

Multiple Implant Bridges

If you're missing several teeth and want to replace them with a realistic looking alternative, multiple bridge implants may be the suitable solution for you. The procedure involves placing a titanium implant into the jawbone, screwing an abutment onto the implant and then attaching a series of crowns on to create natural looking teeth.

Treatment Preparation:

Before any work takes place, our experienced and professional dental team will discuss all of your concerns and conduct a thorough examination of your teeth. This will include reviewing your dental history, taking x-rays of your mouth and creating moulds of your teeth and gums. We may also take a CT scan of your teeth to determine where your sinuses and nerves are to ensure that these are not affected by the implants.

If your jawbone is too soft or not thick enough to support the implant, you may need a bone graft, which will take place before fitting the metal post. If so, you will need to wait for this to fully heal before the procedure begins, which takes approximately five months.

Treatment Process:

After considering the most suitable position for your multiple bridge implants, a periodontist or oral surgeon will then remove the roots of your missing teeth and place the implants into your jaw. You'll then have to wait for the dental implants to fuse with your jawbone and fully heal, which may take several months. We'll then create a small incision to expose the tops of the implants and place a healing cap on the head of the screws, which ensures the gum heals correctly.

The next stage will be to determine what kind of bridge implants will be most suitable for you. For example, they can be held with cement or screws and can be attached directly to the implant or an abutment.

If you're opting for your multiple implant bridge to be held in place by screws, we will remove the caps and attach an abutment to the implants. A temporary bridge is then attached to the abutments for up to eight weeks, which protects the multiple implant bridge from the pressure of chewing.

On your next visit, we will test the metal framework of your multiple implant bridge to ensure the fit is correct. If this is successful, we will then complete the rest of the bridge, which will be placed and secured to create a natural and realistic looking appearance.

Benefits:

Opting for multiple bridge implants can provide you with a variety of benefits. They will feel more secure and comfortable than partial dentures, which typically rest on your gums. Comprised of titanium, single dental implants fuse with your jawbone, which therefore means they won't slip, make noise or cause damage to the bone.

Another benefit of this procedure is that, unlike regular bridgework, the materials will not decay.