

This economic crisis is taking it's toll on everyone

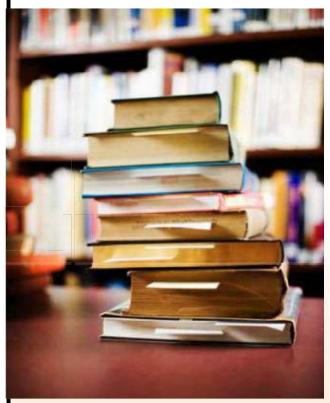
Here are Five key components to help

you keep some of that hard earned cash in your Piggy Bank

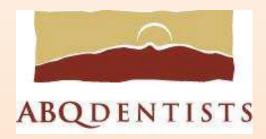




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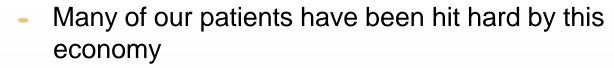


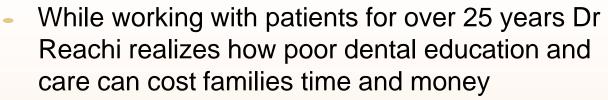
Commissioned by ABQ Dentists











- So, we hired an independent research company to study today's dental environment to uncover strategies that will help families save money while getting the best dental care
- •We are excited to share this executive briefing with you!







Main Topics



- 1. How poor dental knowledge will put you and your family at risk for more dental treatment
- 2. How choosing the wrong dentist can scar you for life and make you avoid proper care
- 3. How a poor smile can stifle your career advancement and cost you thousands
- 4. How delaying dental treatment will cost you in the long run
- 5. How relying solely on dental insurance for treatment is a mistake





Challenge 1: Poor dental knowledge will put you and your family at risk

What you don't know is hurting you and your family and may lead to more dental care





Can you protect yourself and your family from the Number one Disease in the World

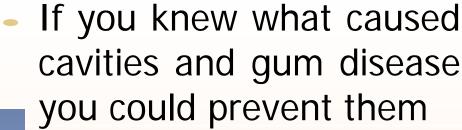


Cavities are the number one disease among children according to the world health Organization. They are 100% preventable!





A Lack of Dental Knowledge can cost you Thousands





If you knew how to heal your cavities you could have prevented your dental work





Cavities and Gum disease Are Contagious

- 3 Billion people suffer from cavities
- Bacteria cause cavities and gum disease
- Bacteria is contagious, we catch it from others.
- The bacteria that causes gum disease can contribute to
 - heart disease, diabetes, infertility, and strokes
- Diet and Nutrition Prevention of Chronic Disease Source document WHO 2003





Cavities are painful and unsightly



- Cavities look like black holes, they can destroy your confidence especially in the front of your mouth
- Cavities hurt and can make eating unbearable from cold and sweet sensitivity





Bad Breath



- Cavities are caused by bacteria and the odor can be overwhelming for those around you
- Most people who suffer from bad breath do not know it
- Would a coworker tell you if you had bad breath
 - Mail online Health: Have you got the most common disease in the world? by RUTH EASTMAN, femail.co.uk





Poor dental care?



Faulty dental work is more common than you think, and it just might be the cause of your bad breath. Most dentists are honest and will share the truth but some dental issues to be aware of include

- Overhanging fillings
- Unfinished scaling
- Leaking crowns
- III fitting dentures

Is Bad Dental Work Causing Your Bad Breath? By Paul J. Heldt - TheBadBreathReport





Poor Oral Hygiene

- Bad breath is usually caused by active oral disease Colgate Oral and dental health resource page www.Colgate.com
- Over 3 Billion people suffer from bad breath
- 32% of Americans cite Bad Breath as the least attractive attribute of coworkers
- According to the World Health Organization, reports showed that 85% of adults have gum disease, and most are not aware of it.





Challenge 2: Choosing the wrong dentist can scar you for life ...

and make you avoid proper care which leads to bigger and more expensive problems

www.dentalcomfortzone.com dental comfort zone
DR. JERRY GORDON
How Dental Fears Work



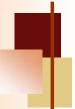


What Causes people to be fearful

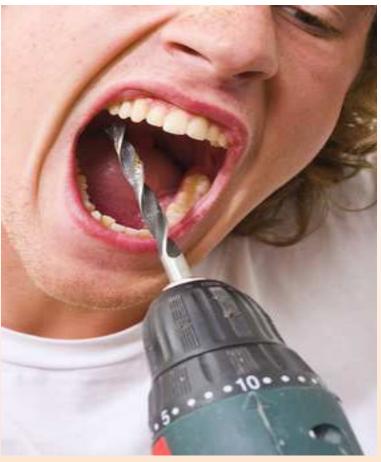
- A dentist who is rough and hurts you
- A dentist who does not care about you
- Gagging on material and feeling like you can't breath
- Having your pain ignored







Fear of Pain



 Fear is the number one reason patients avoid the dentist.

