CE Course Handout

Dental Hygienists as Gatekeepers for Implants

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Dental Hygienists as Gatekeepers for Implants

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Does the reason for tooth loss effect us as hygienists?

Implants as options for tooth replacements:
  - Single tooth
  - Multiple teeth (implant bridge)
  - Implant supported partials
  - All on 4
  - Over denture
  - Hybrid Fixed Bridge

Patient Selection
  - Diabetes
  - Smoking
  - Bisphosphonates
  - Poor Oral Hygiene
  - Age
Restorative Requirements

Quality and Quantity of Bone

Goals of Implants are to replace teeth, stabilize occlusion, preserve bone, maintain esthetics and restore mastication.

How are implants and teeth alike?

How are teeth and implants different?

Causes of Mucositis and Peri-Implantitis

Criteria for Mucositis

Criteria for Peri-Implantitis

Treatment for Mucositis
Treatment for Peri-Implantitis

Periodontal Examination for teeth verses implants.

Probing Implants

Implant Instruments

Home Care products

**Implant Maintenance Protocol**

use light touch with plastic probe

record probe depth, BOP, suppuration

baseline and yearly peri-apical radiograph

use plastic or carbon scaler to remove plaque

use plastic tip ultrasonic scaler or metal explorer (possibly scaler) to remove calculus

alter home care aids or techniques if plaque or bleeding present then re-eval in one month

refer to surgeon if pain, suppuration, increase in pocket depth or bone loss

3-4-6 month recall interval