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WHAT CAUSES GUM DISEASE?

Periodontal disease is an inflammation of the gums; and, if it is not controlled, can lead to loss of the tissues that hold your teeth in place. It begins with **plaque** -- a sticky deposit of bacteria which proliferate on the teeth. Normally brushing and flossing between teeth will remove plaque; however, if you do not practice good oral hygiene, a variety of oral problems can occur.

Plaque that is not removed can cause the gum to pull away from the teeth creating pockets where more bacteria can accumulate; and, worse it can harden into **calculus** along and under the gum. If left untreated, these complicating factors can damage the tissue that supports your teeth, even the bone.

If you miss a regularly scheduled hygiene appointment, you increase the risk of compromising your dental health. Be sure to schedule your hygiene appointment. Routine and professional dental care are an important step in reducing the risk of gum disease and taking care of yourself. Don't overlook this important element of your health.

Office hours are Monday to Friday: 9:00am – 5:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am – 2:00pm

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"IF YOU IGNORE YOUR TEETH, THEY WILL GO AWAY."

-- Dr. Neil Marciano