

## IMPLANT EMERGENCIES

Prevention is far better than an attempt to cure, which is:

- Unpredictable
- Can be uncomfortable
- Expensive
- Involve more surgery

In order to reduce the risk of problems the following are recommended:

- Clean the implant twice daily as demonstrated by the hygienist or dentist
- Keep up with regular ( 3 monthly) visits to the hygienist to remove the harmful biofilm which develops around implants and teeth
- Report immediately any signs of swelling, discomfort or increased bleeding
- Report immediately any signs of loosening
- Seek assistance from a qualified implant dentist if the crown comes off. Keep the crown safe until it is refitted.
- Report immediately any trauma to the implant from a fall or blow.