## **Implant Placement**

Please follow these instructions for care for your implant

- Take all medicines that were prescribed to you, as directed. Over-the-Counter (OTC) medicines can be used to help alleviate discomfort
- Avoid the following:
  - NO NOT eat on the side of the implant placement site for 4-6 months, unless otherwise directed
  - o Smoking
  - Sucking liquid through a straw
  - DO NOT lift or pull on the lip or cheek to look at the sutures
  - DO NOT brush or floss near the surgical site for a few days. 2-3 days, brushing may resume doing so lightly for 4 weeks before returning to routine brushing and flossing
- Expect swelling, pain, and possible bruising at the surgical site
- During the 24 hour period following surgery:
  - Rest and avoid strenuous activities
  - Follow a soft diet for 2 weeks after surgery
  - Place light pressure and ice packs extra-orally over the surgical site (10mins on/10mins off
- A small amount of draining from the surgical site it normal; in the event of such bleeding, bite down on sterile gauze given for 30-45 minutes. If bleeding becomes excessive, contact the office immediately
- If any of the following problems occur, contact the office immediately to avoid further problems:
  - o movement or looseness of the implant or healing cap
  - $\circ \quad$  a peculiar taste from the implant site
  - o pain/swelling
  - o medications given are not helping with discomfort
- Return for post-operative follow up and suture removal, as directed

We have done our best to provide you with the finest quality oral restorations available today. However, only your continuing excellent oral hygiene and professional recalls can ensure optimum service and longevity.

Should you have any concerns about your implant placement or if you experience a fever of 101° or higher, excessive bleeding, unusual pain, or reactions to medications prescribed, please call our office at (815) 725-5991