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21st Century Advanced Technology *... Tomorrow's Dentistry Today!*

Common Questions and Answers about Mini-Dental Implants

Q: What Are The Benefits Of Mini- Implants?

A: Here is a list of just a few of the benefits:

1. Prevents Bone Loss - By preventing bone resorption that would normally occur with the loss of teeth, the facial structure remains intact. This is especially important when all of the teeth are missing, because the lower one-third of the face collapses if implants are not placed to preserve the bone.
2. Overall quality of life is enhanced with replacement teeth that look, feel and function more like natural teeth. You will look younger and more attractive which allows you to be even more confident and enjoy smiling, laughing, and talking with others.



3. You can now live longer, because you'll be able to eat better and prevent malnutrition or stomach problems! Fresh Vegetables and fruits are back on the menu! You can now eat the foods you like. Also, since your chewing will be improved, your digestion will be even better as well!
4. Increases the amount of enjoyment you get out of eating!
5. Creates more confidence in social situations. Most of our patients love their new implants, because of their improved appearance, function, comfort and health.
6. Allows you to relax and not have to worry about your dentures moving around, popping out, or gagging you. You'll never worry about your dentures flying out when you laugh, sneeze, cough, or when you eat. The mini- implants are so securely attached that the fear of them falling out will be eliminated!

7. Your mouth will be restored as closely as possible to its natural state. By replacing the entire tooth, as well as the tooth root, it is possible to replicate the function of natural teeth, with a strong, stable foundation that allows comfortable biting and chewing. Also, nothing in the mouth looks or feels false or artificial!

You will be able to taste foods better. Wearing an upper denture can prevent someone from really tasting food because the roof of the mouth is covered. With implant supported replacement teeth, it is not necessary to cover the roof of the mouth, so it is possible to enjoy the taste of foods.

9. Improves overall oral health and decreases the risk of oral cancer and heart disease. It is much easier to care for any kind of implant versus the care of dentures. Your chances of bacteria build up and gum disease decreases when you have implants.

10. Eliminate Denture Adhesives FOREVER! There is no need for messy denture adhesives because mini-implants are attached to the bone.



11. Missing Teeth replaced with mini-implants will not affect your other teeth. Replacing missing teeth with implant supported crowns and bridges do not involve compromise or damage the adjacent natural, healthy teeth as other methods do. For example, when you wear a partial denture, you have clamps that hook onto adjacent teeth, which put pressure on them that causes them to loosen and come out.

And bridges require grinding down the adjacent teeth so that the bridge can be cemented onto them. This tooth structure can never be replaced and the long-term health of these teeth is compromised.

Q: Am I a Candidate for Mini-Implants?

A: Anyone who is missing one or more teeth or is frustrated with their denture or partial plate is a candidate for mini-implants. And unlike traditional surgical implants that require a large amount of bone, with mini-implants we only need a small amount of bone. We have done these successfully on many patients who have been told they were not candidates for regular implants. Even if there is hardly any gum left, you can usually still have mini-implants placed.

Q: How Painful Is Getting Mini-Implants?

A: Unlike surgical implants, the mini-implants are placed in very non-invasive manner. Local anesthetic is applied to the gums (similar to when having fillings done), then the implants are quickly placed through the gums into the jawbone. There is virtually no sensation during this process.

Q: How Long is the Recovery Period?

A: You are given a prescription for medication when you leave the office. There is usually some discomfort that first day and night that is controlled with your medication. By the next day it is much better and you can go to work or do whatever you need to do with only mild soreness for 2-3 days. You can begin eating what you want a day or two after the procedure.



Q: Can I have Teeth that stay in place with no plate at all?

A: Yes you can! Mini-implants have been used for many years to hold denture plates securely, so patients can eat, smile and speak with comfort and confidence. Today, use of this mini- implant technology has been expanded for anything from replacing a single tooth to full mouth restoration. You can actually go from a denture or partial plate to full permanent teeth that stay in and don't come out at all. This is done in only two visits and you can be rid of your denture or partial plate forever!

Q: How Successful are Mini-Implants?

A: Hundreds of thousands of mini- dental implants have been placed and studies demonstrate a success rate greater than 95% when provided by properly trained and experienced dentists.

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REFERRED BY: _____ NAME OF NEW PATIENT: _____ DATE ISSUED: 9-5-09

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