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The Significance of Maintenance in **Achieving Long-Term Success**

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Sustaining Implant Health



The Significance of Maintenance in Achieving Long-Term Success

Michelle Strange, MSDH, RDH, has over two decades of experience in dentistry, holding multiple roles within the field. She earned a Bachelor's in Health Science from the Medical University of South Carolina and a Master's in Dental Hygiene Education from the University of Bridgeport. Dedicated to advancing her colleagues' knowledge across all areas of healthcare, she is passionate about the connection between dentistry and overall well-being, extending her impact to both local and global initiatives.

As a co-founder and driving force behind the *A Tale of Two Hygienists* podcast, Michelle played a key role in its success. She now runs Level Up Infection Prevention and MichelleStrangeRDH, serving as a key opinion leader, writer, content creator, infection control consultant, and practicing dental hygienist.

Objectives

- Define Peri-Implant Mucositis and Peri-Implantitis and the Differentiating Clinical Factors
- Explain the Steps of Assessing Dental Implants After Placement and During Maintenance Visits
- Determine the Frequency of Implant Maintenance
- Discuss the Importance of Patient Education on the Long-Term Health of Dental Implants
- Discuss New Protocols for In-Office Implant Maintenance
- Determine the Correct Products for At-Home
 Maintenance with a Patient-Centered Focus

Summary

In modern dentistry, dental implants offer patients a viable option for tooth replacement. However, it's crucial to remember that the treatment of dental implants goes beyond the surgical or restorative phases.

Establishing a tailored maintenance program for each patient and their dental implant is essential for long-term success.

This program should consider the patient's motivation, dexterity, physical capabilities, and prosthetics to determine the most suitable at-home and in-office maintenance methods.

Staying updated on the latest research and products is vital in ensuring the continued health of the patient's dental implant(s).

Target Audience: Dentists, Dental Hygienists, Dental Assistants.





