



Four Implant Supported Lower Denture

Patient Information sheet

This is an excellent option for patients who demand a rigid solution. It provides stability that rivals the 6 implant option at a reduced cost. Some of the force or biting is still on the gum tissue at the back of the mouth, but most is supported by the implants.

People considering this treatment usually have a standard complete upper denture or a denture retained by implants. Bone loss at the back of the jaws can be considerable since no implants are placed in this region. All implants are placed in the front of the mouth.

What can be expected from this treatment is a secure denture that is very stable during eating and speaking but the patient may note some movement with hard biting. The look of the denture is very natural. The denture is removed for cleaning. Care of the implants and bar is straightforward 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'.

This treatment requires the placement of four implants and a bar to connect them. Expect to pay \$11,000 for the surgery and bar that connects the implants. Complete with a new lower denture, about \$13,000. Complete with a new upper and lower denture, about \$15,000.

