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Do You Have a Patient Like This?



Here's the story of a patient who was referred from another dental professional...

If you have a patient with several missing, broken or worn teeth, they may be a candidate for a full mouth reconstruction with the assistance of a Prosthodontist.

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◆ Do you want another opinion on a complex case? Or to meet and share ideas?

There are many ways we can help each other by working together on complex cases and by sharing knowledge and experience. We'd like to invite you to lunch, dinner, or an office meeting to talk more about a difficult procedure or to share ideas. With your reputation for quality dental care, and our experience with restorative treatments, we can work together on advanced cases and both benefit! We're looking forward to talking with you on the phone or meeting in person.

Please call or email our office with specific days and times when you are available for a meeting...

CASE STUDY: Maxillary Full Arch Removable Implant-Supported Reconstruction

Patient Jane (not her real name) was referred to us by another dental professional in the area who was busy with their patient load, and Jane's needs were more complex than they wanted to manage. We met with Jane at her initial consultation, then had a follow-up visit to review our initial treatment recommendations.

Jane had dry mouth and severe adult periodontitis. She was aware of her condition and wanted to eliminate the "patch up" dental work she had received. She was not proud of her smile and felt embarrassed about the condition of her teeth. The current removable partial denture was not stable or esthetically pleasing and she could not function comfortably. She also had a severe lack of maxillary lip support and, due to excessive bone loss, she had excessive interocclusal space.

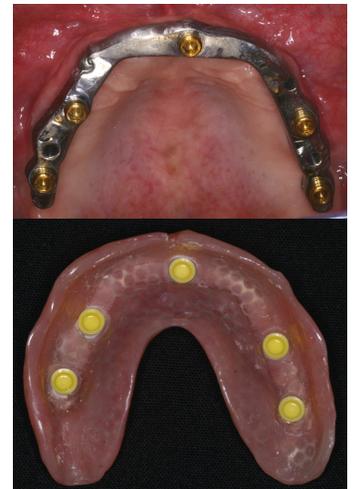
As prosthodontists, we have experience planning multi-stage treatment plans over several months, sometimes years. The diagnoses were maxillary and mandibular partial edentulism with periodontitis.

Her treatment included:

- eliminating disease by removing the remaining failing teeth,
- replacing all of her teeth with a maxillary implant retained bar and locator overdenture, and
- a mandibular locator overdenture.

A set of immediate maxillary and mandibular complete dentures were fabricated and delivered on the day of surgery. Multiple visits were needed during the healing phase to apply soft tissue liners and counseling on proper maintenance. Once the implants had integrated, we delivered a primary bar with 5 locator attachments, an overdenture, and a two implant locator overdenture.

She was very satisfied with the result since we were able to replace all of her teeth, give her lip support, a stable highly functional and esthetic prostheses. She understands that the Removable Implant-Supported Restoration requires specific hygienic care and maintenance. **We sent her back to the referring doctor's office for regular hygiene visits, noting in her situation to come to our office for an annual exam and maintenance of the removable prostheses.**



Do you have a patient in Jane's situation? Or another complex case?

If you have a question about a case and want another opinion, give our office a call. Or, if there's a case that you want to work together on, please fill out and send in the enclosed referral form.

We will take great care of the patient and keep you informed. Dental professionals refer to us as **The Complex Case Specialists™** because we perform complex cases every day.



Get the Latest Research On Procedures & Materials For Better Outcomes...

Three-Year Analysis of Fixed and Removable Implant-Supported Dental Prostheses: Survival and Need for Maintenance

Rehmann P, Rudel K, Podhorsky A, Wöstmann B.

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Purpose

The purpose of this retrospective clinical study was to evaluate the clinical outcomes of fixed implant-supported dental prostheses (FISDPs) and removable ISDPs (RISDPs) retained by telescopic attachments, the factors influencing survival, and the type and number of maintenance treatments required during the observation period.

