rang me with information regarding a development that he thought would suit me at the very same time I was independently investigating the same development.

"My wife, Diane and I then sat down with Sam at an initial meeting to brainstorm our ideas. We then met up with Steve, our Medifit designer, over a number



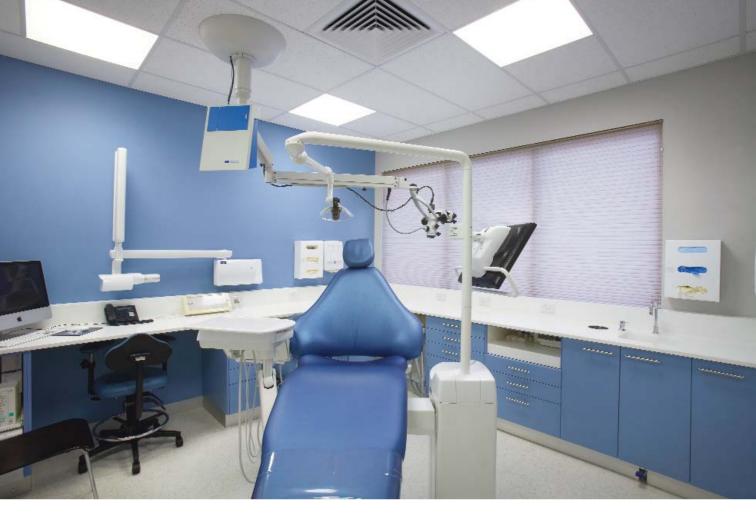


of meetings to bring the ideas to fruition. The plans were then transformed into 3-D renderings which gave us a really good feel for how the project would appear before any works even started!"

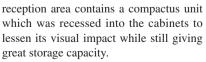
The new development chosen for the practice is opposite St John of God Hospital on Cambridge Street, Wembley. Perth Endodontics' rooms are perfect for their intended use and will yield high capital growth in the immediate and long term future due to the scarcity of land available in the inner western suburbs of the city and in close proximity to a hospital.

The entrance to the practice gives passing foot traffic a vista into the practice and an inviting view. The use of elliptical graphics and wallpaper adds softness to the overall image and mimics the gentle curves at the front half of the tenancy. A large









Soft powder blue tones are offset with the rich timber grains and the subtle detail of pale decorative wallpaper throughout. The decorative ellipses are mimicked on the vinyl frosting of the opposing walls, giving the illusion of a complete shape to the corridor.



The gentle flowing lines of the corridor ease clients from the waiting area through to the rear of the tenancy where the surgeries are located. The corridor houses additional full height storage units as part of the walls.

Access to the consult room as well as the toilet complete with shower recess, sits hidden behind a refresh area for clients. Two rooms get the benefit of the natural light and view while adjoining office spaces share the same. All the entry walls and doors to the rooms were done in full height glass to give a clean look that is less imposing and lets the natural light filter into the narrowest part of the tenancy.

The rooms themselves feature Corian flush mount sinks and custom detailed cabinets to house the equipment. The pale



Dr Mark Hansen
Specialist Endodontics
Wembley, Perth, Western Australia
175 square metres
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Medifit
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Planmeca Compact s side delivery
Mocom Millenium B+
Statim 2000 Miele Thermal Disinfector
Planmeca Intra x-ray units
Moeller-Wedel Denta
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Cattani TurboSmart
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blue cabinets are matched with feature wall painting in the rooms.

The sterilisation area features custom glass fronted overhead cupboards and a fully formed stainless steel benchtop and upstand allowing ease of cleaning and minimal mess.

The project itself was designed during the construction of the multi-storey building which allowed Medifit to work in with the

builder to ensure that plumbing and electrical requirements could be accommodated with minimal impact on the tenancy after handover.

"Construction was undertaken with Mark Evangelisti as site manager," Dr Hansen said. "My dealings with Mark had given me great faith, so I was able to leave him to get on with the work with minimal interference from me, which expedited the whole



works program.

"Diane and I had been through the process of demolishing our old house and rebuilding on the same block not long before, so we were fairly intimate what the climate of building works and construction is like in Perth at present - in a word, difficult. Getting us finished by our required date was hard work, however Mark was able to get us to completion date on time. We had only a few hiccups along the way because of various suppliers, and even a couple of significant issues right at the last minute. Unfazed, Mark thought out and sought solutions rapidly and effectively.

"Our result has been great, and we have really enjoyed our experience with Medifit and would highly recommend them to anyone thinking of undertaking a dental fitout."