



Lost a few teeth?

Attractive, comfortable and safe restorative solutions for missing teeth



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Every tooth counts

Your teeth don't sit alone. Each one is an integral part of a carefully balanced system. Losing one opens a gap in your smile, lessens your ability to chew properly, and can adversely affect your diet and nutrition. More worryingly, tooth loss causes bone loss. This threatens the stability of nearby teeth. Frequently, it leads to facial changes that make you look older than you are.

Whether at the front or towards the back, each tooth plays a vital role, in providing proper alignment. When you chew, healthy teeth stimulate and strengthen the jawbone maintaining sound bone mass. When one is missing the jawbone is no longer stimulated at that spot and consequently shrinks.

Therefore, tooth loss leads to bone loss, which alters the shape of the face. Without the stimulating effect of teeth chewing on the jawbone, it contracts. This visibly shrinks the lips and jawline, making you appear older.

Ask your dentist how modern dental implant restorations may best suit your needs.



Live your best life now

Attractive, strong teeth are essential to your general health and well-being. A beautiful smile makes you feel confident, and healthy teeth allow you to enjoy a nutritious and balanced diet.

Tooth loss is a common problem. Millions of people are missing at least one tooth, and more are edentulous (toothless). Many factors contribute to this: illness, genetics, accidents and inadequate dental hygiene. This can seriously lower your quality of life and is not just an aesthetic problem. Missing teeth lead to permanent gum and bone loss and instability of your mouth.

Ask your dentist about modern implant solutions, that can help you restore your quality of life,





Old methods, limited choices

Traditionally, if a tooth were missing or severely damaged, it would be treated with a partial denture “plate” or a bridge.

A **partial denture** or “plate” is a removable appliance, which is secured by hooks around the adjacent teeth.

Considerations:

- The least expensive option
- Correct fit is difficult and they are not secure
- The hooks cause negative wear on the healthy teeth
- Gum and bone continue to shrink
- A temporary solution

Fixing a bridge requires that the teeth on either side of the missing tooth be prepared by grinding them down into posts, which serve as anchors for the bridge.

Considerations:

- Healthy teeth must be compromised to serve as anchors
- Continued shrinkage of gum and bone leave a gap between the bridge and gum line
- Difficult to clean, can cause further decay
- Temporary, needing replacement in 5-15 years
- Cost comparable to implant



The many benefits of dental implants

Developed and introduced in the 1970's, dental implants are the restorative solution of choice for dentists when replacing missing teeth today. Thanks to modern technology and using biocompatible materials, dental implants have proven to be a trusted, reliable, and attractive solution.

Implant benefits

- No need to grind down adjacent healthy teeth, unlike conventional bridges.
- Maintains natural bone, and minimizes further bone loss due to bone stimulation – one of the most important advantages.
- Functions like your natural tooth root. You do not feel the difference.
- Accepted by your body due to biocompatible materials used.
- Can last a lifetime with proper care and good oral hygiene.
- Proven track record. Dental implants have been used by dental professionals for over 50 years, as a trusted method of tooth replacement.





Tailoring a solution for you

Your dentist best placed to answer any questions you may have about implant solutions and for information on BioHorizons Camlog products. In addition, you can visit our website at www.biohorizonscamlog.com.

Important Notice.

The information provided here is intended as an overview of routine dental crown and implant procedures. Because each patient is unique, so are their treatment plans. Timing, cost and delivery of care will be customised to suit an individual's situation. Each care provider employs their own experience, and preferred techniques in treatment, and they may suggest alternatives or variations, which are not included in this leaflet.

Special information on immediate implant procedures.

For this technique, a tooth is removed, and an implant is immediately placed into the extraction site. Depending on the local bone and soft-tissue conditions, the implant surgery may be a one- or two-stage procedure. This approach is not indicated for all cases nor all patients.



Local representative