 Past traumatic dental experiences are debilitating for some





Dental pain effects productivity

- 50% of people are effected by oral pain
- Every year 164 Million work hours are lost to dental pain

51 Million school hours are missed

 \$65 Billion Dollars are spent on dental expenses each year

deltadental.com/ValueStandaloneDentalBenefits201003.pdf





Why Do People Choose Pain Over Dental Visits

- Bad experiences during dental visits are the number one reason given
- Fear of shots is second
- And Cost is number 3







Deep seated fear scars for life

 When you develop fear it is no longer an issue you can rationalize, it becomes a physiologic response you have no

control over!

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dental_fear







Uncontrollable Fear

 Rapid heart rate, sweating, nausea, restlessness, sleeplessness, dizziness, anxiety, lightheadedness are just a few

symptoms

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dental_fear







Challenge 3: A poor smile will stifle your career advancement

- Its not just you at risk; We live in a highly visual society your children's chances for success depend on many visual factors.
- We want to believe there
- is no bias against physical
- attractiveness but
- our society is cruel

 Hreonline.com Ugly People Need Not Apply? Two new polls that show how a job candidate's good looks -- or lack thereof -- can affect their job-search process, and the results hardly paint a pretty picture.





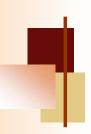
Lasting effects



- 27% of people report being self conscious or embarrassed about their oral condition
- 10% effected by speech problems
- 30% of adults have lost all of their teeth

Source: WHO Global Oral Health Data Bank and WHO Oral Health Country/Area Profile, 2000 - Dr. Poul Erik Petersen, World Health Organization





Does your appearance and smile have an impact on your future?

- Definitely! 50% of Americans site the smile as the number one feature they look for in a partner
- Studies show that appearance is very important in all walks of life







Your Smile Will Effect Your Career

- In business a great smile often effects the success of that person
- Studies site: Attractive people often receive better promotions and greater income

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 YOUR SMILE IS THE FIRST ATTRIBUTE CONSIDERED WHEN DETERMINING ATTRACTIVENESS AND TRUSTWORTHINESS







Do YOU have a great smile?

Do You Love Your Smile?

Do You Love

The Way It Makes

You Feel?







Your Child's Future Happiness



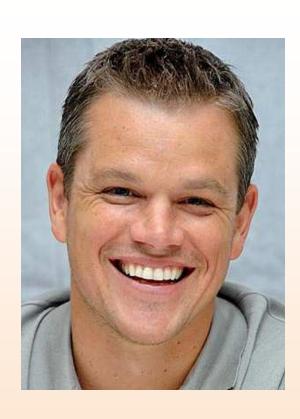
- A 2001 study by psychologists at the University of California, Berkeley found that coeds whose smiles were brightest in their senior yearbook scored highest on measures of overall well-being
- A study from DePauw University shows that how intensely people smile in childhood photographs, as indicated by crow's feet around the eyes, predicts their adult marriage success

Scientific America By <u>JordanLite</u> | September 3, 2009 |





Your Smile Influences What People Think of You



- Within 7 seconds people have already made assumptions about you
- Bad Breath or a Poor Smile Are 2 **Immediate Strikes** Against You





Your Smile Influences What People Think of You



- People often and perhaps unfairly judge you based on your smile
- They make assumptions about your economic level, education level and level of sophistication





Who would you hire









How Do you Contribute to How Others View you

 50% of how others feel about you is determined by how you feel about yourself

Confidence

 People who feel good about themselves exude radiance that others pick up on







Your Smile Influences What People Think of You



- A Great Smile Is The First And Lasting Impression.
- A Great Smile Is Considered a Sign Of Success



Challenge 4: Delaying dental treatment will cost you in the long run

If you catch a cavity early you can heal it.

