

Disclosures About Popular Procedures:

1) Teeth Whitening

Laser teeth whitening vs Zoom teeth whitening (UV light)

These two procedures are almost exactly the same in performance and comfort. Laser whitening is slightly more comfortable because it uses laser energy which is not absorbed as heat by the pulp of the tooth.

Both procedures use the same bleaching agent (40% hydrogen peroxide) and thus they both give exactly the same performance for whitening.

Teeth whitening works well for most people, however, there are no guarantees it will work for you. There are some people that have dense enamel and those people do not get any results at all.

Others get a temporary result that only lasts for a week or two, due to dehydration of the tooth during the bleaching process.

Some people get a permanent result of 1-2 shades whiter. It all depends on your genetics and the composition of your enamel.

Most people experience a significant amount of cold sensitivity and tooth pain for the subsequent 48 hours, but this tooth pain typically resolves within 48 hours time.

We charge for the chair time and the materials, thus we offer no refunds for cases that have poor results.

2) Invisalign Disclosures:

All revisions will cost the patient \$150 for the cost of obtaining new impressions.

Regardless of the reason revision is needed, the patient is always responsible to pay \$150 extra for each revision impression appointment.

Patient must wear their aligners 22 hours per day, every day, and only remove them to eat or perform hygiene.

Patient must wear retainers every night for 10+ years to retain their ortho results.

We do not call to remind the patient about upcoming aligners that need to be delivered. It is 100% the responsibility of the patient to call us and request appointments for aligner deliveries in timely manner with regards to the predetermined schedule of 1 week per set of aligners.

3) Dentures and dental appliances do not have any warranty.

Dentures are not always comfortable and we make no guarantee that your denture will be comfortable. It all depends on the amount of alveolar bone you still have and other factors too. Thus, we make no guarantees and offer no refunds. It will require 4-5 appointments and more than 45 days for the fabrication process under normal circumstances. Food is expected to stick under your denture when you eat. Your denture may move excessively sometimes and even fall out of position for some people.

4) Endosteal Implants (dental implants) have no guarantee they will be successful.

Sometimes implants fail and develop an infection with pus around them.

Removal of a failing implant is more difficult than placing it, and it's usually destructive for the surrounding bone.

We offer free removal of a failing implant only within 1 year from the time it was placed (exactly 365 days from the date of placement).

Bone grafting in that site at the time of removal will be offered to the patient (and strongly recommended) at the discounted price of \$700 per site as a courtesy to the patient.

(this is 50% discount from normal pricing as a courtesy to the patient)

5) "Bone grafting" and/or "gum grafting" is not guaranteed to work successfully.

Some people who purchase bone grafting (or gum grafting) are disappointed because the graft fails. Sometimes the bone doesn't grow sufficiently (or the gums don't remain in place). Thus, the patient accepts this risk of failure during graft procedures; and we make no guarantees about successful outcomes.

6) Dental Visit Recommendations:

We recommend every patient comes for professional cleaning & exam at least twice per year.

If you have periodontal disease then you can have only periodontal therapies (FMD, SRP, Perio maintenance).

If you have periodontal disease then you must come for at least 3-4 professional cleanings per year.

Please remind us to take x-rays if you want us to find cavities and infections on your teeth. ADA recommends full set of x-rays (FMX) once every 3 years. ADA recommends bite wings every 12 months.

Due to angulation and overlap problems, we often don't see cavities on x-rays. Thus, the patient should request to have us take x-rays on them as frequently as possible (according to ADA recommendations) to ensure we have every opportunity to see a lesion on an x-ray, and catch it early.