Role of Periodontists (Oral Plastic Surgeons)



Helping You

Patient Education Posters

From
Disease to
Health







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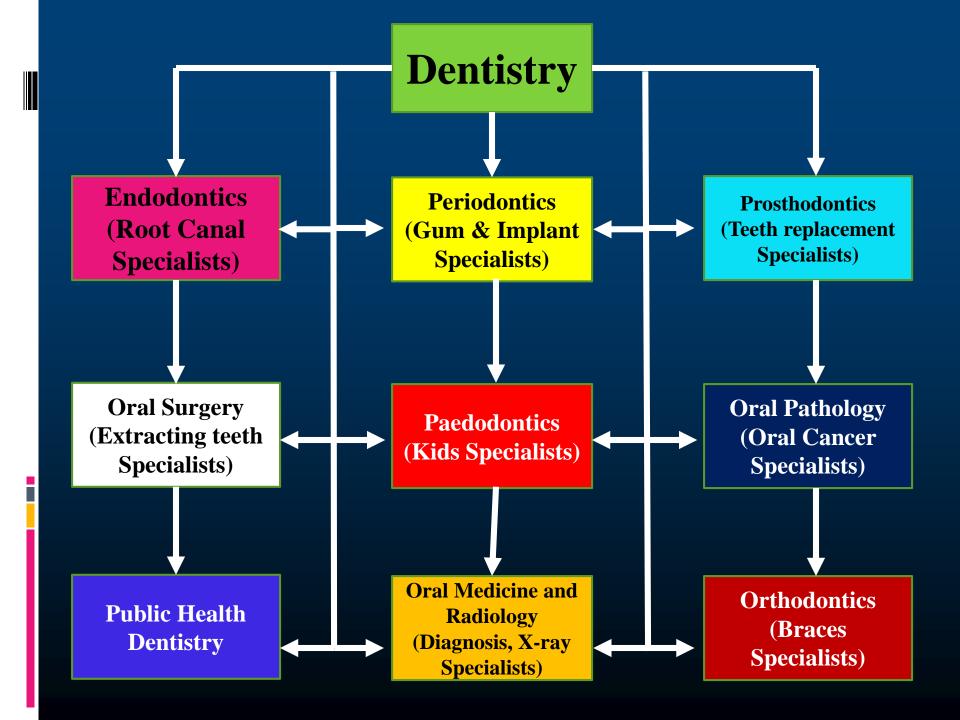
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Periodontists –

Periodontists being gum specialists are also labelled as 'Plastic Surgeons' of the mouth and are principally involved in smile designing through shaping of gums.

They play a significant role in identifying and maintaining systemic health through oral health. They also specialise in treating gum disease, placement of implants, maintaining them and managing diseased and infected dental implants.

Their armamentarium includes use of Lasers, ozone and performing soft and hard tissue surgeries in the mouth to restore gums and bone to health.

Signs of Gum Disease

- ✓ Bleeding Gums
- ✓ Swollen Gums
- ✓ Bad Breath
- ✓ Mobile / Loose Teeth
- ✓ Elongated Teeth
- ✓ Gum Recession/ Pockets
- ✓ Tartar around and on the teeth

Don't Rush when u Brush



Learn from a Periodontist

FOR THE PATIENTS WHO WANT CLEAN AND HEALTHY GUMS....



PERIODONTISTS ARE THE ONES....

Healthy Gums

For a

Healthy lifestyle



Maintain Gums to Maintain Your Teeth



Visit a Gum Specialist Today

Bad Odor Needs a Healer



Time to call on a Periodontist

Bleeding Gums



Bleeding Organs

If Your Gum Bleeds,



a Consultation with a Periodontist is what you need!!!

BLEEDING GUMS — POCKETS FULL OF BACTERIA

VISIT YOUR GUM SPECIALIST

TODAY



Would you ignore if your scalp bleeds while combing your hair????



Then why ignore bleeding gums while brushing????

Say no to Deadly Dental Plaque,



Vísit a Periodontist today...

Lock your Gum Pockets

Visit a Periodontist



Jove Thy Gums as Thyself.

Don't Ignore Gum Pain.

Consult a Periodontist.





LONGER TEETH THAN BEFORE? SHORTER THEY WILL STAY.



CONSULT A PERIODONTIST TODAY...

ITS BETTER TO WAKE BEFORE YOUR TEETH BEGIN TO SHAKE



VISIT A PERIODONTIST — YOUR GUM
SPECIALIST

Don't Lose Loose Teeth Consult a Periodontist



Morried about Jooth Mobility,



Visit a Periodontist for their Stability

Care for the Root Or You Will eventually loose the tooth





Rocking Teeth can Rock Your Life... U Need to Visit a Periodontist Today...



Before Teeth Move and Shake



Visit a Periodontist

Plaque - Periodontal Disease - Heart





Your Mouth can Impact your Heart

Gum Disease can lead to Heart Disease





Visit a Periodontist today

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Study seeks gum disease link to heart attack



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recently read about a correlation between gum disease and heart attacks. Should I be

concerned

that the condition of my teeth and gums may increase my heart attack risk?

A. Atlantic Health System's Morristown Memorial Hospital is conducting a study that examines a possible link between the bacteria that is commonly found in infected gums

and the onset of a heart attack. The study is funded by the Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey.

A heart attack occurs when arteries are clogged with plaque and some of that plaque breaks away and forms a clot. The clot then blocks the artery and causes tissue damage. which in turn leads to heart failure, weaknesses in the heart's walls, or even death.

