

Let's Talk About Teeth

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THE MOST NATURAL REPLACEMENT OPTION

It is estimated that more than two-thirds of adults between the ages of 35 and 44 have lost at least one permanent tooth to an accident, decay or gum disease. Thirty years ago, the only option for these people and others with missing permanent teeth would have been a fixed bridge or removable denture to replace the missing tooth (or teeth). More recently, however, dental implants are fast becoming the best tooth-replacement option for most individuals. Unlike fixed bridges, which attach to adjacent teeth, and dentures, which rest on the gums, dental implants are rooted directly into the jawbone. As such, they function like a natural tooth root to firmly anchor the replacement crown permanently in place. P.S. Dental implants discourage the bone loss that otherwise accompanies the loss of a permanent tooth.

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