**Consultation fees from 1st January 2023 onwards**

**Please kindly read through the following information before coming to making a booking and coming to clinic.**

Please feel free to book directly into one of Mr Tweedie’s private clinics, which are all outlined at <https://www.danieltweedie.com/private-patient-faqs>

Consultations are typically arranged in 20 minute slots. Please try to arrive 10 minutes before your appointment time, as it can take time to register your details at the clinic. Mr Tweedie will make every effort to run the clinics on time, but there are sometimes complex cases which require longer than the allotted time, or other investigations, which can incur some delays, so please bear this in mind. It would be reasonable to allow some additional time if you require hearing tests, etc. **If patients arrive late, we will make efforts to accommodate them that day, but there may be a delay until a slot is free, to avoid incurring delays for other patients.**

**Clinic cancellation policy and non-attendance**

The Hospital booking teams will outline the cancellation policy at the time of booking, and all patients are asked to please adhere to this. Late cancellations, without good reason, or no-shows are extremely disruptive, and will mean that other patients cannot book in and have to wait longer to be seen. If you swap your appointment to another time or hospital, please make sure that the original appointment is cancelled.

**If a clinic appointment is cancelled within 24 hours of the scheduled time, a full consultation fee may be applicable, unless there is a good reason (such as illness). Please kindly contact Mr Tweedie’s secretary out of courtesy if this is the case. For patients who are booked in but do not attend without notifying us, then a full consultation fee will be applied. Such fees will not normally be recoverable from insurance companies.**

**Insured patients**

For insured patients, some or all of the fees will generally be reimbursed by the insurance company. Mr Tweedie is fee assured with all of the major insurers, and will invoice according to each company’s fee structure. Please pre-authorise the appointment before booking, so that this is approved. **There may be an excess fee to pay, if an excess applies to your policy**. It is usual for the insurance companies to cover simple procedures and tests within the consultation, where required, such as hearing tests, removal of wax from the ears, etc. Again, please kindly check this in advance.

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**Self-funding patients**

For patients who are not insured, the following consultation fees apply:

**New Consultation at all hospitals £250**

**Follow up Consultation at all hospitals £150**

**Telephone or Video Consultations (new) £150**

**Telephone or Video Consultations (follow up) £100**

***For self-funding patients who have a telephone or video consultation and where then a face-to-face clinic visit is then needed, the total basic consultation fees for these two reviews will be £250, so that there are no additional costs compared to coming for a face-to-face consultation alone.***

**Additional procedures for self-funding patients**

**Hearing tests (Parkside Hospital) £50**

**Hearing tests at the Portland and Cromwell Hospitals** are provided and invoiced by the hospitals’ own audiology departments. Please call these departments to check the fees in advance, as

these will vary according to patient age and the complexity of testing required. The respective telephone numbers are 02073906573 (Portland Hospital Audiology) and 02074605771 (Cromwell Hospital Audiology).

**Nasal endoscopy\* £150**

**Other simple clinic procedures** such as dewaxing of the ears, tongue tie division and nasal cauterisation are included in the consultation fee for self-funding patients.

\***Please bear in mind that the hospitals may levy additional charges for hosting certain procedures which involve their equipment (such as removal of ear wax [typical additional hospital charge around £100] nasal endoscopy [typical additional hospital charge £180-200] and tongue tie division), in addition to these consultation/ procedure fees.**

If you have any queries about fees, please kindly email us in advance.

**Fees for surgery**

For insured patients, Mr Tweedie will provide codes for surgical procedures, which can be used to pre-authorise surgery with the relevant insurance company. Mr Tweedie and his anaesthetist colleagues are registered and typically fee approved with all the major insurers. Certain insurance companies will allow surgery at all the hospitals where Mr Tweedie practises, while others are more restricted. Please check with your policy in advance. Again, there may be an excess to pay.

For self-funding patients, each Hospital will make charges to host the procedure, which are typically payable in advance. **Please contact the business offices at any of the hospitals to check these fees, if required.** Please supply the surgery codes (as outlined in the FAQ section of my website: <https://www.danieltweedie.com/private-patient-faqs>).

Hospital surgery fees can be discussed with:

The Cromwell Hospital Business Office: 02074605770.

The Portland Hospital Reservation Team: 02073906032.

Operations are typically managed on a day case basis, without the need for an overnight stay, unless otherwise stated. Rarely, an overnight stay may be needed, which is at added cost from the Hospital.

**Mr Tweedie and his anaesthetist colleagues will each make separate charges to undertake the surgery, in addition to the hospital fees, as follows:**

**Procedure Procedure code Surgeon/ anaesthetist fees**

Adenotonsillectomy F3480 £450/£275

Adenoidectomy E2010 £200/£200

Tonsillectomy (child <16) F3400 £400/£250

Tonsillectomy (adult >16) F3440 £450/£275

Insertion of grommets D1510 £250/£200

Drainage of middle ears D1530 £200/£200

Nasal turbinate reduction E0412 £200/£200

Microlaryngoscopy E3520 £450/£300

Bronchoscopy E5180 £300/£200

Myringoplasty (eardrum repair) D1420 £650/£350

Division of tongue tie F2620 £200/£200

Manipulation of fractured nose W2620 £250/£200

Where two or more surgical procedures are performed at the same time, it is usual to invoice at 100% of the cost of the main procedure and then an additional 50% of the stated cost for other procedures.