



NAPA SONOMA

ORAL SURGERY & DENTAL IMPLANTS

IMPLANT AFTERCARE

An implant has been placed in your jaw. Special care must be taken until the implant has healed in the next 3-4 months. If a sinus augmentation procedure was performed, the implant may take up to 6 months to heal.

1. If an antibacterial mouth was prescribed, rinse for 30 seconds twice daily, starting the morning. Continue to rinse until your 2-week follow-up.
Note: Some rinses may cause temporary staining of your teeth.
2. Do not use a Sonicare or any other electric toothbrush on the healing abutment. It is ok to use an electric toothbrush on your other teeth the following morning.
3. You may start to brush the implant with a regular toothbrush two weeks after the implant was placed.
4. No drinking through a straw or sucking on anything for one week.
5. It is very important to avoid chewing on the implant site during the healing period.
6. Avoid smoking as studies have shown that it increases the risk for implant failure.
7. Make sure you return to see us in one to two weeks for your follow-up appointment.

Strict adherence to these instructions will help ensure the success of your implant. Please call us at any time if you have any questions regarding your aftercare.

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