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IMPLANT AFTERCARE

1. If stitches were placed in the area, they need to be removed in 2 weeks. If you did not make an appointment prior to leaving, please call the office to schedule an appointment.
2. After the stitches are removed, we would like to re-check your implant in 1 month. 2-3 months after this, we will again need to check you to see if you are ready to have the external head placement completed. At that time, you will also need to see your general dentist to have the crown placed on the implant.
3. Keep the area clean by gently rinsing and cleaning the surrounding teeth with a soft toothbrush.
4. If you were not given narcotic pain medication, use over the counter ibuprofen or acetaminophen for any post-operative discomfort. Take the first dose within 2 hours after your appointment. If any antibiotic was given, start that later in the day and take it until it is gone. Take the medications with food.
5. Occasionally there will be some swelling in the area where your implant was placed. To avoid this, you may apply ice packs to the area (20 minutes on/20 minutes off) for the first 24 hours. It is also helpful to eat and drink cold things during this time.
6. Please feel free to contact our office if you have questions.