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“New Albany is truly blessed to have access to as fine a dentist as Dr. Ron Receveur. He is sought out as an expert in solving complex dental problems, which his patients once thought were impossible to fix. His commitment is exemplified by the **awesome smiles he creates. He is an excellent implant dentist, and he can help you chew comfortably with all the skills he has mastered.** As a fellow dentist, I have had the opportunity to see the work of hundreds of other dentists, and can honestly say Dr. Receveur is one of the finest dentists I’ve ever met.”

– **Dr. Buzz Hellickson**, Minneapolis, MN

“Dr. Ron Receveur is one of dentistry’s biggest assets. Southern Indianans are very lucky that he’s right in their backyard! In fact, wise patients travel to see him from all over the region because of the one-of-a-kind solutions he can offer to get you back to eating, chewing, and living life to the fullest. The skills, training, and passion he has for his profession means that he does dentistry well; especially if you have serious problems like missing teeth or a broken-down smile. He has the latest options available for you. So no matter how bad your situation, you can have a smile that ‘lights up a room.’ You can count on Dr. Receveur to give you a result that will look and feel good, work great, and last for many years to come. If you want comfortable chewing and a great smile, see him right away, you’ll be glad you did.”

– **Dr. James R. McAnally**, Implant & Sedation  
Dentistry, Clinician & Dental Author



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## Foreword

I wrote this book because quite frankly, I've grown tired of other people's pain.

I've been a dentist for many years, and I've seen too many people in pain due to missing teeth, or painful partials or dentures.

Not all the pain was physical, although there was plenty of that. It's tough to eat many foods comfortably when you can't bite or chew well. I saw plenty of people whose diet had narrowed to the point that they weren't getting a healthy mix of foods, and their health was suffering as a result.

I saw people who had been hurt by other dentists, and the resulting lack of trust led them to avoid getting the dental care they needed. Their teeth had decayed and fallen out, unnecessarily, because some dentist wasn't sensitive to their need for pain management.

But most of the pain that I saw was emotional.

I saw people who were too embarrassed or too afraid to smile. What that does to a person's self-esteem is terrible, not to mention the problems it can cause in their social and professional lives.

I saw people whose faces had sunken in due to their missing teeth, causing them to look older. That's a real blow to the self-esteem and to one's chances of finding a life partner.

I saw people who struggled with ill-fitting dentures that slipped in their mouths, that even popped out at inconvenient times. I saw people with sores in their mouths from the irritation caused by those dentures.

But above all, I saw people who simply weren't able to enjoy themselves, and life, the way they used to.

As you read this book, you'll learn my story and how I've devoted my professional life to helping people who are missing teeth. For right now, I'll just say this: no matter how bad your remaining teeth might be, no matter how many teeth you might be missing, and no matter how long ago those teeth left your mouth ...

**... there IS a solution.**

And you'll find it in this book.



# Introduction

## *The Guy Behind the Dental Mask*

You're reading this because you're interested in getting dental implants, or think you might be. Or you're looking for a solution to your missing teeth or denture problems.

Implants are a well-proven technology. They have a **great** track record of success and deliver consistently better results than other options to replace missing teeth. I'll tell you everything you need to know about implants in Chapter 2.

It occurs to me that the part you may not be sure about is the **dentist** who's going to do your implants. I hope it'll be me. I like to think that I'm at least as well-proven as dental implants – but of course, you don't know that.

So I think I owe it to you to tell you something about me, about how and why I got into dentistry and how I developed a passion for helping people get their teeth back using dental implants.

Or, if you're really not interested, just skip ahead. If you find yourself having doubts, you can always come back to this section.

### **In my case, anatomy was pretty much destiny**

I was born with a partial cleft palate and a missing front tooth –

what are known as congenital defects. This was way back before dentistry as it's practiced today, and I had to wear an awful, removable plastic partial to take the place of that missing tooth.

I was a kid. Believe me, it was not fun at all.

I'd take the thing out to eat and when I went to bed. Of course, there was that one night when I was sick and lost the partial down the commode. Let's just say that my dad was less than pleased.

I built up an extensive collection of unpleasant memories about this hunk of plastic in my mouth. While it wasn't as bad as having to wear a full top denture, I knew firsthand what it felt like to have the roof of my mouth covered by plastic.

And one of the worst things was that I couldn't eat normal food with the partial in place. When we'd go out to eat, I was too embarrassed to take it out, so I wound up ordering only soft foods that I could eat safely.

So, not only did I have a missing tooth and a mouthful of plastic – I was also missing the full effect of the flavors and textures of the foods I loved to eat!

My torment with the partial plate ended when I was a teenager. My father, bless him, had our childhood dentist make a traditional bridge to replace my missing tooth. Why a bridge? Because implants were barely thought of back in the 70s and 80s.

Back then, private dentists had only one option for placing a dental bridge. They'd grind down the enamel of the teeth on either side of the gap. The three-unit permanent bridge consisted of crowns on the ends to cover those ground-down teeth, and another full crown – the replacement tooth – to fill the gap.

Today, there are a number of better options for replacing teeth, but back then, I was thrilled with my bridge. It wasn't plastic and it wasn't on the roof of my mouth!

## Off to dental school I went

The replacement of missing teeth is only one part of the studies in dental school. Since I was very sensitive to that issue, I made a point of learning everything I could while I was there. But the real cutting-edge technology for tooth replacement wasn't covered in my studies while in school.

The thing that jolted me into looking for a better way happened in my fourth year. I decided to have my old ugly bridge removed and a new, more advanced one placed in my mouth. When the old bridge came off, I was in shock. My childhood dentist had **ground down one of my formerly perfect teeth to a toothpick!**

I'd been in dental school long enough to fully understand the process of placing a dental bridge, and the amount of enamel that had to be removed to secure the two crowns. So, I knew that the dentist, for no obvious clinical reason, had taken **way** more of the tooth than was necessary. And I was **not** a happy camper.

Right then and there, I vowed to myself that I would **always** try to do the right thing, in my mind, when helping patients with missing teeth.

Let me be clear about something before we move on. I don't have a problem with grinding down the neighboring teeth when, say, they already have large fillings. When I put crowns on those teeth, I'm actually making them stronger. But I have a real dislike for removing enamel on perfectly healthy, "virgin" teeth.

## After dental school, the search

Once I finished my studies and began my practice, I started looking for better ways to replace missing teeth that didn't involve grinding away healthy enamel.

In the early 1980s, I studied under Dr. Gus Livaditis. He was a pioneer with acid etching, bonding, and a new-at-the-time technique called the Maryland bridge. With the Maryland bridge, I needed to do very little to the adjacent teeth when placing a bridge, and I liked that **a lot.**

Unfortunately, not everybody is comfortable with new technology, including dentists. There were dentists in my hometown who claimed that Maryland bridges were “bad dentistry”! One dentist even testified in a lawsuit case (not mine, thanks!) that it was “unacceptable dentistry.” Talk about scary! Nonetheless, I knew better, and I continued to place Maryland bridges while realizing that some dentists might tell my patients that they didn’t approve of the technique.

I learned a valuable lesson, though: The quest for new technology and state-of-the-art answers for your own patients isn’t always an easy road!

I still place a few Maryland bridges today because they’re a nice restoration for missing teeth. I do get to use much better materials than when I started. However, I knew there were more answers to the question of how best to replace missing teeth.