If you wait it can become a hole and need a filling,

If you continue to wait it will need a crown,

Wait even longer and it's a root canal and a crown,

Longer still you will loose it a need an implant

Cost \$0 Cost \$200 Cost \$1100 Cost \$2500 Cost \$3600







How long does dental work last?

- No matter what dental treatment you receive it will not last forever
- Pretty tooth colored fillings last on average less than 5 years
- Insurance pays for crowns every 5 years because that is the national average life expectancy for that restoration







A dental emergency can rack up <u>HUGE</u> dental bills

- Broken teeth can be a huge surprise
- Planning ahead and using sports guards can save a bundle









Emergency Dental Care is Expensive

An after hours dental visit can cost over \$250 just for the exam



- Then you still need to pay for all the treatment
- How will you come up with that CASH?
- Even insurance only pays half if your lucky
- Prevention is almost free



Challenge 5: Relying solely on dental insurance for treatment is a mistake

There was a time in the golden age of insurance when they covered nearly 100% of all our dental needs

DentalInsurance -JoseA.Bushdid, DMD. CoralGables, FL33134



1958 corvette





Then and Now

In 1950 a crown cost \$40

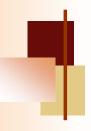
Insurance covered \$1000 per year



- In 2010 a crown
- Costs \$1100
- Insurance covers\$1000 per year







The cost of dental care has gone up

The cost of dental premiums have gone up

But insurance benefits have not

Hard to believe but true







Not only has benefits stayed the same over 60 years they cover less

In 1950 most coverage was 100 %



Today only cleanings are covered 100%, most other treatment is covered at 50%

No wonder your bill looks shocking





So what are the answers



- The right dentist is the most important choice you will make
- Having a dentist who teaches you what you need to know is key
- Being comfortable with your dentist so you trust and follow through with care is most important
- Payment options that are there to help when you or your family need treatment





Solution 1: Knowledge is POWER

 Being educated about the Causes, symptoms, risks, and cures of your oral condition can save your life

And a bundle of hard earned cash





Solution 2: Finding the Right Dentist is the Answer to anxiety

- Wouldn't it be nice to spend time talking to a medical professional before they start poking at you
- Feeling comfortable with your Dentist will build trust and make you feel more comfortable so you won't avoid treatment
- Having a dentist who really cares about you will change the way you feel about dentistry







A Dental Office Focused on Comfort

Can decrease

 anxiety by providing
 products designed
 to distract you

 Can be a relaxing, enjoyable experience







Solution 3: A Smile takes you places



 A confidence building smile makes you shine from the inside out



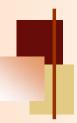


What is a great smile

- Smile line: The mouth at rest or in general conversation will display about 2-4mm of tooth
- Gum Display: When someone smiles you should only display the gum between the teeth
- White and Bright: White bright smiles are a sign of youth and beauty
- Proportions: Teeth have a height and width ratio
- Arch form: Crooked teeth are difficult to clean and look bad

Cathy at smile perfect.com Ft Lauderdale FI





GREAT SMILES





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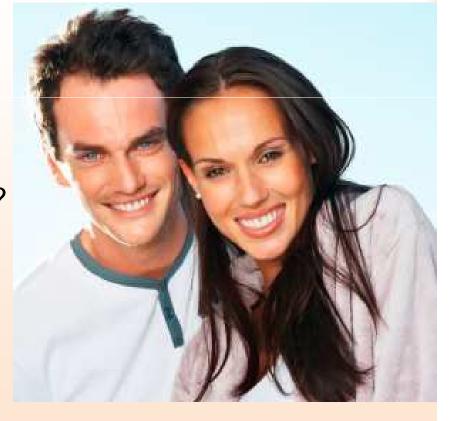


Do you WANT a great smile?

Do You want to Love Your Smile?

Do You want to

Love The Way It Makes You Feel?







Solution 4: Seeking immediate dental care Will save you time and money

- The smaller the restoration the less it costs
- If you can prevent it you don't need to pay for it.





Early treatment costs less

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Solution 5: Paying for dental care

- Doesn't have to break the bank
- Even if it's expensive there are things you can do



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Photo by Daniel St Pierre





The first part of paying is planning

- Yes your insurance is great for an emergency but don't count on them to pay for all your dental needs
- They do pay for prevention, take advantage of that







How can you fund your dental care needs

- Flex spending accounts are a great way to pay pre tax for all your dental and medical needs
- A personal savings account of just \$1.46 a day would cover your portion of a crown



Hey that's 1950's prices





So do you feel like you've learned a lot?

