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## Implant Restoration



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## REFER A FRIEND

The surgery runs a refer a friend scheme, where we donate £5.00 to our chosen charity "NightSafe" for every new patient we see referred by you.

## Good candidates

Healthy gums

Enough bone to anchor the dental implant in the jaw.

Commitment to daily brush and floss the implanted teeth and surrounding gums.

Committed to make regular visits to the dentist and hygienist.

## Problematic candidates

Young patients whose jawbones have not fully developed.

Pregnant women.

Heavy smokers.

Alcohol or substance abusers.

Patients receiving high dose irradiation of their head or neck.

People with chronic diseases or systemic problems, including high blood pressure, diabetes connective—tissue diseases, haemophilia and significant immune deficiencies.

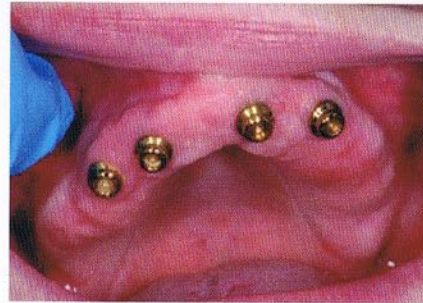
Patients taking steroids or drugs that suppress the immune system.

**Remember that with dental implants, age is not a factor.**



## What is an Implant?

A dental implant is an artificial tooth root that is surgically anchored into your jaw bone to hold a replacement tooth or denture in place. In most cases this artificial root is a titanium screw that is placed surgically in the bone. The screw then fuses biologically with the living bone (a process called osseointegration) to form a strong foundation upon which a crown or bridge can be placed.



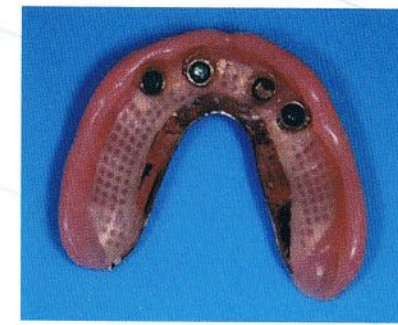
## Advantages of dental implants

Having replacement teeth fixed securely into your jawbone provides many advantages. They can:

Eliminate the need for removable dentures altogether.

Provide stability for dentures, thereby promoting denture self-confidence. This improves speech, appearance and chewing functions.

Eliminate the need to involve adjacent teeth in the construction of a bridge (thereby preserving valuable tooth tissue)



## What does dental implant treatment involve?

A thorough assessment with x-rays, and possibly is initially carried out and the treatment is carefully planned.

The surgical part of the treatment can be carried out using local anaesthesia.

After administering anaesthesia, the Oral Surgeon exposes an area of your jawbone and prepares the bone for the implant.

The process is repeated according to the number of implants that you need. The screw-type titanium fixture is set into the bone and your gums are then closed with stitches. It takes between three to six months for your bone to heal completely.

Your implant locator is then uncovered and an implant crown or denture attached. Dentures require several implant anchors. While you are waiting for healing and osseointegration to take place, you may have some form of temporary tooth replacement.