## Enter dental implants

When I first heard about dental implants, I immediately recognized this was a subject that I **had to know more about**. I recognized that implants, *if they worked*, solved problem after problem after problem.

This was a “lightbulb” moment!

And I was really motivated to learn more, because I knew from first-hand experience that **missing teeth are a HUGE problem for people**.

Before we go on, I’m going to jump ahead just a bit. A dental implant consists of two parts. The first part is the implant itself that is placed into the underlying bone. The second part is the restoration that’s firmly secured to the implant – a solid crown for a single missing tooth, a dental bridge for several teeth, or even a full arch of teeth. A piece called the abutment connects the implant to the restoration.

Anyway, back to our story. Once I learned about dental implants, I began searching. By that time, there was a large amount of written information about implants. Already, they were known to work and work quite well. But it baffled me – why had we had so **little** education in dental school about this miracle that solved so many prob-

lems better than what I had been taught?

I spent quite some time studying what implants and attachments were available. Then, in the 1980s, I began solving my patients' problems with their dentures. My first patient, Kenny, had four implants placed to support his lower denture and keep his denture from cutting into his gums. It worked great, and I was thrilled!

Over the course of the next 10 years, we solved many problems, and I learned another hard truth: Dentists and patients are no different in some ways. Just like those dentists in my hometown, a lot of patients were leery of something so new, and they were a hard sell. The three things that seemed to be their main concerns were that implants were "new," that there was the possibility of "failure," and that "surgery (and the pain that goes with it)" was involved.

That's completely understandable, but I hope you can understand that I was sometimes pretty frustrated myself by my patients' reluctance. Still, I did quite a few implant cases every year during the 1980s.

The turning point came in the 1990s, when dental patients learned about orthopedic surgeons replacing hips, knees, and other joints with titanium. Patients receiving those titanium replacements had shorter healing times and easier recovery periods.

All of a sudden, it seemed, the idea of a little surgery to place a tiny titanium implant wasn't so scary or unacceptable.

During the 1980s and 1990s, I was involved in treatment planning and solving problems for hundreds of my patients with dental implants. Out of these hundreds of cases, I saw a success rate of more than 95 percent. With that level of reliability, I knew it was just a matter of time until dental implants would be "mainstream" and accepted universally.

### **And then my patients started complaining ... sort of**

I studied these implant cases a lot and felt very confident solving problems for my patients. However, in the 1990s, the field began to grow

quickly, and there were a lot of companies and doctors jumping in.

Up until then, I'd always had other doctors surgically place my patients' implants – doctors who had more surgical experience than I did. This worked out for a while, but eventually there were hurdles.

My patients trusted me and asked why I didn't do “the whole thing” (place the implant **and** the crown or prosthesis). Many of them had seen me solve some very complex problems for them and had a high level of trust in me.

My patients from the southern Indiana/New Albany area didn't want to go to another office or “drive to Louisville” to have the first half of their treatment done by some “other doctor” they didn't know. Some patients absolutely **refused** to drive across the bridge, period.

As the implant field expanded, more and more companies began manufacturing implants and all of the prosthetic pieces and parts. Sometimes the surgical doctor would choose an implant from a company I had never used before or an implant that he personally liked.

If you want to wind up with a headache, take it from me: Putting two doctors into the treatment of, and making decisions for, one patient is the **perfect** way to get a headache.

### **And then my patients began asking ...**

“Do I need two, three, or four implants to support my denture?” This is a BIG decision, in terms of time and expense. But it wasn't always up to me.

“How much does this whole process cost?” When you have two doctors, you have two fees. Sometimes, I couldn't tell them the total cost exactly. And then I'd get, “I thought I already paid for my abutment? You mean the surgical doctor didn't include the fee for the abutment in his fee?” Yeah, headache for both of us.

“Do I have to go back to the other office for my post-op? You said it looked great!” More time, money, and hassle for my patients.

“You and your staff are so nice ... *why don't you place implants* so I don't have to go anywhere else?” I didn't have a good answer for that for some time.

“How is this going to look?” And they'd ask this of the surgical doctor who doesn't do the crowns or the prosthesis.

Finally, I decided that if I'm going to be responsible for the final esthetic result, **I'd rather place the implant myself.**

That was the EASY answer to my patients' questions and hurdles in their treatment:

**I Should Take Total Control of  
All Aspects of My Patients' Treatment!**

Which meant I needed to get surgical training for placing implants.

**The traveling dentist ...**

So, after successfully treating thousands of patients with implants and Maryland bridges for missing teeth, I decided to seek out the very best doctors and knowledge in the field of the surgical placement of implants.

I started my implant education with Nobel Biocare, the largest implant manufacturer in the world. I studied their systems under Dr. Jack Hahn, a Cincinnati dentist who had placed more than 30,000 implants. I still use Nobel Biocare implants in some cases, but I wanted a broader knowledge base.

The Midwest Implant Institute in Columbus, Ohio, was the clear choice to get the advanced implant training I craved. Training is done “hands-on” under the supervision of Dr. Alfred “Duke” Heller, the founder. He has placed more than 35,000 dental implants and is an expert and an icon in the implantology field. Doctors fly to Columbus, Ohio, from all over the world to train under Dr. Heller, and I'm grateful for the opportunity to work with him – a true legend.

During my externship at The Midwest Implant Institute, I learned

that implants worldwide had more than a 95 percent success rate. I found other dentists who had formed into special groups to study and help each other with the proper use of implants, and those groups included doctors who had been doing implants for 30 years with much success!

And then I set my sights farther afield.

Dr. Paulo Maló is the world-renowned innovator of the All-on-4®\* approach to replacing missing teeth. I was fortunate to be invited to participate in an All-on-4 Clinical Residency at the Malo Clinic in Lisbon, Portugal. Dr. Maló flies to New York to treat patients that other doctors don't know how to handle. Patients from all over Europe and the world fly to Lisbon to have their care performed. It's a remarkable place!

My personal search for a great choice to replace missing teeth – all the way from my childhood – had **final closure**. I finally could feel good about the options I have to offer my patients who have missing teeth and denture problems.

I was one of 20 dentists from the U.S. to be invited to the Ilapeo Clinic and Neodent manufacturing facility in Curitiba, Brazil, in October 2015. In Curitiba, I performed implant surgery and was able to see firsthand new technology that is changing what I do on a daily basis. There are truly great options for my patients now, and later in this book you will learn why I named my book “Teeth for Life.”

### **Why I think you should choose me**

I perform complex restorative and implant dentistry in all its aspects, from the surgical placement of the implants to the replacement of missing teeth, on a **daily** basis, full time.

I'm a bit unusual in that respect.

It is hard to find a practitioner properly schooled and experienced in **both placement AND restoration of a broad range and types of dental implants**. I am proud and pleased to be one of those. And I am proud of the highly advanced training I received all over the world. I'm confident in my surgical and restorative skills. I hope

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that after reading this, you are as well.

The bottom line for my patients is that they ***go to only one place to get the work done*** instead of being shuffled back and forth between someone who places dental implants and someone else to put on the teeth. No more “running all over town.”

