

Mini Dental Implants, MDI's vs. Traditional Dental Implants



Know the difference between Dental Implants and Mini Dental Implants will help you make an informed decision regarding your oral and dental health. Dr. David Shemo will provide information on the differences during your Free MDI Consultation.

The main difference between traditional dental implants and mini dental implants is size. MDI's are smaller in diameter than regular dental implants. This smaller diameter allows the mini implants to be successful in patients that might not be candidates for traditional implants. The quantity and quality of bone in the jaw is one of the determining factors for candidacy. Those without enough bone were once considered to not be ideal candidates for treatments and often needed to undergo treatments such as bone grafting before implants could be placed. Mini dental implants, due to their smaller stature, allow more patients to undergo treatment.

Traditional dental implants are also more invasive than their mini counterparts. Traditional implants require larger incisions, may require stitches and require more downtime following treatment. They also require a number of visits to the dentist in order to complete the procedure. Mini dental implants are less invasive and can sometimes be placed in a single dental visit. In certain circumstances, patients will also have immediate use of their implant. This means a dental prosthetic will be placed the very same day, giving you the ability to chew with their implant immediately.

