



A REASON TO SMILE

PROVIDING THE PERMANENT SOLUTION FOR MISSING TEETH HIGHLANDS RANCH IMPLANT SURGEON, DR. STEPHEN M. STEIN

It all comes down to a slippery deck on a sailing outing. A young dental student fell and busted his jaw, setting the course not just for the boat and his sailing buddies, who had to hustle him back, but for the young man's career that lay ahead.

Now a highly-respected oral surgeon in Highlands Ranch, Dr. Stephen M. Stein remembers that experience in his daily practice. "I didn't think I was treated very well," Dr. Stein says. "I healed OK, but I thought there's just so much more that goes into it than just treating the injury."

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Deciding he could do better, Dr. Stein refocused his studies on oral surgery. Today, he fulfills that mission, offering his patients at Stein Oral & Facial Surgery not just highly skilled dental care, but an overall quality experience. Known for his dental-implant expertise, Dr. Stein also surrounds his patients with high-tech equipment and a caring, knowledgeable staff.

Unlike dentures and bridges, implants give patients back their smiles while maintaining adjacent-tooth and bone health with what appears and functions as a permanent tooth. Although his years of experience include a broad range of treatments, honing in on implants has gained Dr. Stein a reputation in the field. "There's nothing that compares to experience," he says. "When you need a specific procedure, you want someone who does that procedure day in and day out."

Gene Culwell, a retired Centennial resident and a bit of a dental-patient expert, agrees. He says he has seen his share of "horror stories" with patients who overlook the experience factor. "This is not something you go to voc-tech school and come out being able to do." Culwell has Sjögren's syndrome, which decreases production of saliva, a first defense against tooth decay. The disease has led to countless dental visits, crowns, and now, with teeth decaying beyond crowns, implants. He has four so far.

Dr. Stein enhances his surgical precision with top-of-the-line equipment, including digital X-rays, a 3-D scanner, and computer-aided surgical technology, all leading to better

outcomes. His investments also allow patients to receive all pre- and post-op-treatment in office, leading to a more-convenient, less-expensive experience.

Dr. Stein also credits his employees for helping him fulfill his mission. "My staff is very well-versed on how to answer questions and help patients through what can be a difficult or scary time. They are wonderful, caring and supportive people."

According to Culwell? It's a team effort that works. The doctor carefully explained all options, plans and costs, while the staff provided comfort, fun and entertainment, he says. "I would recommend them without hesitation. And I always do."

IMPLANTS CAN:

- Restore confidence and smile
- Restore the ability to chew delicious foods again
- Replace missing teeth without affecting adjacent natural teeth
- Restore and enhance facial tissue
- Prevent bone loss
- Resolve joint pain or bite problems
- Secure a loose fitting denture with implants



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