My dental clinic mirrors models like the Malo Clinic in Lisbon, Portugal, and the Mayo Clinic. Having our own in-house lab, state-of-the-art surgical suite onsite, and 3D CT scan right here in our office has allowed us to provide complex rehabilitative dentistry, dental implants, cosmetic dentistry, and IV sedation all in one convenient location.

And with everything under one roof, clinical care and communication among doctors, lab technicians, and our other care providers is maximized.

My staff and I have traveled all over the world for training so that we can offer comprehensive implant services all in one place – my office. We place implants full time. We place more than *500 implants each year*.

It means you’ll have one highly experienced doctor planning and performing your treatment, one bill instead of several, and a high level of satisfaction with the process.

I smile now, knowing I did the right thing. More and more with each passing year, the profession accepts that dental implants are **the** method of choice for replacing missing teeth.

**OK, enough about me. Let’s talk about you.**

We’ll get into this in depth in Chapter 1, but for now, let me just say this:

It doesn’t matter how long ago you lost one or more teeth.  
It doesn’t matter whether your existing teeth are in horrible shape.  
It doesn’t matter whether you have no teeth left at all.

**You can get your teeth back.**

In fact, you can get your teeth back and have a better experience than you ever thought possible.



“I was initially very anxious about spending so much money, but it is worth every bit of that money and I would do it again. There is no buyer’s remorse. It’s the best thing I’ve done for myself, ever.”

“I chose permanent teeth, because I had a lower denture for many, many years and I was so anxious not to have the frustrations of not being able to eat crunchy or chewy foods. But now I can eat anything I want. I eat caramel and peanuts and all kinds of things that aren’t good for me but that taste so good! My permanent teeth solved all my problems. I’m more confident when I speak, when I go out to eat.

“When Dr. Receveur told me that I would have very little pain, I was skeptical, but I not only had very little pain, I don’t recall having any pain. Knowing I could have everything done in one place was one of the factors that led me to choose Dr. Receveur because I didn’t want to have to go from place to place to place.”

– **JoAnn Clark**, Prospect, Kentucky

*To learn more about JoAnn’s experience with Dr. Receveur and New Albany Implants, go to [bit.ly/joannishappy](http://bit.ly/joannishappy).*

# Chapter 1

*You Can Get Your Teeth Back  
WITHOUT PAIN!*



“When I came to you, I was losing teeth and was not able to eat properly. Smiling was a thing of the past. We determined that extraction of the remaining teeth and placing dental implants, upper and lower, with eventual permanent teeth, was the preferred solution to my problem.”

“I was apprehensive that such extensive dental work would necessarily carry with it significant pain and discomfort and that recovery would be an agonizing process. That absolutely was not the case. At this point, six weeks following the placing of the implants, I have been amazed at the almost total absence of pain and discomfort. The implants feel

“good.” Not just tolerable, but “good.” The upper implants required more extensive reconstruction due to worse infection and abscesses, and that apparently contributed to a bit more pain and some swelling – but both lasted a grand total of two or three days, along with some modest swelling lasting the same amount of time. On a 1-10 scale, the pain never got above a 2 – just enough to let me know it was there.

“I used tramadol for 2 days, Aleve® for one, and that was all that was required for pain. Ice pack use took care of the swelling. (I have a very low tolerance for pain and, be assured, if the pain had been more significant, I would have let you know it.) But, there simply wasn’t any significant, major pain involved at any point of the process – not with the extractions, not with the setting of the implants, not with anything. The implants as noted feel good, and feel solid.

“The people at my office (I am an attorney, as you know) are amazed that the process of setting the implants has gone so well and has involved so little pain. They have commented that, except for the modest swelling, they couldn’t tell by looking at me that I have had any dental work done, judging by my appearance. (No significant facial changes.) Several have also expressed the sentiment that ‘you certainly seem to have picked the right man to do this work,’ and I heartily agree with that sentiment.

“Thanks again for doing such exceptional work and for having staff people who were informative, and compassionate, and supportive all along the way. Denise and your staff were fantastic to work with – as you have been through the process. It feels great to be able to eat now more or less what I want, and it feels

simply wonderful to be able to smile again. With the extensive tooth loss, I almost had forgotten how to.

“Sincerely, and with tremendous appreciation,”

– **Steven K. Robison**, Salem, Indiana

*To hear more about how Steve’s life was changed by getting implants from Dr. Receveur, go to [bit.ly/steveishappy](http://bit.ly/steveishappy).*

There’s no question that the prospect of getting dental implants can seem a bit overwhelming.

People who are considering dental implants have a lot of questions. Many of them have a lot of concerns. Those concerns generally involve pain, age, inconvenience, and money.

I promise that I’ll answer all your questions. Right now, I want to address your concerns.

### **Pain? What pain?**

When it comes to implants, we’re talking oral surgery, and almost everyone has heard horror stories about the pain, swelling, embarrassment, inconvenience, and long healing times that can be part of that process.

But as Steven’s story makes clear, implant surgery is in a class by itself. The vast majority of my implant patients have experiences similar to, or even better than, what Steven experienced.

Fear of pain is a basic fact of being human. Almost everybody goes to great lengths to avoid pain, and almost everybody is quick to reach for something to dull or relieve pain when they have it.

Dental pain seems to be a special case of fear. Quite often, there’s a good reason for it. Many people have had a bad, painful, or embarrassing experience at the dentist. Sometimes, there’s no obvious reason, but the fear is just as real.

I hate pain, myself. When I was a child, a trip to the dentist was hardly a pleasant experience. In fact, I can't remember one favorable memory from my childhood where visiting the dentist felt good. I remember fear, I remember pain, I remember wanting to be anywhere else other than in that office. Why? Because I hate pain!

And the only thing I hate worse than experiencing it myself is watching someone else experience it at my hand! That's why, years ago, I drew a clear line in the sand and decided to eradicate pain from my office.

Just imagine if you could "turn back the clock" and relive all those trips to the dentist and make them pain-free. I can't change the past, but I've gone to great lengths and great expense to ensure that the patients I work with these days have extremely powerful options for avoiding pain.

I'm very serious about the pain-free office. The way it works is through four different levels of "sedation." That's a technical term for powerful ways to relax you, put you at ease, and calm any anxiety you might be feeling.

When it comes to dental implants, I offer the deepest level of sedation – intravenous, or IV. That means I'll put you deeply to sleep so that not only won't you feel a thing, you won't remember a thing from your implant procedure.

However, the level of sedation you prefer is entirely up to you. Some people choose more modest levels of sedation, or none at all.

People are often worried about postoperative pain. As Steven's example shows, I prescribe some pain medication for you to take after the implants are placed, and provide lots of self-help recommendations to allow you to manage any other unpleasantness.

Look, I "get" dental fear because I've experienced it myself. I do everything in my power to make sure you feel nothing during the procedure and only minor, easily managed discomfort afterward – if that.

## **Am I too old?**

That's a common concern I hear from people in their 50s and 60s. Here's the truth: you're never too old. Age isn't really a concern when it comes to dental implants.

