

## Treatment guidelines for aesthetic implant therapy

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### EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

The overall goal of this course is to provide the reader with a greater understanding of some of the many factors affecting the development of optimal anterior aesthetic implant restorations in partially edentulous patients.

Upon completion of the course, participants should be able to:

1. Refine their implant-treatment protocols to better incorporate such factors as the central incisor-proportions, facial and dental midlines, axial inclinations, maxillary incisal edge and lower lip contours, maxillary interproximal contact areas, arch form, crown heights, and anterior gingival symmetry.
2. Identify three planes of space that are important in planning implant treatment.
3. Understand how peri-implant soft-tissue biotypes affect overall treatment outcomes.
4. Discuss how the position of the osseous crest affects anterior aesthetics.

### ABSTRACT

Thorough and accurate diagnoses are essential for providing optimal, state-of-the-art dental treatments that have predictable prognoses and long-term clinical success. Over the past 40 years, osseointegrated dental implants have proven to be a clinically successful treatment for edentulous and partially edentulous patients. Due to various advances, implants are now used in clinical situations that were once unimaginable. This paper outlines treatment guidelines for achieving aesthetically and functionally optimal maxillary anterior implant restorations.

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