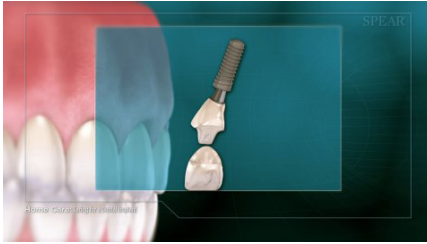


# Caring for a Dental Implant



Taking proper care of your dental implant is important in maintaining good oral health and ensuring the success and longevity of your dental implant placement. In many ways, caring for your dental implant is similar to how you would care for your natural teeth.



The implant restoration is composed of three parts: the implant, abutment, and crown. It is critical when cleaning the implant to use tools that will not damage any of these parts.



Make sure to brush your dental implant at and below the gum line like you would with a natural tooth.



It is also important to use floss or an interdental brush to clean in between neighboring teeth.



Consult with your doctor to figure out which type of tooth brush is the best for you to use. Additional brushes may be recommended that help clean the hard-to-reach areas around the implant.



Regular cleaning of your implant will help prevent plaque buildup that can cause inflammation of the gums, which can later lead to implant-related gum disease that can potentially result in loss of the implant.