Your overall health and your desire to improve your quality of life are much more important things to look at than your age. We currently have patients from 40 years old to 97 years old who have had implants or are in the process of receiving them. There are reports of people in their 90s having this procedure done with no problems. In fact, we recently placed implants for a 95-year-old lady, Julia Cunningham, from Elizabeth, Indiana. She had worn an upper denture for nearly a year and hated it. She had most of her teeth until she turned 94, when she lost the last of her upper teeth. Julia said, "I don't care if I live six months or five years. I want to be able to chew my food and enjoy it. It's one of the simple things in life that I want to enjoy ... being able to go out to eat with my family." When she lost her teeth and had the denture made, Julia said it interfered with the two things that were the highlights of her week: going out to eat on Wednesday nights with her granddaughter and to Sunday dinner with her family.

Implants can improve your quality of life tremendously at any age. A recent study showed that most folks who wind up in nursing homes wear an upper denture. By that time, things have gotten so bad in their mouths that they can no longer wear their dentures.

When you can't chew, or can't chew comfortably, your diet and your nutrition suffer. That's the last thing any senior citizen needs. Implants can extend your ability to eat a variety of healthy foods, which just might help extend your life. They'll certainly improve your quality of life.

So, no, you're not too old.

## **Here's How WE Do It**

I talked about the runaround that patients can experience when getting dental implants.

Here's how WE do it.

We'll meet for your initial examination and CT scan, and a face-to-face consultation (a Roadmap, we call it). I want to know what's important to you. Some men say, "I just want to be able to eat my steak." Some patients want to know about being able to smile in public again.

Based on the results of the examination, CT scan, and consultation, I'll develop a treatment plan and a timeline. It may be that implants aren't the best solution for you, and that brings up another important point.

Despite what you might hear from some dentists, one type of implant procedure isn't right for everyone. There is no "best," there is only "the best choice for you."

Let me explain what I mean by that. From my perspective, dental implants offer one of the most effective and extraordinary solutions to missing or damaged teeth and denture problems that has ever been created. When you've seen as many transformations as I've seen, you'd have to be crazy to think otherwise.

And when I say "transformation," I'm not just talking about the look of someone's smile. I'm talking about how that new smile transforms the person behind it. How about the transformation to being able to chew your food, not just for the sheer enjoyment of your food, but also for your overall health?

In fact, I can think of quite a few examples where a simple dental implant procedure ended up creating an entirely new outlook on life for the person. Expect this, because it just might happen to you! When you have a smile you can be proud of, you are more confident, more "yourself," more interested in experiencing everything life has to offer.

And hopefully, you feel the passion that I have for helping people through this journey.

My experiences and my opinions about dental implants, however, don't necessarily make them right for you. After all, we all have our own set of priorities, likes, dislikes, and unique things that are



important to us. What you might not know is that, even within the world of dental implants, you have a lot of choices.

So, the first important thing you need to realize is that you have options for restoring your smile. That's something you won't hear from dentists doing only one type of implant or service. In fact, we occasionally see people who come into our office thinking their teeth are hopeless and that their only option is to have all their teeth removed and have dental implants.

You can be assured that we will only tell you about choices and treatment options that make sense. Sometimes, those choices don't even include dental implants. But the options we offer our patients will always be ones that we feel good about, and that we are confident will last long term.

One of the biggest complaints I hear is that people have spent "good money" every few years to save their teeth, and it has ended up being a "big black hole." "Big black hole" is an expression we use to describe when patients have spent their money to save their teeth, only to find out a few years later that the money was wasted. We only recommend solutions that we feel good about and are confident will last at least 10-15 years. We tell our patients that dental implants should last a lifetime (we'll talk later about our "Teeth for Life™" Lifetime Warranty on all the implants we place).

Let's assume that traditional implants are the best choice for you.

The entire process will be handled right in our office. In most cases, any needed extractions, your implants, and beautiful new teeth can all be done in one visit. With IV sedation, we can guarantee your comfort during your implant procedure.

Remember: Patients never leave our office without a nice smile.

Then, at 8-12 weeks, we will take impressions to start the four- to six-week process to make your permanent teeth.

Three to five appointments all in one office, one great dental staff, one all-inclusive bill, and a result that you'll love.

## **Aren't dental implants very expensive?**

It would be easy to think so, but that's not the best way to look at the cost of dental implants.

Dental implants are the single most durable and effective restoration you can get.

I talked about dental bridges in the introduction. Dental bridges fail, and they wear out. While no one knows how long your bridge might last, six to 10 years is a pretty good estimate. After that, you'll have to go through the trouble and expense of having it replaced ... if it can be replaced.

One of the main reasons that bridges fail is decay in the teeth anchoring the bridge. If those teeth can't be salvaged, you're looking at another, even longer bridge with the added costs of preparing the next adjacent teeth and the increased cost for the bridge itself.

Natural teeth, with their roots implanted in the gum and surrounded by bone, are able to exert more than 250 pounds per square inch.

Partials and dentures don't allow you to chew with anything like that amount of force. You'll have to be at least somewhat careful about what you eat. If you're wearing dentures, you'll often have to cut certain foods into small bites.

One thing I'll just touch on here is that the bone underlying your teeth needs the stimulation of the pressure of chewing to remain healthy. Dental bridges don't transfer the pressure to the bone; they transfer it to the neighboring teeth.

As a result, the bone begins to deteriorate.

Dental implants solve all those problems.

The implants themselves should last as long as you live – that's why we offer our "Teeth for Life™" Lifetime Warranty.

Implants restore almost 100 percent of your natural chewing pow-

er. And since the implant takes the place of the tooth root, implants transfer the pressure of chewing to the bone, which helps keep it healthy and strong.

If you're going to have one or more missing teeth replaced, you'll be investing money. It just makes sense to invest in the longest-lasting restorations with the greatest benefits – dental implants.

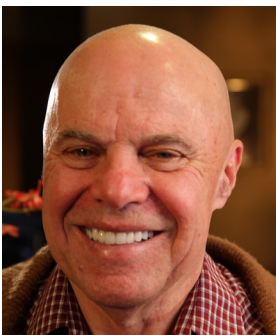
I can't tell you exactly what your dental implants might cost without performing an examination, taking a 3D CT scan, and doing some treatment planning. In fact, no dentist can shoot you a price without that kind of painstaking preparation, so I'd suggest you keep looking if someone quotes you a price sight unseen or without seeing a 3D CT scan.

What I can say is that I will provide the most cost-effective solution possible that will get you the best results.

### **Let's get to it.**

In the next chapter, I'll cover the implant and restoration process in some depth. I'm a firm believer that knowledge is power, and I want to empower my patients as much as possible without overwhelming them.

Once you know exactly how implants work, you'll see why they're the superior solution to replace missing teeth. And why I'm so passionate about them.



**“Every dollar I invested in my mouth has been returned fully, maybe with interest.”**

**“I can eat like I never ate before, chewing and cutting and tearing whatever is necessary, good steak or**

good bread or nuts. If I could in any way measure the type of life I have now a year after I did the procedure and put a monetary value to it, I would say that every dollar I invested in my new mouth has been returned fully, maybe with interest. If I would have to do it all over again I absolutely would do it, but I also feel that now, a year after having the procedure, I am qualified to recommend not just the procedure itself, but also Dr. Receveur and his staff, for anybody who is seriously considering reconstructing their mouth so they can speak, smile, and eat like they used to as a younger person.”

