

WATERFORD, MI, September 14, 2013 **/24-7PressRelease/** -- When a tooth becomes infiltrated with bacteria, the damage to the tooth can be so great the tooth may have to be pulled. However, at the Waterford, MI dentist office of Dr. Shane Davidson, root canal therapy can save the tooth and reduce the pain.

Root canal therapy is used to treat a tooth infection that spreads to the pulp or inner tooth material that rests beneath the tooth's hard layers. Because the tooth's roots and nerves rest in this area, the infection can lead to added pain and sensitivity.

Dr. Davidson offers root canals in his Waterford, MI dentist office to remove the diseased tooth material. To perform a root canal, Dr. Davidson drills a small hole in the top portion of the tooth and into the inner chamber where the soft dental material is. Through this hole, Dr. Davidson can remove the soft material and bacteria. The tissue is removed all the way down to the root canals, which are passageways that lead down to the tooth's roots. The small canals and inner portions of the tooth are filled with elastic and antibiotic material to kill off any remaining material and keep infection from coming back.

Root canals can require more than one trip to Dr. Davidson's Waterford, MI dentist office because a crown is commonly placed over the repaired tooth. At your first visit, Dr. Davidson may temporarily fill the hole he created to remove dead tooth material. Crowns are a covering for damaged teeth designed to look exactly like your surrounding teeth. While Dr. Davidson may have to remove a portion of your tooth material for the crown to fit, the crown allows you to have a natural-looking tooth without the need for a dental implant or bridge if the tooth was extracted.

A common misconception Waterford, MI patients have about root canals is that the procedure is painful. Innovations in dental therapy, such as improved medicines to numb the area, mean a root canal can be performed with minimal discomfort. Root canals are intended to lessen pain an infected tooth can cause.

"The goal of a root canal is to restore a tooth to health," says Dr. Davidson, Waterford, MI dentist. "The procedure helps to prevent dangerous dental abscesses that can occur if the infection is left untreated. Thanks to the high success rate of root canals, I can help a patient save his or her tooth."

Dr. Davidson's Davidson Family Dentistry office is located at 5574 Cooley Lake Road in Waterford, MI. To learn more about Waterford, MI crowns and root canals, call (248) 977-3006

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to speak with a member of Dr. Davidson's caring staff. You can also visit his website at <http://www.shanedavidsondds.com>

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About Davidson Family Dentistry: Dr. Shane Davidson received his Bachelor's of Science from Oakland University with a major in Biology and a minor in Biochemistry. From there he continued on to the University of Detroit-Mercy, School of Dentistry where he received his D.D.S. degree. Dr. Davidson believes in utilizing all treatment modalities for his patients' oral health and strives to stay abreast of current methods and materials used in dentistry.

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