

# THE KIESS RELEASE

## IMPLANT OVERDENTURES FOR PATIENT SATISFACTION

In 1983, 39.9% of Americans over the age of 65 were completely edentulous. Today, 26.3% of those over 65 are completely edentulous. The increase in elderly population keeps the number of edentulous patients rising, even though the percentages decrease.

Usually the mandibular denture stability is a problem for the patient. The lack of ridge area, as well as a lack of seal on the soft tissue and movement of the tongue and sub lingual muscles cause lower denture instability. The other problem is the bone in the mandibular deteriorates over time, and that will cause the dentures to slip and rock. Your patients at that point will just want to feel like they can eat comfortably again and smile without the embarrassment of losing their teeth.

Mandibular implant overdentures are one of the solutions to the problems of denture mobility. The implant overdentures will immobilize the denture and create a positive function. Studies have shown that patients with the implant overdentures do feel chewing and eating are significantly easier and they speak more freely, more like with their natural teeth. That is why clinicians should



**Implant overdenture bar being torqued to place in mouth**

present implant overdentures as a treatment option for their edentulous patients.

Implant overdentures start with creating an implant surgeon's guide from a wax try-in or an existing



**Underside of a lower denture made to fit on an overdenture bar**

denture. Implants are then surgically placed in the jawbone at the predetermined locations. After the healing is complete, the implants are uncovered and impressions are taken. The implant bar is constructed using the wax try-in or existing denture as a guide. The

final denture will be processed with the appropriate clips to anchor it to the implant bar.

There are many reasons why an implant supported overdenture will work well for your patients:

- The implants will replace some of the tooth roots, which will better preserve the jawbone
- Dental Implants, when fully integrated with the jawbone, help keep the bone healthy and intact
- There is a survival rate of 95% for 10 years for implant supported overdentures
- Implant supported overdentures can significantly improve chewing ability and help provide a stronger bite
- Patients will experience improved comfort and less embarrassment

*Kiess Kraft wants to work with you on your next implant overdenture case. Please call Rick Miller if you have questions or would like information.*

MORE OVERDENTURE INFORMATION ON PAGE 2 OF NEWSLETTER

## CAPTEK CROWNS AND BRIDGES



**Captek copings**

Captek crowns and bridges are a great choice for dental restorations and are used to replace traditional PFMs. These crowns have several advantages over a PFM fabricated with a non-precious or semi-precious coping.

The gold color of the substructure provides a very natural appearance, reflecting light as a natural tooth does. Dark lines do not form at the gingival margins because of the high content of gold in the Captek restorations. Studies have proven that gold in Captek crowns inhibit the accumulation of plaque and bacteria. The strength in Captek restorations comes from the integration of platinum and palladium in the copings.

For esthetics that rival that of all-ceramic crowns and bridges, and provides a healthy option for the tissues, choose Captek.

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*Kiess Kraft will supply you with all the necessary information, procedure sheets, tools, and technical advice to make implant overdenture restorations as easy as possible for you. Please call 402.391.8424 or 800.553.9522, ask for Rick Miller*

## THIS IS WHAT MARRIAGE IS ALL ABOUT...

**He ordered one hamburger, one order of french fries and one drink. He cut the burger in half, counted out half the fries and placed them in front of his wife. He took a sip of the drink, then began to eat his half of the burger and fries.**

**You could tell the people around them were thinking "That poor old couple—all they can afford is one meal for the two of them." A young man walked over and offered to buy them another meal, but the couple assured him that they were used to sharing everything.**

**The man continued to eat his half as the little old lady quietly sipped on the drink. When the old man finished, he wiped his mouth neatly. The young man came over again and asked the lady "what is it you are waiting for?"**

**She quietly answered "THE TEETH".**

## OVERDENTURE ABUTMENTS AND ATTACHMENTS

On the first page, implant bar overdentures were discussed, but there are other options for overdentures. They can also be made using overdenture abutments and attachments, such as Locator, ERA, O.T., and Micro O.T. Cap attachments.

The edentulous arch can also be restored with a fixed removable restoration if five or more implants are placed. This type is screwed to place and can only be removed by the dentist.



**Pictured is a sample of Locator attachments secured in a lower denture. Locators have attachments with different retentive capabilities, making them a very useful tool for securing the fit of a denture.**

## SINGLE TOOTH REPLACEMENT?



Lava™ crowns provide a natural, lifelike solution for your patient's needs.

