

# YOUR NEW SMILE

## IMPLANT-RETAINED DENTURES



## Dental Implant Patient Information

### What Is An Implant-Retained Denture?

Conventional dentures are a popular tooth replacement option, as they have been the standard choice for centuries. But with that choice comes potential inconvenience and risk. There may be discomfort and the possibility of the denture coming loose while speaking or eating. Additionally, the types of food one can enjoy is restricted, leading to poor nutrition.

With an implant-retained denture, many of these issues are eliminated. An implant integrates with the jaw, supporting an abutment which acts as an anchor to hold the prosthetic denture firmly in place. The denture will fit securely, providing confidence and allowing you to eat a variety of foods and enjoy life!

### The Importance of Teeth to Our Quality of Life

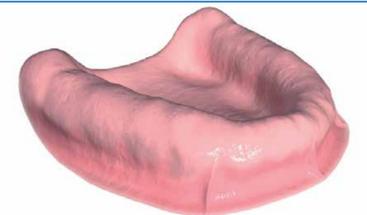
A beaming smile helps to open doors while exuding a friendly radiance, vitality and confidence. But healthy teeth are vital to more than just our appearance. They are also an important element to our nutrition by making it possible to eat a variety of foods that keep us healthy. Scientific research has shown that healthy teeth have a significant influence on our overall well-being.

Tooth loss can be the result of many factors, such as accident or disease. Despite the cause, the loss of a tooth can make it difficult to enjoy a carefree life while eating, socializing or working.

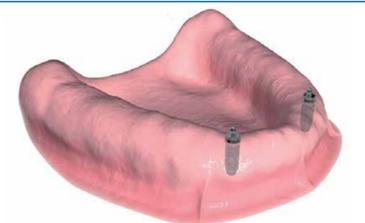
However, tooth loss is no longer an irreversible matter. For over 30 years, dental implants have offered the opportunity of replacing missing teeth. Dental implantology is based on a solid scientific foundation and has been successfully used in dentistry for decades.

### Implant-Retained Denture Procedure

- At the beginning of the process, all teeth are missing in the jaw. Your dental specialist will determine the quantity needed and best placement of the implants for your case.



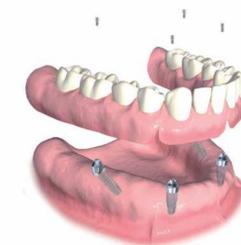
- Implants will then be placed into the jaw where they will permanently integrate into the bone over a matter of months.



- An implant-retained denture can be fixed or removable. After being manufactured in the dental laboratory, the complete denture is fitted by your dentist.

If the fixed option is chosen, the denture will be firmly secured to the implant. Regular cleaning and hygiene appointments maintain proper oral health.

If a removable option is chosen, the implants may be provided with a retention element (bar, button or similar) that fits to the denture. This achieves the optimum connection for a removable denture within the mouth. The denture can then be worn.



Fixed Denture



Removable - Bar Type



Removable - Button Type