

WELLINGTON DENTAL IMPLANTS

# Implants

Dental implants offer the most durable and minimally invasive method of replacing teeth. They are made of titanium which is a biocompatible material so bone heals directly against the implant surface, locking it into place.

Implants are essentially an artificial tooth root, planted in the jaw and after a period of healing a tooth is placed on top, as with a crown. (For an obvious front tooth gap, a temporary can be placed on the same day that the implant goes in, so you don't have to have a gap when you smile!).

The crucial factor to consider before treatment is that you need enough bone to put the implant into. If you haven't got sufficient bone, all is not lost; there are ways around this, and we have techniques for compensating for lack of bone. We will talk through this with you, if necessary.

Implants can be used for one missing tooth right through to all your teeth.

If you have lost all your teeth, you don't need one implant per tooth. Normally its possible to do a whole set, upper or lower, on 4 to 6 implants, each jaw.

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# Teeth-in-a-Day

There a number of people for whom teeth have deteriorated from age, gum disease or other factors, and they find themselves with a set of natural teeth that they're not proud of.

We find that many of this group are often terrified of the consequence of wearing dentures, and implants are a great solution.

It is possible to have failing teeth removed, implants placed and a temporary set of teeth fixed on top, all in one day.

The implants are left to fuse into your jaw which takes three months on average. During this healing phase, you will have a number of visits so that we can check on things, talk about the permanent look you want with your new teeth, do some mock ups, try-ins and prepare to make a permanent set of teeth, which are fixed in place at the final stage.

This is one of the best things about this process; in most people the teeth can be removed and implants put in at the same time, on the same day. In the majority of cases we can place implants in the morning and progress to temporary teeth on those implants later in the day.

Unlike many dental facilities that offer this process, we are a one-stop shop. We minimise your inconvenience for eating, talking and smiling while the undergoing the process.

You arrive with your current teeth, and leave the same day with a fixed, temporary but very functional set of teeth which will be converted to a strong permanent set, usually within three months.

With well over 150 happy clients with Teeth-in-a-Day through our practice, we are leading the way with this procedure.

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