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Your Dental Health Consultation and Second Opinion

With changing financial dynamics of our times I am finding myself exploring many different options when treatment planning with my patients. I thought I would take this opportunity to briefly discuss some of the different directions patients have available.

As I start to understand where my patients are with their overall dental health I ask them a couple of simple questions. The first is would they like the final teeth to be cemented in the mouth or is it ok if they come out of the mouth while they are sleeping? Once we have established what type of work they are interested in, I ask if they want to replace all of the missing teeth or just establish better function. By answering these questions we are able to start narrowing treatment options and start to discuss the timing of treatment and financial commitment.

From here it is very important to discuss with the patient the treatment direction we are headed and verbally walk them through their case. This allows the patient to best understand what we will be addressing at each visit and it also initiates an understanding that this is a team approach. All patients are encouraged to ask any and all questions and allowed time to decide what will be right for them. Once this decision has been made we are ready to start our work. Now the patient and dental team can properly work together and we are sure to be clear of any misunderstandings or confusion.

Comprehensive dentistry really is a team approach and there are always multiple ways to achieve a needed end goal of whole mouth dental health. If you have questions, concerns or would like a second opinion please feel free to call us at 941-924-7571. Second opinions and 30 minute consults are free. Take advantage of our knowledge and become an active part in your dental health and care.

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