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Dentistry has made significant,

profound advancements in recent years. Progress has been made in leaps and bounds in all aspects, from behind the scenes technically to how we deliver care. For example, computers frequently mill our dental restorations and computers digitally create our "x-rays." Hopefully, the image and memory of Steve Martin, playing the dentist in "Little Shop of Horrors" is receding as a dim memory as dentists today profoundly affect quality of life rather than just addressing pain and disease issues.

Two of the most exciting procedures that our practice performs include porcelain "smile-makeovers" and "same-day teeth" implant procedures. We have seen new porcelain smiles created that bring new confidence and a better self image. We also have seen same-day teeth implants enhance self-esteem, restore the ability to enjoy food, and simply allow comfort, both physically and emotionally. In both situations, patients are delighted with the outcomes—life altering events orchestrated by caring dental professionals.

Smile Makeovers

So-called "cosmetic dentistry" has really come of age since the 1970's. Many remember the bonding craze dentists started once they were able to chemically bond resins to tooth enamel. Soon after that, dentists bonded porcelain facings to the enamel and, as bonding technology has improved and

porcelain technology has progressed, the ability to deliver all porcelain smiles that are vital and life-like are available if your dentist has the proper training. The recent makeover TV shows illustrated what dentists have argued for years, that the smile is critical to overall appearance. If a person is dissatisfied with their smile, a careful analysis of their bite, periodontal health, and dental health and how their smile fits their overall facial form, is performed. Patient and doctor decide what type of smile is appropriate.

A "smile makeover" is performed in two visits. During the first visit, the teeth are prepared and a plastic prototype provisional is made as a mock-up for the final teeth. Alterations are made to this provisional until everyone is satisfied with the preview smile. Unlike plastic surgery, one actually sees and can alter the final product to one's satisfaction. Once the patient and dentist are pleased, the laboratory utilizes the approved provisional as the template for the final teeth, from photos and models. On the second visit, the porcelain restorations are bonded in place (often ten teeth at a time). The new bonding agents affix to dentin and enamel. The teeth are so vital and life-like with modern porcelains that it is amazing. Even more amazing are the tears and transformation, which we witness on a daily basis.

Porcelain Veneers are like Botox for the teeth. They are minimally invasive with minimal recovery time and the alteration to confidence and self esteem can be profound. Personally, it is tremendously rewarding—dentists are changing lives.

Same Day Implants

Implants are predictable and routine.

In addition, the healing time has been much reduced and/or eliminated in many cases. People have found an increased quality of life. Enhanced smiling, eating, talking and chewing, and a renewed confidence are the result of this advanced dental technology.

Smile and the world responds kindly. Interestingly, we dentists who do these procedures see that the person, after the new smile, finds that new spouse, or gets the new position at work, but more often is no longer seen in a negative light because now they can smile with confidence!

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