**Dentures** – A removable prosthesis which replaces all of the teeth. It is totally supported by the gum tissue and is retained by a precise fit to the gums. It will improve the entire health of your mouth by keeping the surrounding teeth in position, restore the ability to chew, and can also help maintain the structure of your face and jaw.

**Implants** – A remarkable procedure, implants can replace any or all of your teeth. The implant becomes the "artificial tooth root" and actually holds the new tooth in place. The "implant" can be removable or fixed, or a combination of both. A removable prosthesis usually replaces a full set of teeth. It clips firmly to the abutments by a ball or bar, but can be easily removed for cleaning. A fixed prosthesis can replace one, several or all of your teeth. A single tooth attaches directly to the abutment. For several teeth, the entire metal frame is carefully fitted to your mouth and can only be removed by the dentist.

The advantages of implants for patients with missing teeth are: stability, increased patient comfort and confidence. Depending on a patient's bone quality and quantity, anyone can be a candidate for implants. Implants have a long life span and fit securely, giving the patient the feeling of having their own natural teeth. Documented clinical studies for over 30 years have shown that this procedure is one of the most predictable procedures in dentistry. Generally, success rates have been over 95%.

**Crowns** – A "cap", "jacket" or "crown" will restore a broken, heavily filed or cracked tooth to its original size and shape. This may be recommended after root canal therapy has been completed as the tooth tends to become brittle and is more apt to fracture. Crowns can strengthen and protect the remaining tooth structure and improve the appearance of your teeth.

**Bridges** – A non-removable bridge can restore our teeth to normal function by replacing missing teeth. It will improve the entire health of your mouth by keeping the surrounding teeth in position and can also help maintain the structure of your face and jaw.

**Partials** – A removable prosthesis which replaces missing teeth. It is either supported by an adjacent tooth or gum tissue and is retained with clasps on precision attachments. It will improve the entire health or your mouth by keeping the surrounding teeth in position, restore the ability to chew, and can also help maintain the structure of your face and jaw.

**Esthetic Dentistry** – For the smile you have always wanted. Esthetic dentistry encompasses reshaping your teeth, applying veneers or bonding, natural-looking tooth-colored filings, restorative procedures and bleaching.

**Veneers** – A restorative procedure which changes the shape and overall appearance of your teeth. Thin overlays of porcelain are bonded to re-contoured teeth to re-create the smile you want.

**TMJ Therapy** – More and more patients have symptoms of temporal mandibular dysfunction (TMJ) or jaw discomfort. This therapy helps to relieve pain and restore natural chewing patterns of the teeth.

**Tooth Decay & Repair** – Utilizing an intra-oral camera gives both you and us the opportunity to see potential problems occurring in your mouth, such as decay or fractured teeth. Often a tooth with not start bothering you until there is significant loss of tooth structure. With the intra-oral camera, problems can be detected earlier, before you experience a toothache.

**Hygiene** – An integral part of maintaining your teeth for life is the removal of plaque and tarter on a regular basis. The frequency of your visits is based on your individual needs and oral health. During your visit we will update your medical history, perform an oral cancer screening exam, check your teeth for cavities, review oral hygiene instructions, and monitor your periodontal (gum) condition. Fluoride treatments are provided for children under the age of thirteen and for those adults when appropriate.

**Sealants** – Highly effective in preventing decay on the biting surfaces of your chewing teeth, sealants are a simple procedure in which a tooth-colored acrylic "coating" is painted onto the surface of the tooth. This effectively "seals" the deep grooves where decay is most likely to start.

**Athletic Mouth guards** – A soft plastic mold that is used to protect your teeth during athletic activities. Mouth guards are recommended for all athletes participating in contact sports.

State of the Art Technology - We offer state of the art services in computer scheduling, dental charting, clinical notes, and accounting. It also allows us to communicate with other specialists and medical doctors digitally in consultation. Intra and extra oral images of your teeth and facial forms are also made to help us diagnose, consult and inform you of conditions and needs for treatment. This gives us a total diagnostic evaluation of your dental condition and allows us to offer you're the best treatment that dentistry has to offer.

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