- You now know
 - Education is key; cavities are contagious and gum disease can contribute to heart disease
 - Postponing dental care will only cost you more in the long run
 - Your relationship with your dentist is very important
 - You can pay for the treatment you and your family needs if you plan for it





The most important thing you've learned is

Finding the right dentist should be your

number one priority



But the Searching doesn't need to be impossible





What to look for in a dentist

 These are the attributes to look for when searching for the right dentist for you and your family



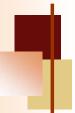


A Great Dentist Will



- Teach you valuable, necessary information. Not lecture you and make you feel guilty
- Listen and understand your concerns and needs
- Provide many treatment options
- Offer payment strategies to help you get the treatment you need





Look for a Dentist who will



- Take steps to reduce your stress and fear
- Explain your condition and treatment options
- Take time to get to know you in a private comfortable space not the dental chair





A Great Dental Team Will

- Care for you as if you were family
- Treat you with compassion and respect
- Be highly educated and skilled to provide your every dental need





Dr Gaylina Reachi of ABQ Dentists believes



Every patient deserves the best treatment possible

"When I educate patients about cavities, gum disease and how to prevent and heal them, I feel great about it."





ABQ Dentists Has the Right Stuff



- A Heart for Education
- Comfort dentistry
- Advanced Technology to offer many treatment options
- Creating and Maintaining
 Confidence Building Smiles
- Providing financing tools





OUR VISION

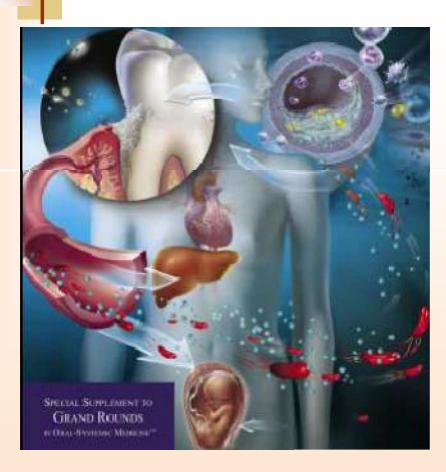
AT ABQ Dentists

 Our common vision is a commitment to our valued patient. We provide the highest quality dentistry through uncompromising standards and professionalism with sensitivity to the education, total wellness, and comfort of each patient.





How we are the answer 1: A Heart For Education



- Dr Reachi is passionate about sharing her knowledge
- Did you know you can heal cavities?
- There is no fluoride in bottled water.
- You can give your kids cavities!
- Gum disease can effect diabetes, infertility and heart disease





Caesy Educational Software

Chairside, CAESY's liveaction videos with crisp, state-of-the-art 3-D animations explain complex procedures in easy-tounderstand language. When patients see what you're talking about, they "get it."



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How we are the answer 2: Comfort Dentistry

- Music to sooth your senses
- Relaxing Art in a cozy environment
- Nitrous oxide, laughing gas
- Isolite comfort bite block
- Oral conscious sedation







Quiet Electric Handpieces

No need to be frightened by the loud sounds of old style drills,

New electric handpieces are much more quiet

Leave the office with a thumbs up







Isolite comfort dental block

Isolite Systems ends the tongue wars, eliminates shadows, and ensures patient comfort

A bite block for the patient, Suction and light for the doctor...

Everyone's happy



Isolite™ is a trademark of Isolite Systems. Isolite™ is a patented product of Isolite Systems





Sleep like a baby

- Laughing gas can be turned up or down to give you the perfect amount of relaxation
- Oral Sedation is a pill you take before your appointment to really help you relax







How we are the answer 3: The Cosmetics

- In office and Take Home Bleaching for a bright cheerful smile
- Porcelain Crowns & Veneers for that confidence building smile
- Snap on smiles







The Cosmetics





Before After

Crowns and Veneers can change your smile your confidence level and your life





Lumineer veneers

Transform Your Entire Appearance Painlessly with LUMINEERS

Smiling should be a happy, enjoyable experience, not stressful or embarrassing. With LUMINEERS, you no longer have to hide your smile...and you don't have to endure lengthy, uncomfortable procedures to get the smile you enjoy sharing with the world.

- · Painless procedure
- Sensitivity-free results
- Permanently white results that last
 - Quick and easy process

LUMINEERS...accept nothing less!



