

IMPLANT INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

IMPLANT CROWNS ARE TYPICALLY CEMENTED WITH LONG-TERM TEMPORARY CEMENT. THE REASON FOR THIS TYPE OF CEMENT IS BECAUSE IT MAKES IT EASIER TO REMOVE THE CROWN IF THERE ARE ANY ISSUES WITH THE UNDERLYING IMPLANT PARTS BELOW THE CROWN (I.E. SCREW OR POST/ABUTMENT). SINCE THIS IS TEMPORARY CEMENT, IT MEANS THAT OCCASIONALLY A CROWN MAY COME LOOSE. IF AN IMPLANT CROWN DOES COME OUT, THE GUM TISSUE CAN QUICKLY OVERGROW THE IMPLANT AND MAY REQUIRE US TO USE A LASER TO TRIM BACK TISSUE. IT NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED ASAP.

IF A CROWN COMES LOOSE OR COMES OFF - HERE IS WHAT YOU NEED TO DO.

- 1) CALL OUR OFFICE IMMEDIATELY 630.963.7766
 - IF THE OFFICE IS CLOSED, CALL OR TEXT THE EMERGENCY NUMBER THAT IS ON OUR VOICEMAIL (THIS NUMBER MAY BE DIFFERENT BASED ON WHO IS COVERING THE OFFICE)
- 2) ATTEMPT TO PLACE IMPLANT CROWN BACK IN YOUR MOUTH BY LOOKING IN THE MIRROR AND ROTATING CROWN UNTIL IT SEATS ALL THE WAY DOWN. IT WILL ONLY FIT ONE WAY
- 3) If on vacation and unable to come in to the office within 24-48 hours, try to purchase temporary material at the store. We recommend Dentemp Maximum Strength (Repair lost fillings and loose caps)





- A) CLEAN CROWN OUT THE BEST YOU CAN SO THAT YOU SEE THAT THERE IS NO REMAINING WHITE CEMENT IF POSSIBLE
- B) STAND IN FRONT OF MIRROR AND TRY IN CROWN OVER THE POST (SEE PHOTO ABOVE). MAKE SURE YOU KNOW HOW IT FITS IN YOUR MOUTH. NOTICE HOW IT SHOULD BE TIGHT FITTING- THERE IS LITTLE SPACE BETWEEN THE CROWN AND YOUR IMPLANT POST
- C) APPLY A VERY THIN LAYER OF MATERIAL—ONLY LINING THE WALLS OF THE INSIDE OF THE CROWN
- D) PLACE ON YOUR IMPLANT POST AND SLOWLY BITE DOWN- YOU MAY SEE SOME EXCESS MATERIAL COME OUT AT THE GUMLINE
- E) ALLOW MATERIAL TO SET FOR A FEW MINUTES WHILE BITING DOWN
- F) REMOVE ANY EXCESS MATERIAL THAT YOU CAN
- 4) Eat on other side and try to have softer foods. Nothing sticky or too hard

HOW TO PREVENT A CROWN FROM COMING OFF

- <u>Avoid Stickier foods</u> or chewing gum - <u>Pull floss through your teeth</u> at the gumline rather than "snapping" floss up/down - <u>Wear a night guard</u>. Often times the stress of grinding or clenching can loosen an implant crown