– **Avital Schurr**

*To see a video of Avital talking about the expense of dental implants and his desire to have all his work done in one office, go to [bit.ly/avitalishappy](http://bit.ly/avitalishappy).*

## Chapter 2

### *The Dental Implant Revolution*

“I hold the Guinness World Record for being the biggest coward. My fear kept me from getting my dental work done for years. Subsequently, my teeth got into really bad shape. I was so embarrassed by their condition. I was afraid Dr. Receveur would make fun of me or lecture me for putting off the work I needed.

“Dr. Ron listened to what I had to say. He didn’t try to talk me into any particular option. He was very detailed in explaining the pros and cons of all my options.

“I decided to have Dr. Receveur place several implants for me so I didn’t have to have a denture covering the roof of my mouth. I can taste my food ... the texture and the temperature. I can chew anything I want. It’s great!

“If I had known my dental experience was going to be like this, I would have done it years ago! He turned my nightmare into a wonderful experience!”

– **Brenda Waters**, Corydon, Indiana

“Dr. Ronald Receveur is head and shoulders above what you may have experienced elsewhere. Because of his advanced training and passion for doing challenging implant dentistry and doing it well, you can count on him to do your treatment right. For Dr. Receveur, this means giving you long-lasting, beautiful results.”

– **Rodney Holcombe**, DDS, Tampa, Florida

I started this book by telling you that dental implants are a very well-proven technology. Let’s dig a little deeper into just how successful they are.

### **Dental implants give predictable success**

Several published studies indicate that dental implants are more predictable long-term than many other more typical therapies in dentistry, including the often-used three- or four-tooth fixed bridge.

For implant-supported teeth, most clinicians report a success rate at 95 percent or more over a five-year period.

My own success rates are now **greater than 98 percent!**

Yes, there are failures with dental implants, but those happen far less often than with other types of teeth replacement. And, as you’ll learn later, I guarantee my work with our “Teeth for Life™” Lifetime Warranty.

So, if we decide that implants are the best solution for you, you can have confidence that you’re making the right decision.

### **Dental implants: decision factors**

#### *Your bone*

Dental implants are basically small but enormously strong titanium posts that are implanted in bone. The titanium posts are made from

the same material that makes joint replacements possible.

Once an implant has been inserted, the bone fuses to it. This process, known as osseointegration, is what makes dental implants so strong and secure. It's in there firmly and it's likely going to be in there for the rest of your life.

Ninety percent of the patients we see who have been told they don't have enough bone actually do have enough bone to have implants.

With our incredibly precise digital X-rays and our in-house 3D CT scan, I can determine at your initial Roadmap appointment what options are available to you.

But even if the bone isn't thick enough, we still have several options. One option is called bone grafting, in which extra bone is added to your existing bone.

There is always an answer to give you beautiful teeth so you can chew and eat the foods you love.

## **Diseased teeth and gums threaten your health**

Some people hold on to teeth that are diseased because they don't want to lose their teeth. But diseased teeth threaten your overall health, not just the health of your mouth.

**Gum and bone infections (periodontal disease) are very destructive processes** that cause not only loss of teeth but also of the remaining bone.

The damage caused by this disease is often extensive and permanent. It causes **severe** loss of bone that **could** have been used to support implants!

Gum disease (periodontal disease) causes an accumulation of bacteria on your teeth and in your gums ... which then travel to other parts of the body, wreaking havoc along the way:

- Heart disease is worsened
- Heart attack risk is increased by up to 200 percent
- Stroke risk is increased
- Arthritis is worsened
- The chance of low birth weight in babies is increased
- Gum disease predisposes you to illness generally
- Generalized decreased energy to cope with life
- Diabetic conditions are worsened; they're more difficult to control and maintain

Those with gum infections are estimated to live **6-10 years less** than those with healthy mouths!

If you've been hanging on to diseased teeth or trying to live with gum disease, I urge you to rethink that idea. It's possible that these diseased teeth can be removed and you can have a complete restoration of function without full dentures. Sometimes it's possible to treat some of these teeth and incorporate them, along with implants, into a fixed, non-removable full set of teeth.

### **All systems go**

If you're a candidate for dental implants, here's what you can expect.

Once you arrive at New Albany Implants for your appointment, we'll review everything we're going to do and what you can expect afterward. The length of the procedure depends in part on how many and what kind of implants I'll be placing.

If you've chosen to sleep through your procedure, we'll administer IV sedation to sedate you so you don't remember *anything* about your procedure. Rest well – my staff will constantly monitor your blood pressure and other vital signs to ensure your safety. You're in very good hands.



And you won't remember a thing about the procedure itself.

### **After your procedure**

I'll prescribe pain medication that you can pick up at the pharmacy to help you manage any discomfort, and we'll check up on you by phone that evening to make sure you're doing well.

You'll return after a period of healing – generally about eight weeks – to start the process of fabricating your new beautiful permanent teeth.

And you'll soon have teeth that feel and function like your natural teeth, and that look **great!**

### **Your beautiful new smile**

One of the truly awful things about missing teeth is the effect on your ability to smile and laugh freely. I've seen time and again the impact of missing teeth on people's self-esteem and their social interactions.

That's why I'm very pleased that I can offer the **One Day Smile Solution™** for my patients.

If you have missing or failing teeth, or denture problems, you might not believe it's possible to have a beautiful new smile All-In-One-Day.

Keep reading. You will!



“My wife was concerned with the cost, but eating the foods I like is great.”

“I've had the All-on-4\* on my upper jaw. I can eat corn again, I can eat an apple, I can chew a steak. I don't have to cut it in little baby pieces.

\* The All-on-4® treatment concept is a registered trademark of Nobel Biocare Services AG.

It's been a year and a half and I would recommend it to anyone. Getting back to eating some of the foods I've always liked to eat is great.

“I live here in southern Indiana, and I've had some work done in the past where I've had to go across the river, back here, one dentist does the new teeth or the implant, another one strictly pulls teeth ... so to have it all done here, in one office, was great for me. I didn't have to deal with two different places, and Dr. Ron makes it a pleasure to do business with him and his whole staff. Everything Dr. Ron said rang true and it was quite pain-free.”

– **James Halas**

*To see a video of James talking about his wife's concern about the cost and how happy he is with his ability to chew, go to [bit.ly/jamesishappy](http://bit.ly/jamesishappy).*

## Chapter 3

*A New Smile in One Day?  
The One Day Smile Solution™!*



“My confidence in myself was immediately restored. Now I feel beautiful, and I am no longer afraid. I left with amazing teeth.”

“My mouth was a mess. Other dental professionals told me what might be done to hopefully contain the problems that plagued me, with zero regard to how scared I was.

“I was skeptical about seeing someone so far away (three hours). At my first appointment, Dr. Receveur told me, ‘No one leaves here without teeth,’ and ‘You’ll never have to be embarrassed anymore.’ I had never heard those words before. When I cried,

it was simply out of being overwhelmed with hope.

“I was expecting a lot of pain, but you didn’t hurt me at all. My confidence in myself was immediately restored. Now I feel beautiful, and I am no longer afraid. I left with amazing teeth.

“Even if you have to travel hundreds of miles, anyone searching for answers to seemingly insurmountable dental problems should seek out Dr. Receveur. I cannot thank you enough for the gift of restored health, beauty, and self-confidence.”

– **Melissa Bolton**

What is the “**One Day Smile Solution™**?”

What I’m going to tell you is amazing, and I’m so excited that I can offer this!

