

Patient Instructions



Implant Crown Care

Implant crowns may feel like a regular tooth after they are placed, however, they require a bit of extra attention.

Having excellent home care is imperative to maintaining a healthy implant crown. Implants have the potential to trap food easier than your teeth because of their shape. It is important to clean around the implant well to **reduce the risk of peri-implantitis** (*infection of an implant*).

Here are some tips on taking good care of your implant and implant crown.

- ❖ Brush and floss your implant the same way you brush and floss your teeth
- ❖ **Soft picks** can be used between the implant and neighboring teeth to help remove plaque and food debris



- ❖ A **waterpik** is another tool that we find to be very helpful in taking care of implants - Our waterpik recommendation is below

[Cordless Waterpik Advanced Water Flosser- Model #WP-560](#)

The waterpik is an adjunct to brushing and flossing. The waterpik sprays water along the gum line helping to remove the bacteria that causes gum disease. We recommend this product for people who have crowns/bridges/implants or who have periodontal disease. This product is portable and waterproof (recommended to use in the shower). It is important to also continue the use of string floss.

Demo video can be found on Youtube with search "How to Use the Waterpik Cordless Advanced Water Flosser WP-560"

Please call the office if you have any questions!