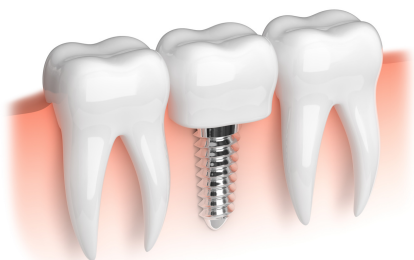


Dental Implants

Functional tooth replacement

What is a Dental Implant?

A dental implant is an artificial tooth replacement option used to restore missing teeth from congenitally missing teeth, trauma, or periodontal disease. Dental implants are strong, durable, long lasting and function like a normal tooth.



What are the benefits of Dental Implants?

- **Improved appearance:** Dental implants look and feel like natural teeth, and they can help restore your smile.
- **Improved speech:** Missing teeth can make it difficult to speak clearly, but dental implants can improve your speech and help you communicate more effectively.
- **Improved comfort:** Unlike dentures, which can be uncomfortable and slip out of place, dental implants are a permanent solution that won't cause discomfort or embarrassment.
- **Improved oral health:** Dental implants can help prevent bone loss and protect your remaining teeth from damage.
- **Improved confidence:** With dental implants, you can enjoy your favorite foods, smile confidently, and feel better about your appearance.



What is the process of a Dental Implant?

The first step is to develop a personalized treatment plan with our experienced doctor(s) who are specially trained in oral and restorative dentistry. This is done with an exam coupled with a series of images and possible impressions. After a treatment plan is developed, the implant process may begin.

If there is a tooth present to be removed, the tooth will need to be extracted excision site given time to heal. A bonegraft may be placed at this time as well to ensure there will be enough bone on site to support the future implant.

Once the area is given time to fully heal, the implant may be placed (integrated) into the bone. Depending on the tooth, you may have a temporary appliance to fill the space while the implant and extraction site fully heals.

Finally, an abutment will be placed and your new tooth will be secured in place.



Who is a candidate for a Dental Implant?

Not everyone is the best candidate for dental implants, however you may be a great candidate if you:

- Have one or more missing teeth
- Have adequate bone health
- Have healthy oral tissues
- Maintain good oral hygiene practices
- Do not have current health conditions that would affect healing

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