**Years of dental problems, neglect, and failed dentistry** can be reversed All-In-One-Day.

That’s right – in **one day**!

Did you know that more than **40 million people** in the United States are missing all of their teeth? No one knows how many millions of those people are suffering with poor digestion and an inability to chew and enjoy their favorite foods. And how many are embarrassed to go out or to be around family and friends because of their smile and missing teeth?

Not only that, but these people tend to look **older** than they actually are. This results in dentures or partials that repeatedly need to be relined or remade. It also results in ***creases and wrinkles in the face.***

The space between the nose and chin decreases. The nose then appears larger or more prominent. The face looks like it is frowning when at rest because the corners of the mouth pull down and form

creasing. The lower part of the face looks fallen in. The chin looks like it comes to a point or a “witch’s chin.”

Our **One Day Smile Solution™** provides an innovative new solution for those suffering from these dental issues in a more cost-effective, permanent way. We can usually eliminate the need for extensive bone grafting, and we’re able to help many people who’ve been told they “don’t have enough bone.”

There is a solution.

### **How it works**

The fixed permanent solution may just be the ultimate dental implant solution. Using new innovative technology, you can have non-removable teeth in just one day.

In One Day, you can have any needed extractions, your dental implants placed, and leave our office the same day with beautiful new teeth. Our patients **NEVER** leave our office without beautiful teeth to smile with! **Beautiful new teeth permanently attached in one day!**

Before this new technology was introduced, patients wanting permanent dental implants had to suffer more expense, longer treatment times, more bone grafting, and more uncomfortable procedures.

I mentioned Dr. Paulo Maló of Lisbon, Portugal, with whom I trained. He’s the innovator of the All-on-4® treatment concept.\* All-on-4 is a complete arch of permanent teeth on four to six dental implants. Unlike dentures, there’s nothing in the roof of your mouth, so you can still enjoy the temperature, flavor, and texture of your favorite foods. And you never have to remove your teeth like with dentures!

Dr. Ron Receveur and his partner, Dr. Brad Frederick, have trained all over the U.S. and internationally, in places like Portugal, Brazil, and the Dominican Republic, to stay abreast of recent advances in dental implant dentistry. This allows us to offer our patients the most advanced array of dental procedures in the region, tailored

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to your individual oral health needs, such as the **One Day Smile Solution™**, which ensures your treatment is finished in the shortest time possible.

### **Not enough bone? No problem.**

The **One Day Smile Solution™** technique places the implants in the frontal bone, which is denser bone. The back implants are placed at an angle to avoid the sinuses and nerves. This helps avoid sinus lifts and bone grafting. In fact, 90 percent of the patients we see who have been told they're not candidates for traditional dental implant options are candidates for this procedure.

The dense bone in the front of the jaw allows us to place a longer implant, with a much less invasive procedure, without entering into the sinus cavity on the upper arch. Ninety-five percent of our patients who have the One Day Smile Solution™ require only a three-month healing period. That's significantly shorter than the old, conventional approaches.

So, here's what it looks like: You walk in with no teeth, or badly decayed or worn-down teeth, and you walk out the same day with a **complete arch of beautiful, completely functional, and permanently attached new teeth!** With IV sedation, you won't have any memory of your time with us!

We'll fit your temporary teeth to the implants we just placed in your mouth. We'll also go over postoperative care and how to care for your new teeth while you're healing.

You'll wear those temporaries for 8-12 weeks to allow bone to fuse to the implants. You'll love your temporary teeth. They look great!

One of the advantages of the healing period is that you can live with and evaluate your new temporary teeth. If you want any changes in the color, size, or length, we can discuss those details when we fabricate your new beautiful, permanent teeth. Many of our patients have suffered with a smile they're embarrassed with for many years.

At 8-12 weeks, we'll take an impression to start the four- to six-week

process of giving you gorgeous new teeth that will allow you to smile confidently and eat the foods you love.

### **Benefits of the One Day Smile Solution™**

- Requires minimal recovery time (most patients only take off work the next day!)
- Reduces overall cost compared to individual implants
- Eliminates bone grafting in most cases, unlike the traditional approaches
- Ensures long-term results, with the likelihood of lasting a lifetime (see our lifetime implant warranty)
- Allows for easy maintenance
- Restores your ability to eat all types of foods
- Relieves the many frustrations of removable dentures
- Renews a youthful appearance by restoring facial collapse caused by lost teeth
- Creates a whole new smile in just one day
- Enhances self-confidence and overall quality of life
- Is a permanent solution (permanent teeth): You cannot remove them; I can, easily

You can have your beautiful new smile in one day with minimal recovery time and discomfort.

**If you think that sounds like a dream, let me assure you that we're in the business of making dreams come true!**

“I’d had several different painful gum surgeries and none of them seemed to work. I thought when Dr. Receveur told me about his One Day Smile Solution™ and how painless it was, there’d be a ‘catch.’ But Dr. Receveur pulled all the teeth in the same day,

put the new teeth in, and there was no pain. It was wonderful. It looks really good, really natural, and I smile more now ... my husband says! I had a great experience. I would recommend this to everyone!”

– **JoEllen Embry**, New Albany, Indiana



## Chapter 4

### *Stop Running All Over Town!*

I touched on this in Chapter 1: If you don't choose a provider who performs **every single step** of the implant procedure in his own office, you might encounter some surprises and unexpected fees. And a lot of extra time and hassle.

It's a terrible feeling when you discover that smile you want isn't going to cost what you thought, but is going to cost more than what you budgeted for.

Here's just one example:

- **Appointment #1:** You have a consult with your regular dentist because you have a broken tooth that needs to be fixed. He or she takes an X-ray and says the tooth is in bad shape and should be removed. You pay a fee for an office visit and an X-ray and make an appointment at another doctor's office for a consultation for an implant. **Fee: \$85**
- **Appointment #2:** You go to your appointment for a consultation about an implant. That doctor takes a panoramic X-ray and says you are probably a good candidate for an implant, but says you'll have to go to the University of Louisville for a CT scan before he can

do an implant. **Fee for X-ray: \$105**

- **Appointment #3:** You drive to downtown Louisville to the radiology department and get a CT scan. You deal with the traffic, parking, and sitting in the waiting room for 30 minutes. That's three hours out of your day by the time all is said and done. I don't know about you, but I'm busy and I have better things to do with my time. And that's exactly what it's like when you walk into just about any hospital in the country. It's not their fault, really. They're just not set up to give you the one-on-one personal kind of treatment that you deserve. **Fee for CT scan: \$400**
- **Appointments #4, #5, #6:** In many cases, we count **eight trips or more** that patients tell us it took to get their implant placed and restored ... running all over town, or to more than one town, from one office to another.

I could bore you with the rest of this process, but it includes a fee for the implant, possibly bone grafting, and then going back to the regular dentist for the restoration of the implant.

We have many patients who tell us that they thought the fee for the whole process was going to be the CT scan, implant, and the crown. However, they found out that it was a lot of running back and forth and more unpleasant surprises.

For example, when they went to the regular dentist, they found out there was a \$300-\$400 fee for an abutment (the part that connects the implant to the restoration) before the crown could even be made. They had lots of confusion and running all over town getting their work done.

This whole long and drawn-out process is why I've gone to great lengths to assemble **every single piece of the puzzle** you need to restore your smile without **ever** setting foot outside my office.

