

PERIODONTAL MAINTENANCE

Periodontal therapy can be required for a variety of reasons. The reasons include the persistence of periodontal pockets that make proper cleaning of the teeth and gums impossible, the presence of infection and the loss of bone support to the teeth. Periodontal therapy is performed to reduce or eliminate these pockets, remove unhealthy tissue and to thoroughly clean the root surfaces of the teeth. However, due to many factors such as advanced state of disease, lack of adequate home care, nutritional or hormonal factors, etc, your problem may persist or even worsen with time and teeth could be lost in the future.

It is important that you are aware that the success of your periodontal therapy is largely dependent on you. You must follow the instructions for home care very closely to get a good result. You should expect increased sensitivity of the tooth roots to cold, heat or sweets. This normally decreases over time, but the intensity and duration of discomfort vary greatly from person to person. Please be assured that we will use the utmost care in performing this procedure and have every reason to expect success.

I have read the above and have discussed with the doctor the risk and treatment options of periodontal therapy. I understand there are always a chance of unexpected outcomes in dentistry. I hereby give my permission to proceed with the periodontal maintenance.

Patient's Name:

Patient's (or Legal Guardian's) Signature:

Date: _____