

The Patient's Guide To

Dental Implants



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Dental Implants: The Closest Thing To Natural Teeth

There are many options for patients looking to replace one or more missing teeth. The most permanent and beneficial are dental implants, which most closely mimic the structure and characteristics of natural teeth.

Dental implants take the place of an entire tooth, from the root to the crown. This is very beneficial for patients, as they provide durability and strength comparable to



natural and healthy teeth. Dental implants surgically placed into the jaw bone help provide healthy stimulation while ensuring that adjacent teeth do not shift out of place.

Aesthetically, implants are restored with custom dental crowns or a full arch prosthesis that looks and feels just like natural teeth. Overall, these functional and aesthetic benefits together help to provide patients with a solution that will not only improve their oral health but also significantly increase their overall sense of confidence and well-being.

difficult to find restorative, long-term options outside of dental implants. For many patients with one or more missing teeth, implants are seen as the greatest long-term investment in their smiles — simply because implants restore more than only smile aesthetics.



The Benefits Of Choosing Dental Implants

Without addressing one of the primary functional concerns of tooth loss — jaw bone loss — it can be

Dental implants allow most patients to enjoy all the comfort and strength they once had with a complete, healthy set of natural teeth! This can be life-changing for patients who have experienced more extensive tooth loss.

Dental implants allow patients to

- **Smile with confidence**
- **Eat the foods you love**
- **Maintain jaw bone health**
- **Speak with clarity**
- **A more youthful appearance**
- **Permanent, with proper care**

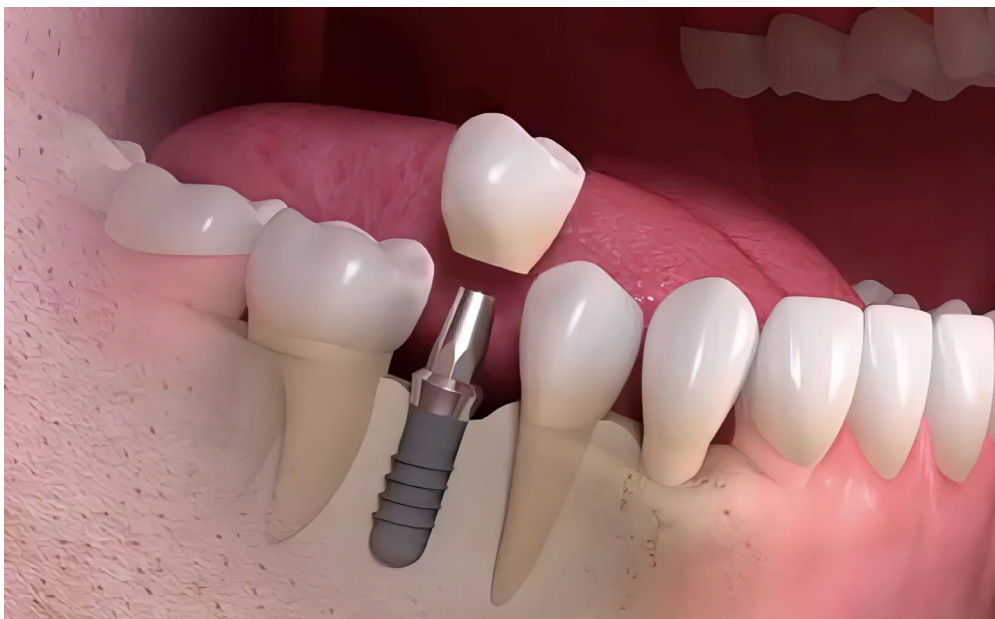


Our Dental Implants Process

Dental implant procedures are relatively lengthy and may require multiple visits to the dental office, depending on if bone grafting is necessary. The surgery does not necessitate a hospital stay and can be completed in your dentist's office over a six to nine month period or up to one year with bone grafting. If sedation is preferred, an oral surgeon can perform the procedure. We will begin by numbing the area of your mouth where they need to make an incision in the gums. This will allow us to access the underlying bone where we will place the implant. To do this, we'll use a special drill that creates a

to the bone. With this procedure, you can enjoy improved strength and stability for your new tooth or teeth.

The second phase is not nearly as in-depth as the first phase. We will numb the area before cutting into your gums to uncover the implant. This part of the procedure is completely painless and you won't have to worry about feeling any discomfort. After that, the next step of the process can begin. An impression is then taken of a small device placed on the implant; this is what the lab will use to fit your crown. Subsequently, you may have to attend multiple appointments where we will take an impression of your teeth in order to design a crown that closely matches the existing structure and aesthetics. The exact number of appointments needed will



space for it. The implant is secured into a slot and protected with an extra piece on top. Then, sutures are used to stitch the gums over the implant before it is left alone for it to attach

be dependent on the individual case and can be discussed before treatment begins. After the placement of a new dental crown, the implant process is complete.

Aftercare

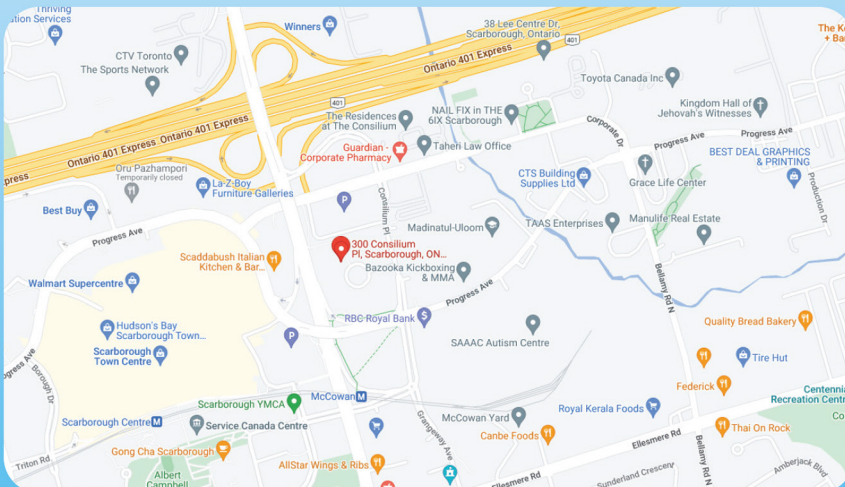
Following the surgery, it's essential to stick to all aftercare instructions in order to avoid infection and implant rejection. Swelling of the gums and bruising are very common side-effects and can be mitigated with OTC medications such as Ibuprofen. Most patients are fine to return to work the day following the procedure. As is the case with natural teeth, implanted teeth need to be checked and maintained regularly through a regular brushing and flossing routine in addition to routine check-ups.



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