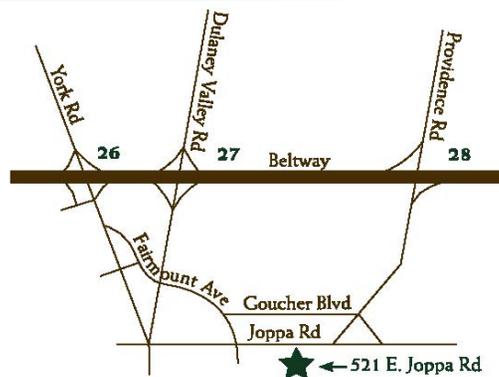


The Towson Center for Dental Implants and Periodontics

Your doctor recommends The Towson Center for Dental Implants and Periodontics because they know your overall health will be improved by specialized dental care. The periodontists of TDCIP provide many different types of non-surgical and surgical procedures, including the most current implant techniques to meet the periodontal needs of our patients.

Our state-of-the-art LANAP® PerioLase Laser allows us to eliminate diseased gum tissue without sutures and jumpstart the healing process.

With prompt treatment, proper care and regular dental visits, the majority of patients can retain their teeth for a lifetime. Visit us online or call 410-321-9477 to schedule a consultation today.



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What is Periodontal Disease?

Periodontal disease is an inflammatory response to a bacterial infection that, if left untreated, may cause damage to the tissues and bone surrounding the teeth, eventually leading to tooth loss. Cardiac patients with diabetes tend to have more severe levels of bone loss, and often experience more aggressive disease activity. Tooth loss can make chewing and digesting food difficult. This continues a devastating circle as tooth loss can impact the ability to maintain proper nutrition, thus increasing dependency on cholesterol and blood pressure medications.

The risk of a joint prosthesis becoming infected from oral bacteria is low, but hip & knee replacement failures attributed to these bacteria have occurred.

Be Proactive!

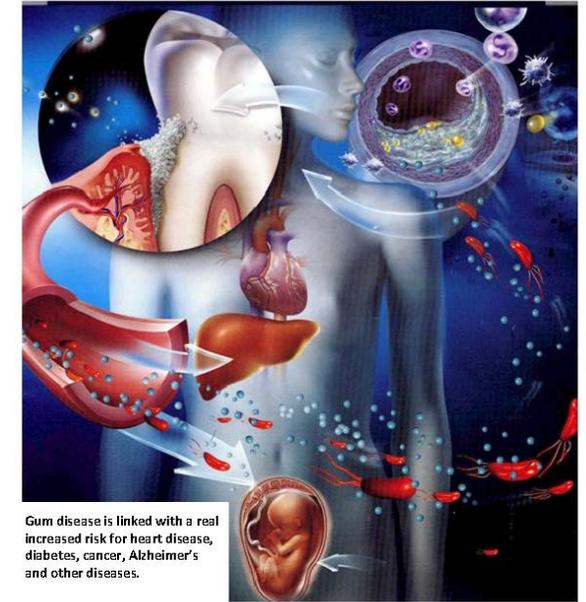
More than 500,000 joint replacements are performed every year in the U.S. You are in good hands! But— you need to be your own health advocate! Use this checklist to make sure you've done your part to ensure success of your implant!

- Get a dental clearance before surgery
- Ask if your orthopedist recommends antibiotics before dental appointments (for the first two years after surgery)
- Keep ALL appointments with your orthopedist
- Consider no cut/no sew procedures for periodontal disease after your implant is placed
- Always tell every doctor about your implant



Communication is Key!

You might be surprised when your periodontist asks questions about your medical history. While the American Dental Association no longer feels every patient with a prosthetic joint needs antibiotics before dental visits, many orthopedists and cardiologists still recommend them to decrease any chance of infection. Hopefully by working together with your periodontist to ensure healthy teeth and gums, your investment in overall health will grow!



Partnering with us to keep oral inflammation to a minimum over your lifetime will reduce your risk for the more serious chronic diseases of aging.

My Periodontal Options

Like cardiac patients, many joint replacement patients are prescribed medications for life. The doctors at The Towson Center for Dental Implants and Periodontics know it is important for you to take these medications. Because of this we offer laser LANAP periodontal treatment and The Chao Pinhole procedure as no cut, no sew treatment options. These treatments allow you to keep taking medications such as aspirin, Coumadin and more while receiving the dental treatment you need.