

Sometimes you need more Than a Cleaning!

Gingivitis -inflammation of the gums, caused by bacterial plaque. An accumulation of plaque can cause red, swollen, bleeding gums. Severity of the gingivitis may require deep cleanings with medicinal irrigation, proven to be successful. The continued success of treatment depends on the removal of bacterial plaque and good oral habits.

Periodontal Disease- destruction of supporting structures of bone and fibers that holds the teeth and gums together in the jawbone. Much more serious than gingivitis because it is generally irreversible. Pockets between the gum and the teeth collect food and bacteria causing the destruction of the mouth. The pockets require a series of deep scaling and/or medication prescribed in order to arrest the disease. Periodontal disease is the major cause of tooth loss in adults and has also been linked to heart problems, low birth weight babies and lung disease.

Dr. Daniel A DelCastillo and staff strive to promote healthy mouths and excellent oral hygiene. We promise all of our patients to be open and honest with your overall oral condition and will cater your treatment plan to your individual needs. Our goal is to give you the best dental treatment 100% of the time.

Hygiene Treatment Available

Prophylaxis: A cleaning with dental instruments (scalers) and polish on the head of the tooth (clinical or anatomical crown) and slightly below the gum line in healthy gums.

Periodontal Scaling In The Presence of Gingival Inflammation: A deeper, more involved cleaning for patients who have localized or generalized gingivitis. With the use of deeper instrumentation and good oral hygiene, the patient's mouth can return to a state of health.

Irrigation or Hydrotherapy: The delivery of an antibacterial rinse along the gum line to reduce the number of microorganisms and help the healing process.

Scaling and Root Planning: The first line of treatment in non-surgical therapy.

Scaling – removal of tartar from the surface of the teeth.

Root Planing - removal of residual tartar from the root surface.

Scaling and Root Planing create an environment that encourages the tissues to heal and the inflammation to be resolved. Usually this procedure is done on multiple visits and the Doctor will anesthetize the area being treated.

Curettage: Promotes oral healing by the removal of dead, diseased tissue from the pocket.

Gross Debridement: The removal of plaque and tartar above the gum line. This procedure may be done prior to scaling and Root Planing to help reduce inflammation.

Dessensitization: Reducing or eliminating pain and sensitivity, with the use of a desensitizing agent applied to the teeth or exposed roots.

Fluoride Treatment: A preventative measure to help reduce dental caries in high-risk adults and children. Found to helpful in reducing sensitivity when used on patients with good oral hygiene. A composite-resin (hard plastic) material applied to chewing surfaces of the teeth to prevent bacteria and food from collecting in the pits and fissures. Clinically proven to significantly reduce the incidence of cavities.