



# Five Implant Supported Upper Denture

## Patient Information sheet

If you are looking for a way to replace your teeth and make them feel as natural as possible, the greater number of implants, the better. With more implants the denture can be made to fit more securely. Although there are many options for replacing teeth in the lower jaw, the upper jaw, due to its softer bone, has limited options. At Warmland Dental we feel that 5-6 implants is the minimum number required.

People who should consider this treatment are those who have natural teeth or an implant supported denture in the opposing jaw. Also, these patients will have a good deal of bone left in their jaw which means that the ridge is still quite large.

What can be expected from this treatment is a secure denture that does not move when eating or speaking. The look of the denture will be natural and food selection should be unlimited. The denture is removed for cleaning. Care of the implants and bar is straight forward and includes simple brushing and flossing.

The healing time is short and the denture can be worn shortly after surgery. Any discomfort experienced after the surgery should be minimal. Placement of the implants is under local anesthetic and with mild sedation if desired. Surgeries take place at Warmland Dental. Patients are expected to present to the surgeons office at least once per year for 'check-ups'.

Since this treatment has six implants and a cast bar, it is also more expensive. Expect to pay at least \$13,500 for the surgery and bars that connect the implants. Complete with a new upper denture, approximately \$15,500. With a new upper and lower denture, approximately \$17,500. These prices do not include surgical fees for bone grafting if those procedures are required.

