



Dr. Herman Kupeyan

For Dramatically Rapid Reconstructive Dentistry And More

Denture wearers have an alternative to cleaning, maintaining and affixing their false teeth. Now they can set aside their dentures and replace them with permanent implants. In just one hour.

Dr. Herman Kupeyan, BSc, DDS, MS, is a prosthodontist who practices aesthetic reconstructive and implant dentistry in Windsor. Prosthodontists specialize in treating a wide variety of complex dental conditions and restoring optimal function and aesthetics. Because of their extensive training and experience, they have a special understanding of the dynamics of the human smile, the preservation of oral health, and the creation of tooth and related-tissue replacements. Dr. Kupeyan has maintained his place at the forefront of his field. When tooth implants were introduced in the 1980s, he was among the first to learn the technology and has been part of its evolution.

When Dr. Kupeyan first performed tooth implants, the gums would be cut and then dental implants would be installed into the jaw bone. Then the patient would have to wait for the bone to grow around the implants. This would take, on average, six months for the upper jaw and three months for the lower jaw. "The patient would be without teeth for a week or more, while the gums healed," Dr. Kupeyan says. Then for months, the patient would wear dentures over the implants while the implants were taking hold. Once sufficient time had passed, the implants would have to be re-exposed through surgery before individual teeth or a full set could be secured into the implants. To complete the fabrication procedure would take up to another three months.

"In 1995, we started doing research to see if we could put teeth on implants immediately, without the wait time or having to re-expose the implants," Dr. Kupeyan says. It was determined that after the implants were installed, a provisional tooth could be secured on top of the installed implant. After the patient wore the provisional tooth for six months in the upper jaw or three months in the lower jaw, the provisional tooth would be removed and the final tooth would be fabricated, reducing the number of appointments and time formerly required for an implant. In 1998, Dr. Kupeyan published his "Immediate Provisionalization at Time of Implant Placement", demonstrating how temporary tooth could be installed on the same day as the implant. The

procedure worked well for single teeth and other researchers expanded it to a full set of replacement teeth in one day.

The Teeth in a Day method progressed to Teeth in an Hour. "This procedure is brand new," says Dr. Kupeyan. Prior to installation day, the replacement teeth are constructed, using CT-Scan and CAD/CAM technology to custom design the placement of the implants and the design of the final teeth. When the teeth are ready, the patient returns for the very minimal, non-invasive surgical procedure, which begins and ends with installing the dental implant and permanent teeth at the same time.

"This is all done without major surgery, with minimal opening of the gums to receive the implants," says the prosthodontist. An hour or less is required to set strong, permanent teeth. "I did the first case in Canada in Toronto in December, 2004" Dr. Kupeyan says. "The woman didn't have any pain. She was able to eat comfortably the next day."

With Teeth in an Hour, "patients can get rid of loose dentures that cause sores, click together or hinder speaking," says Dr. Kupeyan. "Firm, stable teeth enable you to eat better, improving your overall health."

"If you shied away from implants before, now you can have them in an hour - and they are permanent teeth." New patients, with or without referral from their own dentists, are able to book their own consultation appointments.

As Dr. Kupeyan continues to utilize the enhanced technologies for his patients, he is also improving and expanding his services. Dr. Kupeyan has teamed with two plastic surgeons, Dr. Isabel Chow and Dr. David Sion, to establish a new surgical centre at 1100 Ouellette Ave., across the street from his former office. Named Smile & Body, the centre has a hospital quality operating room, professional treatment and examining rooms and a comfortable lounge for optimum patient care.

"In this centre, we can facilitate our procedures even better," he says. "Now, my patients will have convenient access to plastic surgeons, should they wish to pursue options in cosmetic surgery. We are always available to discuss your personal goals, whether you want to be able to bite into an apple with confidence, create a healthy smile or transform into a whole new you."



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