

Appointment Date: _____

Time: _____

DATE: _____

(PATIENT'S NAME)

is being referred for:

PERIODONTAL EVALUATION

Complete Full Mouth Examination
(with emphasis on _____ area)

Limited: tooth/teeth# _____

Full Mouth Radiographs enclosed
(patient has _____)

Study Casts Enclosed

Patient has had scaling/root planing.

When: _____
Areas: _____

PERIODONTAL EMERGENCY TREATMENT

PERIODONTAL SCREENING FOR:

Crown Lengthening # _____

Soft Tissue Graft # _____

Ridge Augmentation # _____

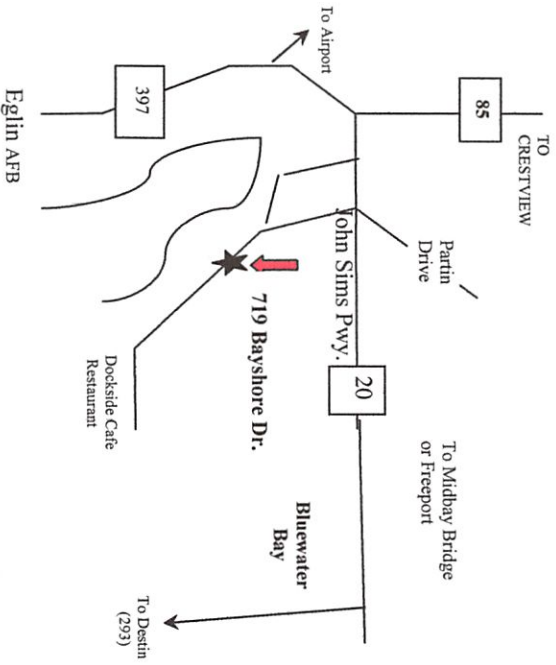
Implant Placement # _____

Gingivectomy # _____

Frenectomy # _____

REMARKS:

REFERRED BY: _____



- PLEASE BRING TO THIS APPOINTMENT:**
1. This referral slip
 2. X-rays and/or dental records that you may have
 3. Name/doses of medications that you are taking



**EMERALD COAST
PERIODONTICS**

**PERIODONTAL TREATMENT
INFORMATION**

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WELCOME!

At our office you can expect:

- A professional and caring staff in a comfortable atmosphere
- Friendly, conservative treatment of your periodontal condition
- The most current and well-proven methods of therapy
- Close communication with you and your family dentist

Why Am I Being Referred?

While most patients are referred to our office for the treatment of periodontal disease, many patients are referred for:

1. Dental implants
2. Bone Reconstruction
3. Soft tissue surgery to enhance esthetics, or for procedures necessary to achieve proper restoration of teeth.
4. Periodontal plastic surgery to eliminate a “gummy smile”.
5. Preparation for veneers or crowns.

What is a Periodontist?

A periodontist is a dentist with additional training who specializes in the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of diseases within the supporting structures of the teeth (gum tissue and underlying bone).

Periodontal Disease

Periodontal disease is a chronic bacterial infection which affects the bone and gum tissue surrounding the teeth. Bacteria present under the gum line releases toxins which irritate and destroy the gum tissue and bone. The foundation is then lost.

Unfortunately, disease progression often goes unnoticed, as the process is painless until the end stages when teeth become loose and dental abscesses develop. Early detection and treatment is most important.

Because periodontal disease accounts for 70% of adult tooth loss, it is important to treat this condition. In most cases the disease process can be arrested if proper therapy is instituted. The sooner the disease is treated, the less that needs to be done, and the more likely the teeth can be saved.

Periodontal Treatment

Long-term research studies show that patients who receive periodontal therapy and have regular maintenance intervals retain their teeth much longer than those who do not receive treatment.

When periodontal disease is treated early, non-surgical therapy is often successful. Treatment consists of scaling and root planing (deep cleaning) to remove the bacteria, toxic substances, and hard calculus (tartar) deposits. Antibiotics, if indicated, are also utilized. It is very important that effective oral hygiene be performed from this point on, otherwise the harmful bacteria and calculus (tarter) deposits will return.

Following the scaling and root planing, there will be a waiting period of 4-6 weeks prior to the re-evaluation appointment. This time period allows for optimal healing of the tissues. The results of non-surgical therapy will be evaluated at that time.

Some patients will require surgical therapy to control the disease process. These procedures are performed in the dental office, with gentle sedation techniques available for maximum patient comfort.