Lumineer veneers







Snap-On Smile®

is an affordable, non-invasive, and completely reversible, cosmetic, removable arch that can easily and painlessly give you a beautiful smile.

No shots. No drilling. 2 visits. Get started now!





REAL OPTIONS

Real cases...real results.



"It literally changed my life."
-Laura F., Patient





How we are the answer 4: Treatment when you need it

At ABQ Dentists we won't make you wait for weeks to see us.

> In most cases we can see you the same day





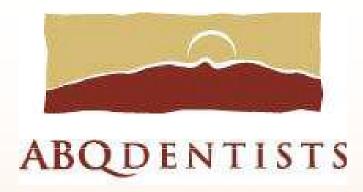
How we are the answer 5: The Financing

- We have partnered with Care Credit and Chase to offer you financing options so you and your family can get the treatment you need and deserve
- We offer senior discounts
- We also offer payment in full discounts to help





Besides all that



 We take pride in our advanced technology to help us meet your individual unique and specific dental needs



The Technology

- Digital X-rays
- Intra Oral Camera
- Cerec one visit crowns
- One hour veneers
- Cavitron ultrasonic scaler
- Laser assistedPeriodontal Therapy

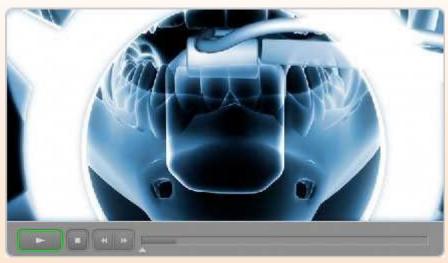






Digital X-Rays

- Reduce the radiation by 30 50 %
- Decrease your appointment time by 20 minutes





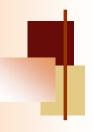


Intra Oral Camera

- Take a visual tour of your mouth
- Seeing is believing
- It's an easy comfortable hand held camera that Clicks the picture and

immediately shows up on the computer screen

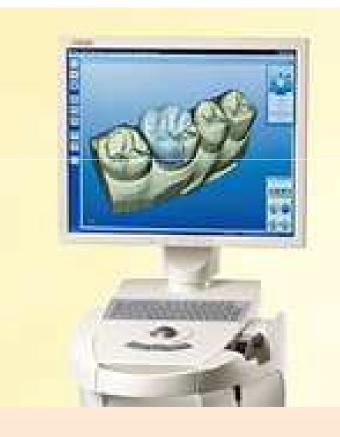




Crowns in a single visit

If a crown is unavoidable, we can fabricate gorgeous highstrength restorations out of porcelain blocks quickly and reliably during a single appointment.

No need for goopy impressions or temporaries for 3 weeks









One Hour Cerenate Veneers

 Pre made porcelain laminate crowns as low as \$500 each. As inexpensive as a plastic veneer with the stain free shiny semi permanent finish of a porcelain

They look fantastic

veneer.



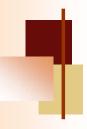


Cavitron Ultrasonic scaler

- An ultrasonic hand piece that sprays water on calculus and plaque and obliterates it instantly
- Decrease dental cleanings by 20 minutes, get out and do something fun with your extra time

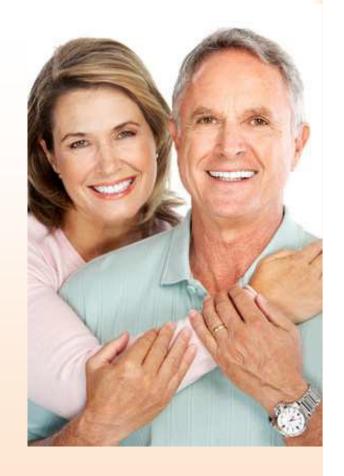




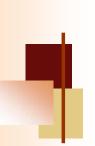


Laser assisted periodontal Therapy

- If you have gum disease and need surgery, this is the least invasive technique we can use.
- No shots necessary
 No Bleeding
 No Problem







So Do you feel like you've learned enough?

We would love to teach you more

 The best compliment our valued patients can give us is entrusting us with their friends and family

 We would love to teach your friends and family what we are teaching you feel free to send them to the website







You are cordially invited

We welcome youto visit our dental office and allow us to serv your dental needs

Leave with a smile for a change





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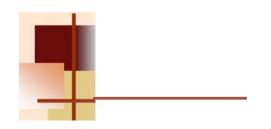




Our offer to you













We Always Offer

Free consultations and Second Opinions





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