

SMILES ALL ROUND

Top specialist dental clinic celebrates 10th anniversary.

EXACTLY 10 years ago a unique new purpose-built clinic was established in Scotland which would help revolutionise specialist and advanced dental care.

Hundreds of dentists across the country would choose to refer their patients there and thousands of patients would find themselves part of a new “family” as they underwent treatment that would often change their lives.

Blackhills Specialist Dental Clinic at Aberuthven in Perthshire was to become a byword for the very best in specialist dental care with top multi-disciplinary specialists, state-of-the-art equipment and advanced techniques, knowledge and skills combining in a one-stop centre designed to care for the nation’s dental health.

As he looks back on the past decade, Blackhills’ co-founder, specialist oral surgeon and clinical director, Paul Stone reflects on a job well done.

There were smiles all round as Blackhills Specialist Dental Clinic celebrated a decade at the forefront of specialist dental care.

The multi-award-winning clinic opened in February 2007 as Scotland’s only purpose-built all-specialist clinic and remains one of the leading providers of specialist dental care in the country.

The clinic, which treats patients referred by dentists from all over Scotland, has grown from an initial staff of two specialist dentists and two support staff to a hand-picked team of 21 – including seven specialist dentists.

Patient numbers at the Perthshire centre have grown from just a handful in the first week to over 8,000, with over 800 dentists opting to refer patients there.

Paul said he was “extremely proud” of the advances the business had made and in the team that has helped deliver something “unique” in the world of dental treatment.

“Working previously within the hospital



The Blackhills team celebrate a decade of success.

and university environments, I saw that many disciplines within specialist dental care were carried out in isolation,” he explained. “It made perfect sense to me to bring together those different elements of care and establish a centre of excellence.

“The multi-disciplinary team we have at Blackhills ensures patients requiring complex or advanced treatment can be seen by all specialists at the one centre,” he said.

“I’m extremely pleased with how

“We can now deliver results we could only dream of a decade ago.”

Blackhills has established itself as the trusted referral centre for so many of Scotland’s dentists and the testimonials folder from satisfied patients suggests we are delivering the best possible service.”

Blackhills has become the Gold Standard of specialist care in many respects.

They are proud to admit they “listen” to what their patients want and need rather than impose their own thinking on them. And this has produced a stream of outstanding results for those suffering bad dental health – be it through injury, disease or neglect.

“The advances during our 10 years have been in both knowledge and technology,” said Paul. “We can now deliver results we could only dream of a decade ago.”

Specialists at Blackhills continue to travel the world to keep abreast of advances and hone their skills and knowledge of 21st Century dentistry and oral surgery.

The past 10 years represent a significant investment in the perfectly located clinic beside the A9, 12 miles south of Perth. But it is Blackhills investment in its team that sets it above all others.

“We have pieces of kit that cut bone with sound waves and a scanner that can allow you to perform an operation on a computer screen ahead of the real thing,” said Paul.

“But it still takes the right people to use them – and use them well. Our specialists are at the very top of their game and highly respected throughout the country.”

Patients – past, present and future – play a key role in Blackhills thinking.

Auchterarder-based businessman Fraser Bruce said: “I attended Blackhills in 2007 for a course of treatment including implants and realignment and was delighted.

“They turned a problematic set of teeth into a smile I’m proud of – and all in a pain-free, comfortable, welcoming and friendly environment. I was apprehensive but they put me at ease.

“When you put your trust in Blackhills, you know you have handed the job to the best in the business.”



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