Materials and Methods

This retrospective clinical study is based on patients who were provided with ISDPs between 2004 and 2010. Patient sex, type of prosthesis, location, opposing dentition, and the effect of continuous follow-up on the probability of a favorable outcome, as well as the number of maintenance treatments, were analyzed. A sample of 233 patients with 157 FISDPs and 76 RISDPs supported by a total of 567 implants was randomized and included in the analysis. The mean observation period was 15.9 ± 15.4 months (maximum, 66.0 months).

Results

- During the observation period, 3.9% of prostheses (7/157 FISDPs and 2/76 RISDPs) ceased to function and 2.3% of implants (13 implants) were lost.
- The mean survival time was 59.7 ± 2.3 months, with a survival probability of 90.2% after 3 years. Prostheses in the mandible showed significantly higher survival rates than those in the maxilla.
- Maintenance treatments had to be performed at an earlier stage for patients with RISDPs than for patients with FISDPs. In patients with a conventional removable prosthesis in the opposing arch, the time until maintenance was needed was significantly shorter.

Conclusions

Within the limitations of a retrospective study, it can be concluded that the FISDPs and RISDPs show equally good survival rates after 3 years in function. Conventional removable dentures required earlier maintenance than RISDPs, and RISDPs required earlier maintenance than FISDPs.

Have A Laugh: Gollum from the “Lord of the Rings” movie...

I hope I made you smile during your busy day!

I take the care of patients referred to me very seriously, including knowing how to educate them so they feel comfortable.

It's my goal to help every patient understand even the most difficult procedures, so they can regain the function and esthetics they desire.



ABOUT OUR SPECIALTY PRACTICE



Dr. Rowan Buskin

Dallas Prosthodontics is a specialty practice limited to fixed and removable prosthodontics including: dental implants, dentures, crowns, veneers and all phases of esthetic dentistry. In defining their Mission Statement Drs. Buskin & Castellon ask:

- Are we practicing in a truthful and sincere manner?
- Are we fair to ourselves, our staff and our patients?
- Are we building goodwill and better relationships?
- Are we benefiting our patients?
- Would we perform the same treatment on our own families?



Dr. Paulino Castellon

What patients say about Dr. Buskin & Dr. Castellon's dental work:

“After interviewing several dentists and specialists. Castellon and his staff were the only ones who took the time to LISTEN to what we wanted and what had brought us to him, and then explained in detail how he would get us to where we wanted to be. The outcome was better than expected and we are so glad we choose them for my procedure.” – Tony B.

“Dr. Buskin is not only an expert and perfectionist, but he is also such a good guy and easy to talk to. He will take the time to listen to you. He will not push you towards unnecessary procedures, and he will demystify complex situations. I trust that he has his patient's best interest in mind. He also has a very helpful staff.” – Neil P.

“I came in to Dallas Prosthodontics after having broken three teeth in a bike accident. They were kind and made the process of getting crowns not only less scary but very comfortable and it turned into a very positive experience.” – Christina C.

Learn more at: DallasProsthodontics.com

◆ Why other dental professionals work with a Prosthodontist

Prosthodontists are specialists in implant, esthetic, and reconstructive dentistry.

1. You have a patient requiring complex treatment outside of your typical practice.

Examples include patients with vertical dimension discrepancies, severely resorbed ridges, inadequate interarch space, TMJ, severe bruxism, traumatic tooth loss, or congenital abnormalities.

2. You have a patient with complex needs that may drain your time.

If your patient may require treatment from several specialists, Prosthodontists can help because they are trained to appropriately stage and manage complex treatment plans.

3. You have a demanding patient who wants perfect esthetics.

Examples include patients with a high smile line or needing a single tooth replacement in the esthetic zone. A Prosthodontist is trained in selecting the best solutions for high-demand patients.

4. You have a question and want to discuss a case with a colleague to ease your mind.

A Prosthodontist can be an excellent resource for you to ask questions because they are trained in many types of complicated treatments. For example, you may want to consult or refer to a Prosthodontist for complex implant-supported restorations. A Prosthodontist can work with you or complete the treatment for you to achieve the best in both function and esthetics.