

Invisalign® Straight Teeth, No Braces Life Time Smiles



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Invisalign is the invisible way to **straighten teeth** using a series of custom-made, nearly undetectable aligners.

Whether your teeth are crowded, crooked, too far apart or have shifted since wearing braces, you'll have reason to smile.

THE LATEST TECHNOLOGY MAKES INVISALIGN POSSIBLE

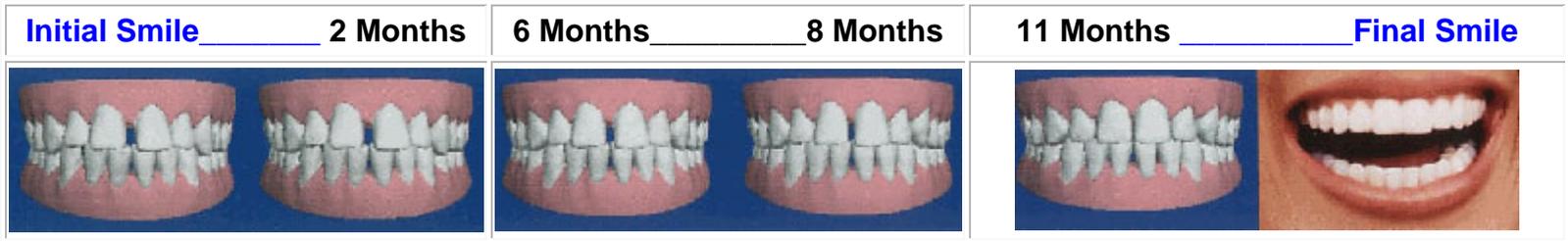
THE FOUR STEPS TO STRAIGHT TEETH :



- 1) Upon an initial consultation, your accredited Life Time Smiles dentist decides if Invisalign is right for you. Life Time Smiles will then write a treatment plan and take an impression of your teeth, which are submitted to Invisalign.
- 2) Using the latest advances in 3-D computer technology, Invisalign carefully translates your dentists instructions into a series of precisely customized aligners. We then show you your crowded, crooked or gapped teeth on our computer and every movement needed to make your teeth straight.

3) You then wear each set of aligners for two to three weeks, moving your teeth gradually: week by week, millimetre by millimetre--until you've achieved straighter teeth.

4) You only need to visit us every 6-9 weeks. Generally, you visit Enhance Dental no more than you would with braces and the length of treatment is about the same. In many cases it takes less time than braces. Also, your teeth look great over the entire treatment course as they gradually become straighter.



NO BRACES -- NOTHING TO HOLD YOU BACK

Because there are no metal wires and brackets, Invisalign is a comfortable. And because it's removable, eating, brushing and flossing are no problem. You can still enjoy your favorite foods and smile without holding back. With Invisalign, there's nothing to hide.

	INVISALIGN	BRACES
INVISIBLE SO NO ONE CAN TELL	YES	NO
REMOVABLE TO EAT WHAT YOU LIKE	YES	NO
REMOVABLE TO PREVENT DECAY AND GUM DISEASE	YES	NO
DOES NOT HAVE UNCOMFORTABLE METAL TO IRRITATE THE MOUTH	YES	NO



Braces make it extremely difficult to clean your teeth and gums. Decay and gum disease is harder to prevent.

 <p data-bbox="454 861 568 892">Before</p>	 <p data-bbox="844 861 925 892">After</p>	<p data-bbox="1088 210 1266 420">PROVEN RESULTS BEHIND GREAT SMILES</p> <p data-bbox="1088 451 1274 808">In both clinical research and in dental practices throughout the world, Invisalign® has been proven effective at straightening teeth.</p> <p data-bbox="1088 829 1274 1092">Only specially trained dentists such as those at have been certified and accredited to use Invisalign within Australia.</p>
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Invisalign® is the invisible new way to straighten teeth without braces. Invisalign® uses a series of clear, removable aligners to gradually straighten teeth, without metal or wires. Currently, dentists are treating more than 40,000 patients. The number grows daily. Invisalign® is available in Australia, United States, Canada & Europe. Align Technology Incorporated, the company that manufactures Invisalign®, was founded in 1997. In 1945 Dr. Kesling envisioned that one day, modern technology would enable the use of a series of tooth positioners to produce the kinds of movements required for comprehensive orthodontic treatment. Align Technology has made this vision a reality.

WHAT IS THE MAIN BENEFITS OF INVISALIGN COMPARED TO BRACES ?

- 1) Invisalign® is nearly invisible - you can straighten your teeth without anyone knowing. Even ceramic braces are very noticeable compared to invisalign.
- 2) Invisalign® is removable - you can eat and drink what you want in treatment; you can also brush and floss normally to maintain good oral hygiene and prevent the possibility of decay or gum disease. Food can't get stuck around your teeth like it does with braces.
- 3) Invisalign® is comfortable - there are no metal brackets or wires to cause mouth irritation; no metal or wires also means you spend less time in the dentist's chair getting adjustments. Braces can sometimes be painful and can cause mouth ulcers.
- 4) Invisalign® allows you to view your own computerised treatment plan before you start - so you can see detailed three dimensional images of how your straight teeth will look and how long treatment should take. Braces cannot do

this.

5) Invisalign® often does not require teeth removal. No removal of teeth means much less discomfort, quicker treatment and a fuller smile. With braces, teeth may need to be removed.

