

Periodontitis and Periodontal Therapy Info



Your Hygienist and Doctor have diagnosed you with periodontitis and are recommending periodontal therapy. Below is an explanation of your diagnosis and the treatment required.

Periodontal Disease:

Periodontal disease is the infection of the gums and the bone. It is important to treat this disease as the gums/bone serve as the foundation for our teeth. Once diagnosed with periodontal disease you are classified as a patient with periodontal disease. Periodontal disease **cannot be eliminated, only controlled**. It is important to commit to our treatment and our treatment maintenance program to achieve optimal results.

Your Hygienist and Doctor have **recommended periodontal therapy** in order to treat your periodontal disease.

Your periodontal care will require _____ sessions with your hygienist.

Session 1:		Session 2:		Session 3:		Session 4:
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After Therapy is Completed:

After treatment is completed, it is recommended that you see your hygienist **every 3 months** for **periodontal maintenance**. Because you have been diagnosed with periodontitis your 6-month standard cleanings have now been replaced with **3-month periodontal maintenance appointments**.

Frequently Asked Questions:

“If I go through therapy, will I have to go through it again?”

We do not project repeated therapy. Your commitment to a diligent home care regimen and three-month periodontal maintenance appointments minimizes the risk of recurrence and need for repeated therapy.

“Will I ever be able to have cleanings every 6 months again?”

At every 3 month periodontal maintenance appointments your hygienist will evaluate the health of your gums/bone and your homecare. With the doctor, the hygienist will determine the need for 3 month or 6 month visits.