

TEETH IN AN HOUR . . . SMILES IN MINUTES

What are our credentials?

Providing patients with immediate dental function is really not new to Prosthodontics Intermedica. Board certified prosthodontists, Dr. Tom Balshi and Dr. Glenn Wolfinger have been actively researching, publishing and lecturing on this topic since 1989. Convinced that proper placement of the implants and meticulous engineering of the prosthesis could allow patients to smile and chew while they healed, their academic persistence paved the way for this now widely accepted solution to the plight of severe dental invalids.



Dorothy is interviewed minutes before Teeth In An Hour surgery by Anita Brikman of ABC Television.

ABC Television Network Health and Medical Reporter, Anita Brikman, profiled the story of our first **Teeth In An Hour** patient, Dorothy Gleason. With **Teeth In An Hour** at Prosthodontics Intermedica, Dorothy experienced a predictable miracle. In the space of an hour, she had a beautiful new smile. Additional information about the "PI" team's experience and publications can be found on our website.



Clear denture as a guide during CT-Scan

Is the procedure expensive?

Dental implant treatment by its very nature is a big investment. To be accomplished, it requires skilled experienced professionals who work with each individual's highly customized treatment plan. The equipment is technologically sophisticated, the materials are intricate and valuable, and all of this is subject to meticulous sterile detail.

Still, **Teeth In An Hour** can be less costly than more traditional dental implant treatment. This is because it significantly reduces the time commitment for both the patient and the doctor. Most patients who prioritize their smile and opt for dental implant treatment regard the cost as a worthwhile lifetime investment. Unlike the rest of the human body, the virtual "youth" of the mouth can be preserved right up through the age of one hundred. The concept of eating well for all of one's lifetime while sporting a timeless smile spurs many to "bite" from the Fountain of Youth.



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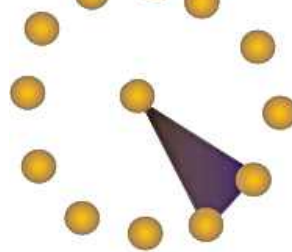
Schedule

- The initial clinical evaluation -- Understanding the problem, making the diagnosis based on clinical exam and x-rays and discussion of treatment options, including Teeth In An Hour™.
- Treatment plan -- A formal printed plan is reviewed in conjunction with standardized consent forms.
- Prototype teeth -- The patient's dentures are evaluated. New dentures may be required to determine the degree of facial support and establish an esthetic smile.
- Scanning denture -- A duplicate scanning denture is constructed. This device mimics the prototype denture.
- iCat CT scan -- A CT scan of the patient's jaw wearing the scanning denture is completed using our low-radiation iCat machine. Following the patient scan, a second scan is performed on the denture alone.
- Data conversion -- Digital files from the iCat scans are reformatted using the Nobel Biocare Procera System software. The software converts the CT data into a three-dimensional image of the jaw and denture.
- Virtual surgery - The surgeon/prosthodontist performs virtual surgery on the 3D image. The file from this virtual surgery is then transmitted through the internet for fabrication of the surgical guide.
- Robotics -- At a robotics facility, the data files containing the surgical plan are used to three-dimensionally reconstruct the patient's jaws. A special surgical guide is then constructed to assist the surgeon with implant installation. The guide and all necessary surgical components are carefully packaged and express shipped to Prosthodontics Intermedica.
- Fabrication of teeth - Using the surgical guide and the models of the jaws, the final set of teeth are fabricated in the laboratory.
- Final inspection -- Upon completion of the laboratory work, the surgeon/prosthodontist examines the shape and size of the teeth and checks the components for accuracy before scheduling the patient for actual surgery.
- The one surgical visit -- The implants and teeth are surgically installed with the aid of the computer generated materials, usually with only local anesthesia. The surgical procedure requires no incision, no sutures and little post-operative swelling or discomfort. The Teeth In An Hour surgery and your new esthetically pleasing smile usually takes less than sixty minutes to complete.

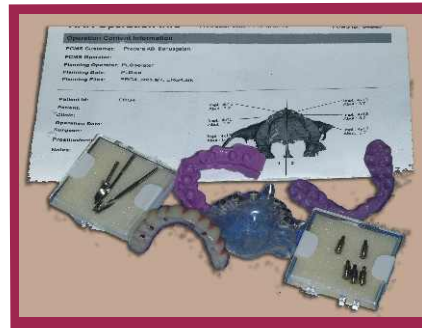
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Does it hurt?

Dental implants and the creation of a prosthetic smile can be accomplished with minimal or no discomfort using local anesthesia; however, for patients who suffer from apprehension or anxiety, our board certified anesthesiologists provide gentle assistance, allowing our patients to wake up with a beautiful new smile.



As with all extensive dental treatment, some patients will experience tenderness in the mouth, mild swelling or the appearance of slight facial bruising for several days following the procedure. The use of ice packs and normal dosages of standard pain medication generally allows patients to be quite comfortable through this brief healing period.



Materials are shipped from Sweden to the laboratory for completion of the prosthesis then delivered to Prosthodontics Intermedica.

Am I a candidate?

Teeth In An Hour is currently being used for patients who wish to replace their dentures with permanent teeth. The fast-moving pace of modern dental technology allows for a single tooth, a partial denture or a complete denture to be replaced. This will enable more patients to experience the joy of new self-esteem, the natural result of an attractive smile. The final determination will be made by the surgeon/prosthodontist when the patient has been fully evaluated.



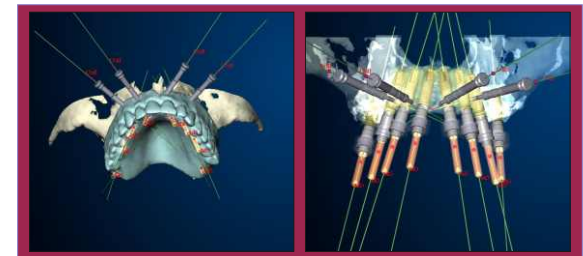
A patient undergoes a CT scan using the low radiation iCat machine.

Is this treatment available in most dental offices?

No. The "immediate loading" of dental implants with **Teeth In An Hour** is a relatively new concept in dental care. Prosthodontics Intermedica selected as a pre-launch site for testing and feedback of the Teeth In An Hour protocol. The center conducts training courses to doctors across the United States. In order to provide these "predictable miracles," the staff must include experienced dental specialists with advanced training in implant placement and implant prosthodontics. The sophisticated laboratory work is done overseas in one of the most progressive and refined lab facilities in the world.



The prosthodontist uses special software to perform "virtual surgery" on the patient's CT-Scan. When complete, the surgical guide is fabricated.



Implants are surgically placed on computer.