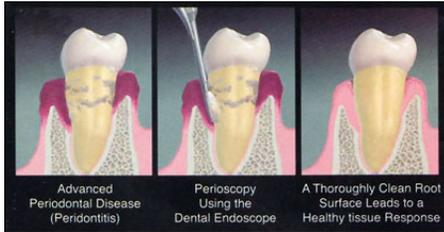


Why we choose the Perioscope



The Perioscope has transformed our practice into a predominately non-surgical periodontal practice. Patients who previously would have been treatment planned for osseous surgery and bone grafting can now have equivalent or sometimes better results through non-surgical therapy via the Perioscope. The cost associated with the Perioscope is also a fraction of the cost of surgery and case acceptance is very high because it is non-surgical. We also do not have to wait for grafting to heal to evaluate the effectiveness of our treatment. Typically our re-evaluation takes place 2-3 months after the use of the Perioscope. This allows us to return the patients back to the restorative practice in a more timely manner.

- Dr. Ryan Gifford

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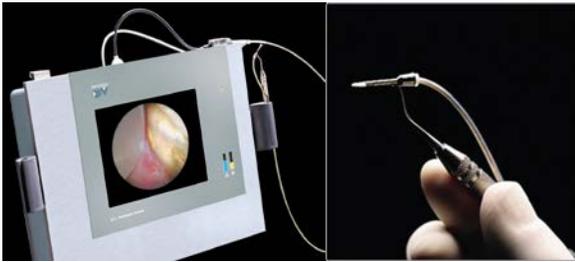
"Root planing without the Perioscope is like washing your car in the dark with a blindfold on. You would be lucky to get half of the car clean."
-Dr. David Trylovich

Perioscopy

Non-Surgical Option for Treating Periodontal Disease



Healing Through
A Better Vision



(LEFT) Perioscope Monitor with Displayed Image. (RIGHT) Perioscope Camera

What is Perioscopy?

Perioscopy is a new procedure using a miniature dental endoscope with advanced video, lighting and magnification technology that enables your doctor to diagnose and hygienist to treat areas below the gum line non-surgically.

How does the dental endoscope work?

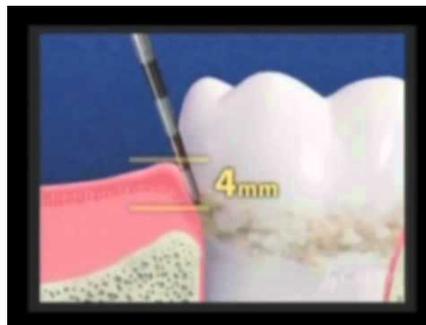
A miniature camera is attached to a tiny probe and then gently placed below the gum line. The images are immediately displayed on a chairside video screen for your clinician and you to see. The dental endoscope provides up to 48 times magnification, disclosing minute details under the gums that before might have been easily missed. Root planing which is normally done blind can now be done very effectively with vision.

What are the advantages of Perioscopy?

The Perioscope eliminates the need for periodontal surgery in about 90% of the cases that we treat. It often allows us to get bone regeneration as if bone grafting was done. Patients benefit by saving money and having minimal to no discomfort.

Is Perioscopy right for me?

If you have one or more pockets over 4mm deep, as well as other suspected dental conditions, then you may be a candidate for Perioscopy. If you are being treated for periodontal disease, the goal of a Perioscopy treatment is to get a tooth root exceptionally clean so that the gums and other surrounding tissues can become healthier.



Periodontal probe measuring the space between the tooth and the gum tissue.

Can surgery be avoided with Perioscopy?

In many cases, the need for surgery may be avoided. Gum surgery is a frequently used therapy for patients with advanced periodontitis. Now Perioscopy offers another option which can be used to treat you comfortably and effectively without the apprehensiveness and discomfort of surgery.

How long does Perioscopy take?

Because of the intricate clinical nature of Perioscopy, procedures tend to take a bit longer than a standard appointment with a hygienist. Depending on the condition and location of the teeth being cared for, treatment usually takes from one to two hours.

Is Perioscopy expensive?

Perioscopy treatment is often a fraction of the cost of surgery. Patients frequently report that Perioscopy was definitely a worthwhile investment and helped them to save their natural teeth.