- All ceramic, zirconia based restorations
- Very esthetic and biocompatible
- Cement into place
- Created with the latest CAD/CAM technology

**IMPROVING GREAT SMILES!**  
Lava™ restorations

Lava™ restorations can also be done in multiple units, up to 6 unit bridges.

**PROVIDE YOUR PATIENT WITH THE BEST!**

Call Chris Miller at Kiess Kraft for more information at 402.391.8424 or 800.553.9522.

## WORD SEARCH

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## WEATHER WATCH

<b>BLIZZARD</b>	<b>CHILL</b>	<b>CLOUDY</b>
<b>CUMULUS</b>	<b>DOWNDRAFT</b>	<b>DROUGHT</b>
<b>EARTHQUAKE</b>	<b>FLOODS</b>	<b>FLURRIES</b>
<b>FOG</b>	<b>FRONT</b>	<b>HAIL</b>
<b>HOT</b>	<b>HUMIDITY</b>	<b>HURRICANE</b>
<b>ICE</b>	<b>LIGHTNING</b>	<b>METEOROLOGIST</b>
<b>RAIN</b>	<b>RAINBOW</b>	<b>SHOWERS</b>
<b>SNOW</b>	<b>SUNSHINE</b>	<b>THUNDERSTORMS</b>
<b>TORNADO</b>	<b>WARM</b>	<b>WATERSPOUTS</b>

## Lines to Make You Smile

1. I used to have a handle on life, but it broke.
2. Beauty is in the eye of the beer holder.
3. Being "over the hill" is much better than being under it!
4. Wrinkled was not one of the things I wanted to be when I grew up.
5. A picture is worth a thousand words, but it uses up three thousand times the memory.
6. Ham and eggs, a day's work for a chicken, a life - time commitment for a pig.
7. The original point and click interface was a Smith & Wesson
8. A hangover is the wrath of grapes.
9. Consciousness: That annoying time between naps.
10. I smile because I don't know what the heck is going on.

**HAVE A GOOD DAY!!!!**

## Richard Williamson, DDS, MS presents "Preparing Yourself for the Esthetic Revolution in Removables-the Basics and Beyond"



Dr. Richard Williamson will do a presentation on all aspects of the removable side of dentistry including study models, impressions, trials, designs, to the finished restoration.

**When: Friday, September 7, 2007**  
**Where: Kiess Kraft Dental Lab**  
**Time: 1:00 PM to 5 PM, 4 CE's**  
**Applied for**

Dr. Williamson is a native Texan and graduate of Texas A & M and received his DDS from U of T Health Science Center in Houston. He holds a certificate in prosthodontics and an MS in Oral Biology. Dr. Williamson lectures nationwide on complete denture, removable partial denture and implant prosthodontic care. He is currently a clinical assistant professor at the U of Iowa College of Dentistry.

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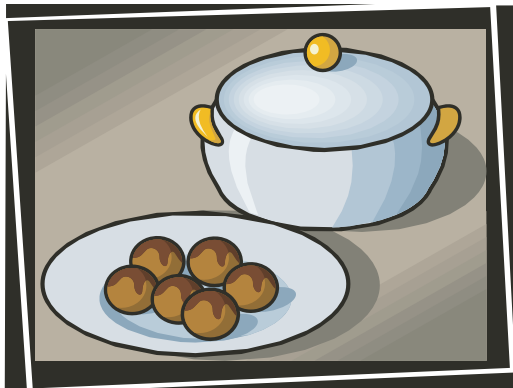
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### ***SWEET 'N SPICY MEATBALLS*** ***from the kitchen of Carol Miller***

Here's a recipe that is guaranteed to get rave reviews, but you don't have to do much to make it.....

- 1 package frozen meatballs (Each meatball @ 1/2 oz size, approximately 50 to 70 meatballs)
- 1 - 12 ounce jar grape jelly
- 1 - 10 ounce jar chili sauce

While the meatballs are baking (as directed on package), combine the grape jelly and chili sauce, then heat the mixture. When meatballs are done baking, add to the jelly/chili sauce mixture and simmer. Keep warm in a chafing dish or crock pot.

Have fun eating while cheering on your favorite team or just enjoying an evening with family and friends!