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properly, will give you the information you need to help care for your implant at home, and will be available for regular periodic check-up appointments to evaluate your continued dental health. We will do everything we can to make the implant succeed, but you will have to make the same commitment. If you do not hold up your end of the bargain, the implant will most likely fail. Also, you must return to our office at regular intervals according to our recommendations for examination and service.

If you do not do this, you could get into difficulty without your knowing it. This could result in the loss of the implant. Under such circumstances, the fault would be yours. Due to the complex nature of oral implantology, it is important that all postoperative examinations and/or treatment be handled by this office. Referrals will be made only to those doctors with experience and training in implant dentistry.

#### **COSMETIC SURGERY**

Are dental implants inserted for cosmetics reasons? Absolutely not! The primary objective of dental implants is to give additional support to the replacement teeth. Dental implantology is not a total substitute for facelift plastic surgery. Some cosmetic enhancement is possible, however, and those expectations should be fully discussed prior to treatment.

#### **FURTHER QUESTIONS**

If you have any questions which have not been fully answered by this monograph, please feel free to ask them prior to beginning treatment. We will do our best to inform you.

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