

Dental Implants

Dental implants are a great way to replace missing teeth and also provide a fixed solution to having removable partial or complete dentures. Dental implants are metal screws designed to act as artificial tooth roots when surgically placed in the jawbone of the patients. The implant is made from titanium and actually “fuses” with the jawbone. An abutment is then placed on top of the implant to create a support post for various prosthetics such as crowns, bridges, dentures, etc.

Advantages of implants versus dental bridge:

- an implant is stronger, more durable and permanent
- an implant revitalizes bone and muscle
- an implant does not require any preparation of adjacent teeth
- an implant does not give temperature sensitive sensations
- an implant supported crown is a separate unit and can be flossed like your own teeth

Advantages of implants in conjunction to dentures:

- an implant distributes the stress exerted on existing teeth
- an implant can increase the patient’s occlusal force by 5-7 times
- an implant can ease the discomfort of putting on or taking out dentures everyday
- an implant prevents the resorption of bone
- an implant feel and looks like real teeth

Good oral hygiene and regular dental visits will aid in the life of your new implant.

