



DENTAL IMPLANTS

A Dental implant is a Titanium metal fixture (usually a type of screw) that is surgically placed into the jaw bone. The implant fixture then fuses with the jaw bone undergoing a process called osseointegration. The implant then acts as a support for a false tooth (a dental implant crown) or a set of false teeth (implant bridges or implant dentures) Dental implants and their attached crowns closely mimic the look and function of real teeth.

Dental implants are typically placed to provide solutions and alternatives to the problems created by tooth loss.

There are many advantages to the placement of dental implants, including:

- Improved facial aesthetics/cosmetics
- Improved chewing ability and other oral functions such as speech.
- Preservation of remaining jaw bone structure.
- Improved Oral health hence less gum problems and infections.
- Improved self-esteem.

Treatment of Gum Infections

Periodontal disease is the infection and inflammation of the gums. It is caused by plaque, a thick and sticky film of bacteria that builds up on the teeth. Plaque can harden to become calculus, known also as tartar. Plaque and tartar are caused by poor oral hygiene; that is, the teeth have not been cleaned thoroughly or often enough.

SIGNS OF PERIODONTAL DISEASE:

- Red, swollen, tender, painful or bleeding gums
- Gums that have shrunk from the teeth
- Persistent bad breath
- A bad taste in the mouth
- Abscesses between teeth and gums
- The fit of a denture has changed
- Loose teeth, drifting apart of teeth, and gaps appearing between teeth.

BENEFITS OF TREATMENT:

The purpose of periodontal treatment is to stop or slow down the progression of gum disease.

BENEFITS INCLUDE HAVING:

- A mouth that feels, looks and is healthier
- Teeth that are smooth and look clean
- A better chance of keeping your teeth for life



Did you know...

Dr. Tom is passionate about cooking. If he wasn't a Dentist he'd be a Chef! His signature dish he loves to cook is his Asian Mango BBQ Pork Ribs!!.

