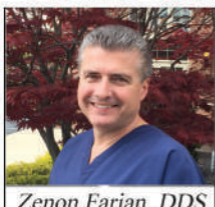


From the Dentist



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Are Your Teeth Making You Sick?

We all know that poor oral health can lead to cavities and gum disease. Old and failing dental work can be just as damaging as new cavities. But what many patients fail to realize is the great impact dental problems can have on your overall health.

Poor oral health has been linked with stroke, heart disease, endocarditis, respiratory problems, diabetes, and even pregnancy complications. Have you ever wondered why? Just as the mouth is the gateway for nutrition and oxygen to enter the body, it is also, unfortunately, the gateway for bacteria to enter the body. This has long been suspected, but recently been documented, as scientists have located the same strains of mouth bacteria in other parts of the body. When gum disease causes bleeding gums, mouth bacteria hitch a ride to other parts of the body and wreak havoc.

The remedy is restoring optimal oral health and function, and maintaining it, long-term. Anyone's oral health can be restored, regardless of its current state. If someone you know has avoided the dentist due to anxiety, we offer Nitrous Oxide (laughing gas) or Trazalem, a Valium type medication for fearful patients.

Don't Wait Until It Hurts

Sadly, many patients carry on with their lives knowing their dental problems persist. "I'll take care of it when it starts to hurt" may be a common approach but it's the worst thing you can do for your body. Treated early, decay and infection are a minor matter to correct.

Wait until it hurts and you'll need more expensive endodontic therapy and a crown! Let it go until it starts swelling and gives you a fever, and you'll soon be on your way to the ER with a life-threatening infection. There is a proven connection between the body and the mouth. We exercise, eat healthy, and take care of medical problems with regular trips to the doctor. Your teeth need the same care as the rest of your body.

Call Dr. Farian to schedule a consultation today!

Keep Smiling! And make it a good one!

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