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The benefits of Dental Implants

Dental implants look and feel just like natural teeth. A Dental implant is a man-made tooth root. A wonderful benefit is they function just like the natural tooth roots. Because dental implants function just like natural roots, bone loss and gum recession is eliminated (as a result of missing root structure). When teeth are removed, the jaw bone heals by collapsing inward upon itself. Unless tooth roots are there to stimulate the bone, the bone continues to shrivel away. Bone loss is painless and a person many not realize that the space where they are

missing a tooth is losing any bone until they see their facial features changing. Dental implants are very durable, stable and strong. There are many good reasons if you are missing a tooth or about to be missing a tooth to have a dental implant place.

A couple reasons would be:

- To replace one or more missing teeth without affecting the adjacent teeth.
- To resolve joint pain bite problems caused by teeth shifting into the missing tooth space.
- To support a bridge or denture, making them more secure and comfortable.
- To restore chewing, speech and digestion.
- To restore or enhance facial tissues.
- To restore a more confident smile.

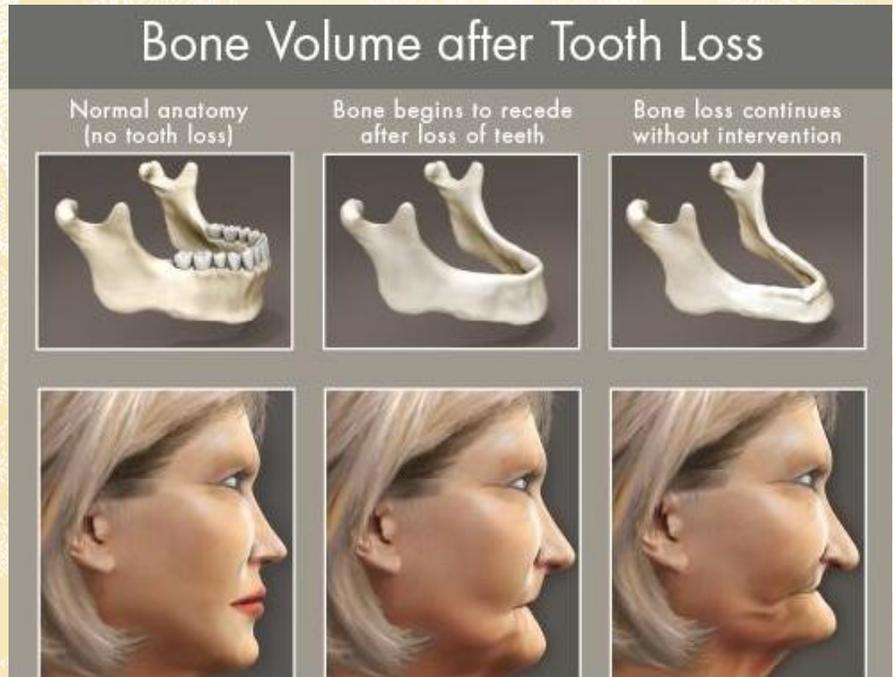


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More on the Benefits of Dental Implants

The above picture really shows what can happen to the jaw bone and the cosmetic facial changes when teeth are missing. The most common cause of loose teeth is due to bone loss which is commonly caused by periodontal disease. Periodontal diseases are ongoing infections of the gums that gradually destroy the support of your natural teeth. Your jawbone needs the teeth in place to stimulate the bone. If teeth are missing, then the bone will begin to breakdown. Dental implants help stop the bone from shriveling away. Not everyone is a candidate for dental implants- give our office a call to schedule an appointment. Dr.Kanter will be happy to let you know if you are. We do several implant cases in our office and would be honored to do yours or someone you know that may benefit from this procedure.



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• Message from the Doctor



Whether missing one tooth or all their teeth, more patients are replacing the loss with dental implants. Implants have a more natural feel than traditional bridges or dentures. Most implant procedures involve placing titanium anchors that act as artificial roots into the area of missing teeth. An extension is then placed in the implant, to which a prosthetic tooth or crown is secured. After undergoing this process, patients find they have a better feeling, better looking, and more stable solution to their tooth loss than more traditional dental reconstructive approaches. Replacing a lost tooth is vital to maintaining the overall health and function of the surrounding teeth. Implant placement helps to avoid tooth migration, loss of the bone in the area of the missing tooth, esthetic compromises, occlusal interferences, and potential temporomandibular joint problems.

Implants are an effective means of counteracting these problems. Implants are strong and provide a feel as close to a natural tooth as can be currently achieved. Furthermore, implants reduce the impact of the lost tooth on surrounding teeth. Traditional bridges, for example, often require modification of the adjacent teeth to hold the bridge in place. Implants avoid such alterations to the surrounding teeth when replacing a lost tooth. Implants, when replacing dentures, provide even more benefits. Dentures are notorious for slipping at the worst possible moments. Poorly fitting dentures can even affect diet, speech, esthetics, and self esteem. Implants eliminate or minimize the possibility of slipping or pinching and allow food of most types to be eaten. In short, implants are, by far, the best and the most predictable way to replace missing teeth.

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