Our CT scan machine alone required an investment of \$130,000. I tell you this for only one reason: to demonstrate **the commitment I**

have to the experience my patients enjoy during the entire time we are working together.

You may or may not find a similar approach with other implant dentists across the country. I do know they are very scarce.

The CT scan is just one example of the many hidden fees you can encounter when you're working with dentists not fully prepared to offer every step of the implant process in-house.

Your time is too valuable for such a runaround, or at least that's how I see it.

Another benefit that most implant dentists don't offer is that we have our own in-house lab technician. Nearly all dental offices work with a commercial lab that is off-site. This makes it difficult to get top-shelf service, like trying to have **"The One Day Smile Solution™."**

To me, it's absolutely vital to have an in-house lab technician. When the technician is onsite, he or she can see exactly what is going on in the patient's mouth. If the technician is in a commercial lab somewhere else, all she has to go by when making your new teeth and smile are some plaster models and written instructions from the dentist. Our lab tech, Sharon, has been working in dentistry for 30+ years and works hand-in-hand with Dr. Frederick and me to make sure your teeth are set up for optimal function and beauty.

Naturally, there are always little adjustments and little things we want to do to get everything just right for our patient. When our in-house lab technician can **see** what I am trying to accomplish, it makes it so much easier to do a great job.

Our lab tech wants to be involved in the entire process of making our patients a new smile, their new teeth. She can meet the patients, see their personality. She can see the shape of their face, skin tone, and the overall look of their cheeks, lips, and lower half of their face. She can see how many teeth show when they smile and work with me to determine what we have to do to give the patient their best smile.

It makes all the difference in the world! Everyone's different. We customize what we do to every patient so they can have the smile they've always wanted.

Ideally, you want to work with someone who can perform the **entire** procedure in-house. At the very least, make sure you ask your chosen dental provider to walk you through the entire process and help you estimate any additional (hidden) costs.

People love the Mayo Clinic because everything can be done in one place, cutting out all the red tape. All the appointments, sitting in waiting rooms, hospitals, doctor's offices ... you spend more time "running around" than getting something accomplished. You can come right here to our office, and we'll care for **everything** you need, from start to finish! All-In-One-Place!

### **The Dental Implant Roadmap™**

I've had patients come from many different parts of the country to work with me on restoring their smile through the implant process. That's how much it matters that you choose the right dentist for you.

The first step in the process is to schedule what I call a **Dental Implant Roadmap™**.

You begin by calling my office at 812-945-7645 and speaking with Judy or Jana. The first thing they're going to ask is if you are in pain or if you are experiencing any type of dental emergency. The reason for this is that we **always** schedule those patients first. Make sure you mention that you are calling to schedule a Dental Implant Roadmap™. We offer priority scheduling options for that service as well, which means you will get an appointment sooner.

At this point in the call, you'll be offered the next available opening for a full Dental Implant Roadmap™. These are something I love doing. The sessions offer a lot of value to my prospective patients, primarily because the focus of the session is helping you determine the various options you have for restoring your beautiful smile!

During the session, I'll examine your teeth, take some digital photos, perform a 3D CT scan, and then evaluate whether dental implants make sense for you. I'll also offer you various implant choices and my recommendation on which one I feel would be the best fit for you. I call this a "Dental Implant Roadmap™," because by the end of the session, you will walk out of my office with a clear picture of how you can solve your challenges **for good**. You'll know exactly how to move forward. And you won't have to wait weeks to get that information, because I have everything required to give it all to you **on your very first visit!** We'll spend about an hour discussing what treatment options make sense for YOU. You won't need to come back for a second visit just to find out where your mouth stands.

Now, just to be clear ... this type of service is not something you're going to be able to find in many places. Without the in-house CT scan equipment, your first visit with an implant dentist isn't going to tell you much. Because without the CT scan, there's simply no way to know which dental implants are right for you – or if they are a good decision at all.

While the fee for the Dental Implant Roadmap™ is not expensive, it is also not free. In fact, for all of the services you receive during your visit, the fee would be well over \$500 if itemized individually. Instead, I offer the Dental Implant Roadmap™ to all prospective patients for only \$287. That includes the fee for the CT scan.

There are many providers offering FREE consultations. Many are 10-15 minute sales pitches. I spend an hour explaining all of your options. No sales.

My father always told me that you had to "earn" trust. I work hard during your Roadmap consultation to prove that I am out to find what's best for you, even if it means that I don't treat you! I've always believed that when you **prove** to people (patients) that they can trust you, you'll have more business than you need.

Now, there are some things to think through before you contact my office to schedule a Dental Implant Roadmap™. Read through these items and consider them carefully.

- Are you ready to begin the process to restore your smile and end all of the challenges that come with missing or failing teeth, or other denture problems? I ask this, because some people truly are not ready. And that's fine.
- Are you willing and able to make the investment in yourself, your health, and your happiness that is required for the procedure? Implants are not inexpensive and they simply aren't practical for some people. But I'd rather you understand that sooner than later so you can spend your time finding a solution that will be a good fit. Please review the implant solution options earlier in this book if needed. Also, understand that financing options are available.

If you can confidently answer “yes” to both items above, then I invite you to contact my office to schedule your Dental Implant Roadmap™. Remember, there is no catch, no obligation, and no fine print of any kind.

### **You save time, money, and hassle**

Our All-In-One-Place approach may not be unique, but you're unlikely to find another dental practice that offers it. And I guarantee that you won't find friendlier, more professional, more caring, or more highly trained staff than you will in our New Albany office.

And just like our Dental Implant Roadmap™, when we quote you a fee for an implant procedure, or any dental procedure, that fee includes EVERYTHING:

- Any needed extractions
- IV sedation
- Your dental implants
- Abutments
- Restorations
- And all pre-op and post-op care from start to finish (no hidden costs or surprises).

This “everything included” approach is also something you won’t find at many other places. And we throw in a **great** patient experience for free!



“I felt that finding someone who had the training to do all of my treatment ensured excellent results.”

“It was important to me to find someone who was responsible for all of my treatment, my new teeth, my dental implants, literally everything. I wanted it all done in one location. I felt like finding someone who had the training to do all of my treatment ensured excellent results. In Dr. Receveur, I found someone who believed in what he was doing. In fact, whenever I think about Dr. Ron and his staff, what really strikes me is that it’s obvious that they take a great deal of satisfaction from being able to provide these services and make people’s lives better.”

– **Larry Shuffett**

*To see a video of Larry talking about wanting one doctor responsible for all of his work, go to [bit.ly/larryishappy](http://bit.ly/larryishappy).*





## Chapter 5

### *Let Me Help You Get Beautiful New Teeth*

So, now you know the story on dental implants, and why changing my patients' lives with implants has proven to be a lifelong passion for me.

You know that I and my staff have traveled the world to get the very best training available. And you know that we place more than 500 implants a year with a success rate greater than 98 percent.

You know that I guarantee the replacement of your implants in the unlikely event that one or more of them fails.

You know why dental implants are the preferred choice for replacing missing teeth. Dental implants are stronger and last longer than any other alternative. They look, feel, and function like your natural teeth. For many people, they look and work **better** than their natural teeth.

