

Patients and Opinions in Dentistry

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We know there are many options available when looking for a new dental "home." In addition to feeling comfortable in the office, it's important to make sure the dentist and staff will do what is best for you. Part of being a new patient in our office involves having a complete set of x-rays to go along with the consultation and us listening to your specific wants and needs. This helps us to give you the best treatment plan we can by discussing your specific desires and goals and making sure you leave well informed. We welcome any new patients wanting a second opinion, and we are happy to steer you to another office or specialist so they can give their opinions as well.



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There are many ways to assist patients with their dental health. We will explain these options to you and review which ones will benefit you the most in accomplishing all of your desires. At your initial consultation appointment we will take a complete set of x-rays unless you have a current set as well as any intra oral pictures of your teeth. These x-rays will give the dentist a complete view of all of your teeth and the roots. While a physical examination can find noticeable signs of issues, some oral diseases are just not visible to the naked eye. X-rays can detect even the slightest traces of oral health problems at their earliest stages, such as cavities, gum disease, oral infections, and even some type of tumors. Early detection is key to getting the treatment you need before problems really start to develop.

With our dentist fully informed with the x-rays, he will be able to talk with you and get a picture of what you would like the end result to be with your treatment. Each consultation is specific to your particular needs.

Sometimes the treatment plan may be as simple as in-office whitening or making take home whitening trays to brighten the smile. Remaking old crowns and redoing old, dark fillings is another option, and or to make all the shapes and colors match.

Sometimes the treatment is not as simple. Wearing a removable

appliance, such as a partial or a denture can be awkward and bulky for some patients. It does require some practice to be able to insert and remove it with ease and despite all the instructions given, some people are just never able to adapt. In cases like these options for implants may be the answer.

Call us to set up an appointment on what can be done to give you a beautiful smile. Please call at **352-746-3800**, visit our website <http://citrusdental.com/> or find us on Facebook