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SUCCESS STORIES FROM ACROSS NORTH AMERICA

DR. JOHN-MICHAEL STEWART WESTERN MASS. AND SOUTHERN VT. ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

Background



Originally from Dallas, Texas, Dr. John-Michael Stewart attended Southern Methodist University, where he was the place-kicker for the Mustangs and received the Kodak All-American award. His strong work ethic drove him to pursue a career in dentistry, which led him to the Boston University School of Dental Medicine with a concentration in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

After specialty training at the University of Texas-Southwestern Medical Center and Parkland Memorial Hospital, Dr. Stewart had a special interest in creating and supporting beautiful smiles with dental implants. He wanted a reliable solution that would provide the best treatment option for his patients clinically and esthetically.

The Challenge

Challenging Cases Require Flexible Solutions

During Dr. Stewart's extensive training, he was presented with dental implant cases where the implant had fractured and failed. Dr. Stewart hated seeing these failed cases given the added discomfort, treatment time, and cost to the patient.

This experience led him to look for a dental implant system that would provide precise and consistent results. Ultimately, Dr. Stewart chose the Straumann Dental Implant System (SDIS) for its high level of quality and precision, which was developed through Straumann's rigorous research and testing. Dr. Stewart then set out to educate the local dental community on the benefits of SDIS, as he and his partners were the first oral surgeons in the area to use the system.

At first, Dr. Stewart noticed that the referring dentists in his area were overwhelmed by the broad product choice on the market and feared learning a new implant system after 15-20 years of using the same product. As it turned out, "The dentists discovered immediately that the Straumann implants and restorative components provided them with consistently reliable results."

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The Results

A Beautiful Smile

Using a Straumann implant, Dr. Stewart easily loaded the dental implant, which integrated quickly. On average, studies have shown a 98.8%^{1,2} success rate with the SLActive implant.

The replacement implant from Straumann has been a success and the patient is pleased with the outcome. "I'm pleased with the SLActive technology, and the quality and reassurance it provides to my patients. It sets the benchmark as the standard of care at my practice, and gives me confidence I can achieve successful clinical results in many different kinds of cases."

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