

The Parkstone Dental Practice

Care of your recently uncovered implants

Congratulations you have successfully proceeded to the next stage of your implant treatment.

All of the clinical indications suggest that your implant has now attached to your bone. The next stage will involve forming new healthy gum tissue around the treatment area.

At present there are two possibilities. You may have a small grey healing collar in your mouth or conversely you could have a crown or a bridge. In either case it is important that you keep the gum tissue around the area very clean, otherwise the tissue will become infected, delaying healing and also spoiling the eventual appearance around the final tooth or teeth.

When cleaning the area, brush the gum down over the healing collar or tooth. The gum may bleed or feel slightly tender. However it is important to stimulate the gum with the toothbrush as this will help to harden and shape the gum producing a pleasing more natural appearance in the region.

In certain situations you may be advised to use a mouthwash in addition to regular cleaning. The area should be cleaned gently at least twice a day, morning and evening and after meals.

It is extremely important during this period should the healing collar or crown not work loose to return to have it tightened, as this may affect the newly forming gum.

If at any point you are concerned or feel that there is a problem, please do not hesitate to contact the surgery.



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