Treatment planning maxillary anterior dental implants

Dental Implant placement and restoration in the anterior maxilla presents with unique challenges for dental practitioners because the goal is implant placement in such a way to allow creation of esthetic and functional restorations that are in harmony with adjacent teeth and the patient’s overall personality. During dental treatment planning a number of factors such as those related to bone and ridge dimensions, positioning of implants, gingival phenotype, and esthetic factors such as smile line and smile length affect maxillary implant restorations. Teeth related factors such as adjacent teeth shape, and shade all contribute to accomplishing esthetic outcomes for patients. The goal during treatment planning is to perform a risk assessment with the goal of identifying various limitations that exist to accomplishing esthetic outcomes and ways of overcoming them to ensure successful outcomes when placing maxillary anterior implants. This presentation reviews treatment planning in the anterior maxilla and presents some case reports involving single and multiple implant placement and restoration in the anterior maxilla.

Biography

Dr. Nkem Obiechina completed her training in periodontics and implant dentistry from Columbia University. She received her doctorate from University of Pittsburgh in 1998. She is the recipient of the Melvin Morris Award for clinical excellence in 2001 from Columbia University, and Northeast regional board award for excellence in periodontics. She is published in Dentistry Today as well as European Journal of Oral Sciences. She has written books on Periodontics and Implant Dentistry. She works in Periodontics private practice in San Francisco Bay area and New York, and is also a continuing education provider that continues to offer seminars and courses to dentists.

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