

## Eau Claire Dentist Repairs Damaged Teeth With Dental Crowns

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EAU CLAIRE, WI, September 29, 2013 **/24-7PressRelease/** -- When a tooth is cracked, decayed, or damaged, a dental crown may need to be fitted onto the tooth for protection against further damage. Dr. Chris Poss, an Eau Claire dentist, works with his patients to create an appropriate treatment plan to restore and protect their smile. A dental crown is a permanent covering that fits over the original tooth and can be made of porcelain, gold and other materials. Porcelain crowns typically have the most realistic appearance.

"For teeth that are damaged or significantly decayed, natural-looking, tooth-colored crowns may be an appropriate solution for restoration. Dental crowns can also be used for purely aesthetic reasons - to change the shape or appearance of the teeth. I maintain the ability to provide dental crowns to protect a patient's teeth for superior results," stated Dr. Chris Poss on Eau Claire crowns.

All-ceramic crowns are the predominant material choice for dental crowns in Eau Claire and all over the country. They provide a metal-free esthetic option with a host of benefits. By eliminating the need for the supportive metal core, an esthetic all-ceramic crown can be created with a reduced thickness of material, which makes them more favorable treatment choices in areas with limited space. Additionally, the elimination of the metal core allows for light transmission through the porcelain for better optical, life-like properties and a higher level of esthetics.

During a patient's first visit, Dr. Chris Poss, dentist in Eau Claire, may numb the tooth that is to be crowned in order to remove the decay that is in or around the tooth. The tooth is then re-sculpted to provide an easy fit for the dental crown and is a painless procedure performed in the dental chair. An impression of the patient's teeth is taken and sent to a dental laboratory where permanent, custom dental crowns are created. While waiting for the fabrication of the dental crown, a temporary crown will be fitted onto the teeth for protection until the permanent crown is completed. At the next visit, Dr. Poss will remove the temporary dental crown and fit the permanent dental crown onto the damaged tooth. Dr. Poss will make sure the crown has the proper look and fit before cementing it into place.

After a permanent crown is placed, Dr. Poss will provide each patient with information on how to properly care for his or her new restoration. It is important to maintain proper oral hygiene habits by brushing twice daily and flossing with dental floss or interdental cleaners, once a day. These practices will help to remove plaque from the area where the crown meets the gum, and to help prevent dental decay and gum disease.

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crown. It is also important to avoid biting your fingernails and grinding your teeth, which could significantly shorten the life span of your dental crown. If you habitually clench or grind your teeth, we may recommend wearing a nighttime mouth guard to help protect your crowns while sleeping," said Dr. Poss about dental crowns in Eau Claire.

Patients should contact Dr. Chris Poss, an Eau Claire, WI dentist, if they have a cracked, decayed, or damaged tooth. The use of a dental crown can help to protect a tooth from further damage in the long run.

About Dr. Chris Poss: Dr. Chris Poss has been practicing in Eau Claire since 1989 at his current location. Dr. Poss and his staff strive to provide effective and convenient care to his patients. His practice offers a variety of services including veneers, whitening, nitrous oxide sedation and dentures, among others. Dr. Poss is a member of the American Dental Association and the West Central Wisconsin Study Club. He participates in continuing education programs each year to ensure that he is offering the most up to date and effective dental service to his Eau Claire patients.

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