## Myths About Cosmetic Dentistry

For a lot of people, hearing the word "cosmetic" in any type of medical description leads to the assumption that the procedure not necessary. Any time cosmetic procedures become priority over other regular scheduled procedures there becomes a debate as to whether or not it's ethical. Contrary to popular belief, the term "cosmetic" should not be seen as synonymous with "optional" or "not necessary" in a medical setting.

There is a significant amount of reasons why one would undergo cosmetic dentistry. Aside from begin able to provide patients with an award winning smile, the <u>cosmetic dentist</u> has a job that far outweighs the desire to provide people with perfect teeth. Cosmetic dentistry alleviates people with chronic pain due to disease or a history of bad oral hygiene but eliminating the cause of the pain and in some cases, replacing it. Tooth and dental pain is arguably one of the worst pains a human can experience, making it nearly impossible to live a normal life if the pain is chronic. A lot of times, the pain isn't the result of one single tooth but, in fact, a combination of all the teeth which is where cosmetic dentistry comes in.

If you have ever broken teeth as the result of an accident or known someone who has, cosmetic dentists will repair and make the broken teeth look as though the accident never occurred. Without fixing broken teeth, you put your mouth at risk for infection due to the sharp edges of the teeth that could lacerate your tongue. Broken teeth can also cause someone's voice to alter because of the introduction of a space that was never there before. On top of the physical side effects of broken teeth, the emotional and mental effects can be just as serious. It can be shocking to see someone reveal broken or chipped teeth in their smile, making social interactions difficult for some.

Cosmetic dentistry isn't merely a specialty that merely focuses on teeth whitening and the creation of what people believe to be the "perfect smile". Cosmetic dentistry, like anything medically related to cosmetics, is essential to the dentist practice because we, as humans, are prone to accidents. Whether we injury our own teeth or they are injured for us, having the fixed is essential to getting back to living a normal, pain free life. Without cosmetic dentistry, we would see a lot less smiling in the world.