



DRUGS AND MEDICATIONS

Antibiotics and analgesics and other medications can cause allergic reactions causing redness and swelling of tissues, pain, itching, vomiting, and/or anaphylactic shock (severe allergic reaction).

CHANGES IN TREATMENT PLAN

During treatment it may be necessary to change or add procedures because of conditions found while working on the teeth that were not discovered during examination, the most common being root canal therapy following routine restorative procedures.

REMOVAL OF TEETH

If the teeth are savable/restorable, the alternatives to removal of teeth are root canal therapy, crowns, and periodontal surgery, etc. Removing teeth does not always remove all the infection, if present, and it may be necessary to have further treatment. The risks involved in having teeth removed, some of which are pain, swelling, spread of infection, dry socket, loss of feeling in my teeth, lips, tongue and surrounding tissue (Paresthesia) that can last for an indefinite period of time (days or months) or fractured jaw. You may need further treatment by a specialist or even hospitalization if complications arise during or following treatment, the cost of which is my responsibility.

CROWNS AND BRIDGES

Sometimes it is not possible to match the colour of natural teeth exactly with artificial teeth. You may be wearing temporary crowns, which may come off easily and you must be careful to ensure that they are kept on until the permanent crowns are delivered. Your final opportunity to make changes in my new crown, bridge, or cap (including shape, fit, size, and colour) will be before cementation.

DENTURES, COMPLETE OR PARTIAL

Full or partial dentures are artificial, constructed of plastic, metal, and/or porcelain. The problems of wearing these appliances include looseness, soreness, and possible breakage.

The final opportunity to make changes in my new dentures (including shape, fit, size, placement, and color) will be the "teeth in wax" try-in visit. Dentures may require relining approximately from three months after initial placement. The cost for this procedure is not included in the initial denture fee.

ENDODONTIC TREATMENT (ROOT CANAL)

There is no guarantee that root canal treatment will save my tooth, and that complications can occur from the treatment, and that occasionally metal objects are cemented in the tooth or extend through the root, which does not necessarily affect the success of the treatment. Occasionally additional surgical procedures may be necessary following root canal treatment (apicectomy).

PERIODONTAL LOSS (TISSUE & BONE)

Serious gum problems can lead to bone infection or bone loss and that it can lead to the loss of my teeth. Alternative treatments include gum surgery, replacements and/or extractions. Undertaking any dental procedures may have a future adverse effect on my periodontal condition.