What Is A Dental Implant?

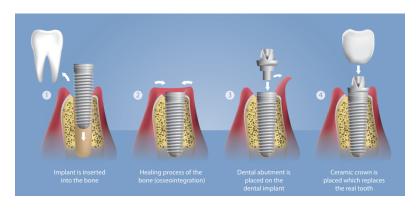
A dental implant is a small post, usually made of titanium that serves as a substitute for the root of a tooth that is missing. The dental implant serves as a base of support for the replacement teeth in the mouth, whether they be implant crowns or removable appliances (such as implant partials or dentures). The titanium dental implant fixture, over time, actually fuses to the living bone cells of the jaw, forming that strong and durable anchor for your new teeth.

Dental implants typically have three parts:

- 1) **The implant**: A screw that serves as a root for your new teeth. This is what is permanently inserted into the tooth root space of your jaw.
- 2) **The abutment**: A permanent, but removable by your doctor, connector that supports and holds a tooth or set of teeth onto the dental implant.
- 3) **The crown** (or prosthetic tooth): This is the part of the tooth that you can see. It's usually made of zirconia or porcelain for strength and esthetics.

You can use dental implants to replace a single tooth, multiple teeth or a full upper and/or lower set of teeth. Depending on your health status, healing, and the level of complexity of your case, restoring a tooth or multiple teeth with dental implants can take anywhere from 3-9 months, from start to finish.





If you have any further questions, feel free to contact the office via email or phone call and we'll be happy to provide you with additional guidance or recommendations.

Types of Dental Implant Treatments

Replacement of a single tooth VS

Replacement of multiple missing teeth (implant supported bridge or implant supported denture)

Types of Dental Implants



Single Tooth Dental Implant



Implant-Supported Bridge



Implant-Supported Denture