

Veneer Restorations

Porcelain/Ceramic Veneers

Porcelain veneers are an ideal way to fix front teeth. You can whiten your teeth, close spaces, and create a great smile. You can even do virtually “instant orthodontics” to straighten crooked teeth.

- Stained, discolored or washed out “fillings”
- Misshapen or crooked teeth
- Spaces between the teeth (diastemas)
- Broken or chipped teeth
- Permanently stained or discolored teeth
- Whiten dark yellow or stained teeth

Porcelain veneers are the answer for instant orthodontics to straighten smiles, close spaces, reshape, and accomplish minor realignment of your teeth. You can even have that "Hollywood" smile you've always wanted.

Veneers are very thin pieces of porcelain/ceramic and are bonded on the front of your anterior teeth. Dentists use some of the same techniques to bond composite/tooth-colored resins for minor smile corrections. These veneers are about 0.3mm to 0.5mm in thickness but are very strong once bonded to your teeth. They have a "life like" appearance with the strength, beauty, and durability only porcelain restorations can afford. Veneers have several advantages over crowns (caps). There is no "dark line" or “metal line” that is sometimes seen with older front crowns. They transmit light better and, therefore, have a more translucent appearance giving a natural, esthetic look. Veneers do not require the massive grinding of tooth structure that crowns do, yet, they accomplish a lifelike esthetic result.

How's it done? After a thorough discussion and planning to establish just what you wish to accomplish AND establish what can or cannot be done, your first appointment usually involves some minor contouring of the front teeth and making an impression of the teeth. The veneers fabricated and then are tried in, and, if satisfactory, they are bonded in place. A follow up visit is made. The results are instant and fantastic. Many times, we combine bleaching with porcelain veneers to make that perfect smile. If some front teeth are already badly broken down, we can place new all porcelain crowns combined with veneering and other cosmetic techniques. As always, talk to us and discuss your specific desires. Usually, we can give you that smile you have always wanted.

If you have any questions about porcelain/ceramic veneer restorations, please feel free to ask us.