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Secure dentures bring back your smile.



What are you waiting for?

Dentures and dental implants



▶ The problems with loose dentures.

Millions of people around the world are missing all their teeth in their upper or lower jaw. Many of them struggle to keep their dentures secure, particularly in the lower jaw. If you are one of them, you already know about the embarrassment of slipping dentures, not being able to eat all the foods that you love and the ineffectiveness of denture adhesives. Fortunately, there is now a way to make your denture work the way it was intended: **stabilization with dental implants.**

Benefits of denture stabilization

- ▶ Restores proper chewing, allowing a better diet and improved health
- ▶ Improves speech and confidence
- ▶ Increases comfort with less irritation of gum tissue
- ▶ Ends the cost and inconvenience of denture adhesives
- ▶ Often can utilize your existing denture
- ▶ Minimally invasive procedure

Dental stabilization with implants explained.

Too many people who have conventional dentures don't wear them for the simple fact that they don't stay in place. Dental implants offer a way to keep dentures in place and allow you to go about your daily life with confidence.

The use of dental implants to stabilize dentures has proven to be successful for hundreds of thousands of people. The number is growing daily as word spreads of the effectiveness and long-term integrity of the treatment. In fact, dental implants have the highest success rate of any implanted surgical device.

In the procedure titanium screws (implants) with integrated ball-tops are inserted into the jaw, where they will fuse into the bone. The procedure typically takes about an hour, and can be done under local anesthesia. Your existing denture is modified to sit comfortably over the implants during the healing phase.

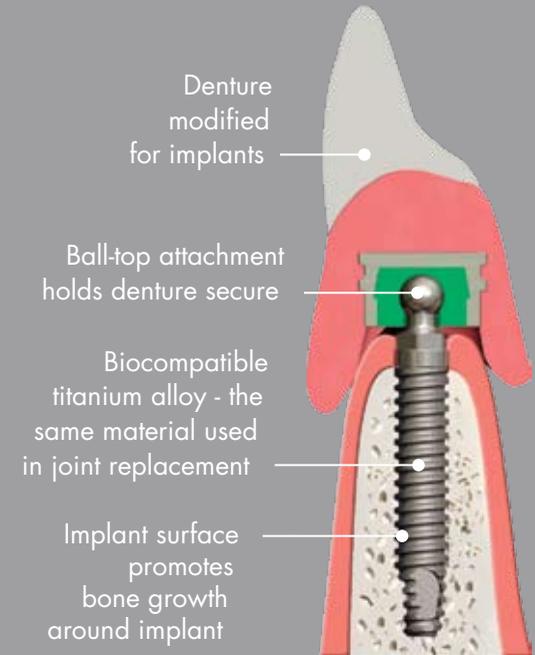
Discomfort from the procedure is usually minor. Your dentist can prescribe medication to alleviate pain and will suggest a modified diet during the initial healing phase.

After the implants have healed, your denture is modified to snap onto the ball-tops. The denture will be secure until you remove it for cleaning. Simply apply upward pressure to the front of the denture with your thumbs to unseat the denture.

Anatomy of overdentures



Denture supported by four overdenture implants



Talk to your doctor.

Every patient is different and patient results may vary. Only a trained clinician can determine the best treatment plan for you. Please ask your doctor to explain the benefits and risks to see if denture stabilization with implants is right for you.

What to expect afterwards.

Daily cleaning consists of removing your denture at night and brushing around your implants to remove any food and plaque. Brushing also stimulates blood flow in the surrounding gum tissue. Following your doctor's post-operative instructions and maintaining your dental hygiene are important factors in ensuring the long-term success of your treatment.

Implants and insurance.

Like most elective procedures, dental implants are typically not covered by dental insurance plans. However, payment plans are usually available that can bring implant treatment within your reach.

The benefits of eating what you want, smiling with confidence, and the many other positive changes that a stable denture can bring simply cannot be measured. Your dentist will be happy to answer any questions or concerns you may have regarding dental implant procedures.