



**crown
bridge
implant**

a smile is a curve that sets everything straight

CROWNS

A Crown is an artificial covering of a cracked tooth or heavily filled or a root canal treated tooth. A crown is made up of metal (gold) or porcelain (white) or a mixture of both.

The procedure to have a crown initially begins with preparing the tooth and taking a mould. A subsequent appointment will actually fit & cement the crown.

The benefit to having a crown is...

- Appearance & restoration of the tooth
- Protect, seal & strengthen
- Restore bite for chewing



bridge

A bridge can fill the gap of a missing tooth if an implant or denture is not required.

A bridge replaces the missing tooth with a false one and is anchored in place by a neighbouring healthy tooth or teeth. This can be done by crowns or by using adhesive brackets.

implants

Dental implants are artificial tooth roots that are inserted into the jawbone to replace missing natural teeth.

Implant techniques can replace one or several missing teeth. In some cases, instead of an artificial tooth, an implant can be fitted with special clips to hold a denture.

Dental implants...

- Unlike bridges, placement of implants do not require the cutting and reshaping of neighbouring healthy teeth
- Are firmly secured in the jaws
- Are usually more comfortable than dentures
- Like natural teeth, are cleaned by dental floss & brushing with regular tooth paste

Properly maintained implants that are anchored by sufficient bone can last for many years, although repairs may be expected like any other dental appliance.

While most people can have dental implants children under the age of 17 years are usually not considered suitable because their bones are still growing. Smoking also impairs the healing process and may cause implant failure.



dental implant procedures

In most cases the dental implant procedure involves three separate treatment stages...

- Insertion of the implant into the bone
- Insertion of the abutment (or connector) on the implant
- Attachment of the artificial tooth

The procedure can take from three to six months or more from surgical placement of the implant to the fitting of the crown.

costs

An estimate will be provided to you of your dentist part in the implant process.

Fees for the oral surgeon, hospital & anaesthetist are separate from the dentist fees & these will be provided by the oral surgeon. As the actual treatment may differ from the proposed treatment, the final account may vary from the estimate.

bridges Vs. implants

Bridges...

- Bridges attach to the other teeth so if these have problems later on, it may lead to a wider gap
- No surgery healing time required and treatment can be usually done in two weeks
- More difficult to clean

Implants...

- Same hygiene procedure as normal teeth
- Good long term prognosis
- No effect on neighbouring teeth
- Need surgery & healing time
- Not suitable for some mouths

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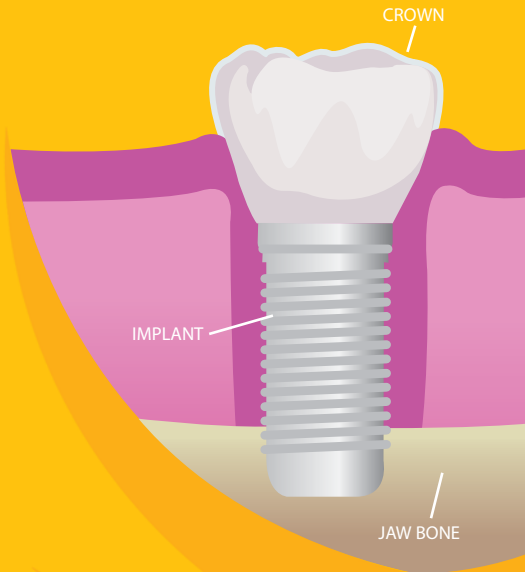
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