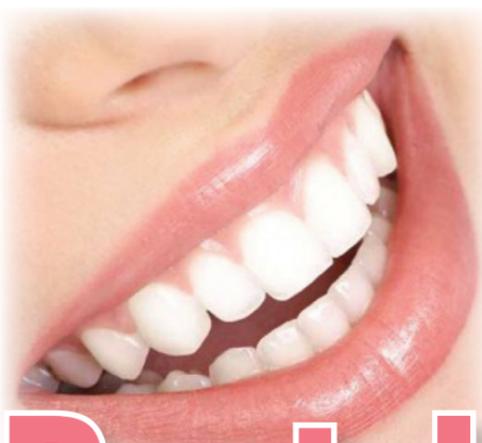


Second Opinion

by Dr. Vladimir Pastouk



Dental Implants

With recent advancements in dental implant technology, almost anyone can enjoy the physical and emotional health benefits of a beautiful smile. Here, Dr. Vladimir Pastouk, of *Dental and Cosmetic Solutions*, explains why now is the best time to explore your dental implant options—before the end of the year.

Q Does insurance cover dental implants?

A More and more insurance companies are covering some services connected to dental implants, such as the placement, restoration, and crown, as well as bone grafting and other surgical procedures necessary to get ready for the implant. Dental implants are recognized as a standard of care and, as such, are often covered under insurance plans. Every plan, however, differs even within the same insurance carrier, so you need to check your

insurance policy.

For those patients who do not have insurance, we offer an in-office dental membership savings plan. This program is open to all patients who are not currently covered by a regular dental insurance policy. It provides the opportunity to receive high-quality dentistry at reduced costs. While this plan does not cover the implant surgical procedure, it does apply to some of the associated services. And it affords patients a way to save money not only on restorative procedures, but provides for preventive dental care, including cleanings and X-rays.

Q What are other payment options?

A A dental implant is a qualified medical expense for all Health Savings Accounts (HSA) and Flexible Spending Accounts (FSA), so you can use this money to pay for implants if you have either of these tax-advantaged health savings accounts. Usually, the funds in your FSA need to be used by the end of the year, so now is the perfect time to come in for a consultation and begin treatment.



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We are also in a partnership with two financial institutions, Care Credit and Key Bank, that offer special health financing programs with six months or 12 months same as cash.

At *Dental & Cosmetic Solutions*, we want to make dental implants an affordable option for everyone. Dental implants should last a lifetime if properly maintained, so they are worth the investment, and, in the long-term, can actually save you money.

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