You know that with implants, you won't have to worry about healthy teeth being ground down to support a dental bridge. You won't have to worry about decay in those teeth leading to failure of the bridge.

You know that we now have techniques to help almost anyone be a candidate for implants. That includes bone grafting, strategically placing implants in the thicker and stronger frontal bone of the jaws for All-on-4® cases,\* and all the cutting-edge technology available. You know that the implant procedure isn't nearly as scary as what

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you might have thought when you heard the term “oral surgery.” While it requires a great deal of technical expertise, the actual surgery and the aftermath, in terms of discomfort, is relatively minor. And your comfort is guaranteed with IV sedation!

You know that I’m committed to a pain-free experience for you, and that I offer IV sedation so that you won’t feel a thing during your implant procedure and you won’t remember anything, either. And I make sure you’re comfortable after the procedure.

You know that when you choose me to handle your dental implants, you come to **one** office for **everything**. You’ll deal with one **incredibly** warm and caring staff and will know upfront what your total investment will be. You’ll **never** get a surprise bill for your implants.

You know that dental implants will restore your ability to eat the foods you love **and** enjoy the taste and texture of them. And you won’t have the roof of your mouth covered in plastic as you do with dentures, and won’t have to worry about your new teeth slipping, sliding, or even coming out unexpectedly.

You know that dental implants can help you look younger by restoring the natural shape of your face that had been lost due to missing teeth.

You know that getting rid of diseased teeth and replacing them with implants can help you be healthier, happier, and live longer.

What you haven’t learned yet is that for many people in our culture, the loss of teeth is associated with aging. Implants give a **psychological lift to these people with missing teeth who would otherwise have some feelings of inadequacy related to aging and loss of teeth.**

In fact, in a study by Brånemark, **89 percent** of patients treated with dental implants judged their psychological health improved compared to before treatment. The majority of these patients perceived their implant-supported replacement teeth as an integral part of their own body.

**With dental implants, you win**

My staff and I will be honored to help you get beautiful new teeth,

to look younger, to eat the foods you love, to improve your health, and to help you enjoy your newfound confidence and joy in living.

We look forward to serving you.

“Before seeing Dr. Receveur, I couldn’t eat apples or corn on the cob. I can eat anything now. He showed me how the lines around my mouth had ‘drooped.’ He improved the overall appearance of my face and gave me confidence to smile more.”

– **Mike Hosea**, New Albany, Indiana



“I was skeptical because I’d always been hurt. I didn’t have one minute’s pain the whole time. I found a doctor and staff that care.”

“Before I came to Dr. Receveur, I had a fear of dentists and put it off for years. Dr. Receveur and his staff told me I wouldn’t have any pain. I was skeptical because I’d always been hurt. I came in shaking, but Dr. Receveur held my hand and his nurses were right here with me and reassuring. I didn’t have one minute’s pain the whole time. I had people that cared and a doctor that cared. I would tell anyone that has a fear of dentists to come to Dr. Receveur. This is the only place to come if you have a fear and was as nervous and shaking as I was.”

– **Janet Allen**

*To see Janet talk in a video about her tremendous fear, go to*

*bit.ly/janetishappy.*

“Prior to sedation dentistry, dental procedures were a nightmare for me. Crying before I would even make the appointment. Now, with sedation dentistry, I’m much more relaxed. I absolutely love the team here. I’ve actually driven three hours to come here because I wouldn’t go to any other dentist.”

– **Dr. Mary Gtelfinger**, Veterinarian, Georgetown,  
Indiana

# Dental Implant FAQs

*Good questions to ask before making a decision on your dental care:*

**1. What materials are my new permanent teeth going to be fabricated from?**

- Titanium? Zirconium?
- Acrylic (plastic)? Denture acrylic? Denture teeth?
- Monolithic Solid Core milled teeth? PMMA?
- What is the warranty on the materials used to fabricate my new permanent teeth?

**2. Do you provide a warranty on the implants you place?** Will all doctors involved provide written warranties for their services? If there is a problem, who is ultimately responsible?

**3. What happens if something chips or breaks?** How long will it take to repair it? Do you have your own in-house lab technician who can repair it, or does it have to go to an outside commercial lab? How long would I be without my teeth?

**4. Are the costs discussed all-inclusive, for everything from start to finish,** or will there be other fees at other offices during my care?

**5. Will every step of my care be performed by the doctor who examined and consulted with me?** If I have to go to other offices and other doctors, how many visits and surgeries will it take, in how many different offices, and by how many different doctors?

**6. If multiple doctors, offices, & staffs are involved, will my appointments at the other offices be coordinated for my convenience?** How do these offices work together? How often have you worked with these offices in the past?

**7. Do these other offices provide a written, detailed, treatment plan for me to take home?**

**8. Does the doctor perform dental implant services full-time or**

**part-time?** Are dental implants his or her area of expertise? How many dental implants does he or she place per year?

I hope you find this information helpful. We also hope to have the opportunity to work with you, and to help you get back to comfortable chewing with the healthy smile you deserve. **We always encourage my complex dental patients to get second opinions.** You'll get the opportunity to meet other staffs and doctors to see where you feel comfortable.

We highly recommend that you have your care performed where you are the most comfortable, where you like the things the doctor says to you, and you like how you are treated.

**All the Best,**

**Dr. Ron Receveur**

**Dr. Brad Frederick**

“Dr. Ron has just been wonderful from the get-go. He allows me the time that I need, because I have certain needs that others may not have. I have total confidence in my implant. I eat more on that side because that tooth feels stronger. If you’re having problems, you really need to go see my dentist, Dr. Ron, because he’s the absolute best. He will take care of what you need and want out of your dental experience, which is great teeth and no pain.”

– **Vickie Lowery**, Clarksville, Indiana

“I was petrified. I’d tell anybody that was apprehensive about dental work that if they come here there is no pain and the fear was totally gone when I met the staff. They’re just awesome. It was an awesome experience for me.”

– **Linda Davidson**, Austin, Indiana

## About the Author

Dr. Receveur was born and raised in New Albany, Indiana. He graduated from Indiana University Southeast, where he received his undergraduate degree with honors in chemistry. He earned his Doctorate in Dental Surgery from the Indiana University School of Dentistry and has been providing cutting-edge, compassionate dentistry to southern Indiana and Greater Louisville residents since 1981.

Dr. Receveur participates in extensive continuing education, accruing more than 5,000 hours of postgraduate training and completing numerous advanced certifications in comprehensive restorative, implant, sedation, and esthetic dentistry, so he can provide state-of-the-art dentistry to his patients.

Dr. Receveur's practice focus is on cosmetic, sedation, and implant dentistry. He is a "lifetime learner." He is a leader in pursuing advanced post-doctoral education in his field from the best by traveling all over the world and training with the best clinicians. This allows him to perform the latest cutting-edge services and treatments by delivering the finest care to his patients in the most comfortable, personalized, and caring manner. He pursues approximately 100 hours of post-doctoral CE each year, despite only 16 hours being required per year per Indiana state dental laws.

Dr. Receveur was voted "BEST DENTIST" four years in a row in a local newspaper opinion poll. Certified in oral sedation, Sedation Solutions (medically complex patients), and IV sedation, Dr. Ron and his staff offer many alternatives to guarantee their patients' comfort, from the compassionate way they do everything, to the wide range of sedation options.

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