It is not known what causes the plaque to suddenly rupture and form a blood clot, said David Goteiner, D.D.S., an attending periodontist in the Department of Dentistry

at Morristown Memorial Hospital and principal investigator for the research study However factors such as an increase in the patient's "bad" cholesterol and greater amounts of plaque in the blood vessels are possible catalysts. Goteiner suspects that bacterial infection may play a key role in the process that triggers a heart attack.

The connection between gum disease and heart disease may be reflected in similarity of tissue response. Gums infected with periodontal disease are inflamed and infected with bacteria. The bacte-

ria produce a byproduct called endotoxins, which are also extremely inflammatory. If an overload of bacteria from gum disease were to enter the bloodstream, it could contribute to the inflammatory response that leads to a heart attack.

The study results may also pinpoint why some patients live for years with arteriosclerosis (narrowing of the arteries) while others experience sudden heart attacks from the rupturing of the plaque. There are reports that other bacteria, including chlamydia.

cytomegalovirus and her-

pes simplex, have been identified in arteriosclerosis plaque, potentially causing an inflammatory response that may cause ruptures of the plaque. It seems reasonable that bacteria originating in the mouth may do the same. Some research studies that have made a connection to periodontal disease and such disorders as heart disease, premature birth, diabetes and respiratory diseases.

Studies like the one at Morristown Memorial Hospital may lead to the practice of recommending regular teeth and gum cleanings as a preventative asktheexpertmahsys.org.

for heart disease. Periodontal disease may also be cited as a risk factor for cardiovascular diseases. Until these theories are proven conclusively, we may all be safer to practice regular oral hygiene, and enjoy healthy teeth and gums as an additional benefit.

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Scaling (Cleaning)

 Scaling is a common procedure of cleaning tooth surfaces just above the gumline to remove accumulated food debris, tartar deposits and bacteria.





Before

After

Splinting

It involves tying loose/ mobile teeth together to stabilize them.





Before

After

Laser Assisted Gum Treatment

It is a procedure to ensure that no tissue is cut away from the gums or even the bone. The LASER provides gentle treatment that helps in the protection of healthy tissue while minimizing pain and discomfort at the same time. It helps in elimination of gum disease without harming oral tissues.



Operculectomy



It is the surgical procedure of removing the inflamed and painful gummy tissue that covers a partially erupted tooth (usually the wisdom tooth).

Gingivectomy





Gingivectomy is a dental procedure in which the periodontist removes a part of the excess gums in the mouth.

Gingivectomy is commonly done to treat gummy smiles and lengthen short teeth in the mouth.

Crown Lengthening





It is a procedure which is used to treat inadequate tooth structure as a result of tooth fracture or dental decay, especially in the front region where esthetics is of great concern.

In this procedure gums or bone surrounding a tooth are removed to expose enough of the tooth, to enable it to receive a new crown.

Flap Surgery



Before After

Gingival Flap Surgery is a procedure in which the gums are detached from the teeth and folded back temporarily to allow the periodontist to reach and clean the root of the tooth and the bone, thus treating gum disease.

Regenerative Periodontology Flap Surgery –

It involves procedures to regenerate lost bone and tissue supporting your teeth and can reverse some of the damage caused by gum disease.

• Membrane (filters), bone grafts or tissue – stimulating proteins are used to encourage body's natural ability to regenerate the lost bone and tissue.

Regenerative Flap Surgery





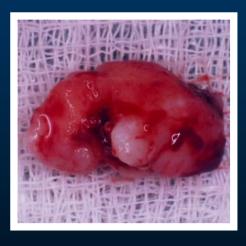




Surgical Excision –

It involves the removal of excessive gum overgrowth.







Gum Depigmentation





It is a procedure in which darkened/black gums are lightened/turned pink by scraping them or transportation of healthy oral tissues of the same patient in darkened areas.

Darkened gum areas can also be lightened by application of excessive low temperature and lasers.

Periodontal Plastic Surgery





Before After

They comprise mainly of plastic surgeries to cover the exposed parts of the tooth and bring the gums back to it's original position. It is also a part of smile designing.

Periodontal Plastic Surgery



Before After

Loss of gums is very unaesthetic even after the teeth are restored.

Such surgeries ensure restoration of the lost gums which were present between the teeth to eliminate the unaesthetic black triangles, thereby enhancing your smile.

Lip Repositioning

It is a conservative surgical technique used to treat excessive gum display. It helps to decrease gummy smile by simply repositioning of lips to ensure reduction of gums on display during smiling.



Dental Implant









Dental Implants -

A dental implant is the ideal and fixed replacement of your missing tooth. It is a surgical component that is placed within the bone of the jaw or skull to support a dental crown or bridge or denture or facial prosthesis.

<u>Dental Implant Maintenance</u> -

Periodic recall evaluation and radiographs are critical to ensure long life of implant.

The long term success of implants is dependent on both the patient's maintenance of effective home care and on dental team's administration of professional cleaning and additional procedures in the dental office.

Peri-implantitis -

Despite the documented high success and survival rate of oral implants, failures do occur. Periimplantitis being a major and common cause. It is the infection of gums around the implant along with loss of surrounding bone. It can be surgically or non surgically managed using lasers/ ozone/ local and systemic antimicrobials/bone grafts.

Conclusion

 Periodontists treat the foundation of your teeth (gums and bone).

 Periodontology is the foundation on which dentistry is standing.

 Also periodontists offer the ideal replacement for your missing teeth i.e. Dental Implants

Visit a Periodontist if you have -

- Bleeding Gums
- > Painful Gums
- > Swollen Gums
- > Sensitivity of teeth
- > Bad breath
- > Loose Teeth
- ➤ Black Gums
- > Excessive Gum Overgrowth

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