The detailed information below explains a lot more about invisalign including how it works, how long treatment takes and how often you need to visit the dentist.

WHAT IS THE COST OF INVISALIGN ?

As with other types of orthodontic treatment, the cost of Invisalign® is heavily dependent on the complexity of a patient's case.

For minor crowding that can be treated with 10 aligners or less the fee is from \$2900 to \$5900.

For moderate crowding the fee is from \$5900 to \$8500. The average fee being around \$7500.

For complex crowding the fee is from \$8500 to \$9900.

The exact cost is determined once the computerised treatment plan is worked out and the number of aligners and complexity is fully analysed with the computer before any treatment commences. If you have orthodontic coverage (braces), Invisalign® should be covered to the same extent as conventional braces. Payment plans can be arranged or use of third party payment plans such as 'Australian Patient Finance' can spread the costs over several years. A 20% Australian tax rebate (discount) is also available for any amount over and above the first \$1500 spent on all dental and medical costs combined. As an example if the total fee for your treatment is \$8000 then you will receive a discount of \$1300. Meaning that you effectively pay \$6700.

WHAT PAYMENT METHODS ARE AVAILABLE?

1) Payment in full for the entire cost of Invisalign at least seven days prior to the start of treatment.

This option will save you 5% off the entire cost of treatment. (Book keeping courtesy)

2) 1st payment of \$1950 once records (impressions, photos etc) have been done.

2nd payment of \$1950 or more is then payable when the initial aligners are supplied. (For treatments totaling \$3900+)

Equal installments are then payable up until two months prior to the completion of treatment on any balance that is owing.

3) Extended monthly or weekly payment plans with no deposit over 2 to 5 years for the entire cost of Invisalign treatment. As soon as we quote you for your Invisalign treatment call **Australian Patient Finance** on 1300 737 059.

Repayment Plan for \$5,000	Weekly payment	Monthly payment
5 years	\$28	\$121
4 years	\$33	\$142
3 years	\$41	\$177
2 years	\$58	\$249

Repayment Plan for \$7,500	Weekly payment	Monthly payment
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5 years	\$42	\$179
4 years	\$49	\$210
3 years	\$61	\$262
2 years	\$86	\$369

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WHO IS SUITABLE FOR INVISALIGN TREATMENT ?

Dentists can use Invisalign to treat a vast majority of patients with fully-erupted molars. Both adults and adolescents may be suitable. Thousands of dentists are treating patients with Invisalign. It works for a wide range of people whose teeth are too crowded or have spaces between them, as well as for those whose teeth may have shifted after having worn braces in their youth. Invisalign can also be combined with other dental treatments.

HOW DOES INVISALIGN WORK ?

Invisalign® uses 3-D computer imaging technology to show you the complete treatment plan from the initial position to the final desired position before treatment even starts. As soon as you are happy with the computer simulation, a series of custom-made "Aligners" are produced. Each "Aligner" moves teeth incrementally and is worn for about two to three weeks, then replaced by the next in the series until the final position is achieved. Computer processing is not possible with braces. The computer simulation can also be used to estimate how long your treatment will take. Invisalign aligners are nearly invisible and look similar to clear tooth-whitening trays, but are custom-made for a better fit to move teeth. They are like "contact lenses for teeth."

Invisalign® Aligners move teeth through the appropriate placement of controlled force on the teeth. The principal difference to braces is that Invisalign® not only controls forces, but also controls the timing of the force application. At each stage, only certain teeth are allowed to move, and these movements are determined by the orthodontic treatment plan for that particular stage. This results in an efficient force delivery system. If a tooth is very round in shape or requires complex movement then an almost invisible bump, known as an attachment, is temporarily bonded onto the specific tooth. This procedure causes absolutely no pain or discomfort and helps the aligner to grip the tooth and move it into position. In some complex cases elastics and other adjunctive methods may also be considered.

HOW LONG DOES INVISALIGN TAKE TO COMPLETE TREATMENT ?

Typically the treatment duration is similar to braces. An average time frame is 11 months but could take less than 6 months or around two years in more complex cases. The degree of changes required to obtain a perfect smile will determine the number of aligners required and the number of aligners determines the duration of treatment. Fortunately, unlike braces, the duration of treatment can be determined before treatment starts simply by viewing the simulated computerised movements of your teeth in less than a few minutes. During Treatment enhance dental will schedule regular appointments - usually about once every six to twelve weeks. This way you can be sure the Invisalign treatment is progressing as planned.

WHAT IF I AM PLANNING TO GET MARRIED ?

Congratulations ! Many of our patients have chosen to do Invisalign even if they are getting married for many great reasons. Firstly every bride and groom wants to look their best on the most important day of their lives. Secondly you never need worry about your wedding day being spoilt by having visible braces. We will endeavor to tailor your treatment plan to enhance those teeth that show in your smile before your wedding day if you have not allowed enough time. This does not incur any extra fees and also includes any reshaping or bonding at no charge. Thirdly if you are planning a long honey moon and you have not completed treatment, it will not compromise your treatment.

IS INVISALIGN TREATMENT PAINFUL ?

No! Most people experience temporary, minor discomfort for a few days at the beginning of each new stage of treatment. This is normal and is typically described as a feeling of pressure. It is a sign that Invisalign® is working sequentially moving your teeth to their final destination. This discomfort typically goes away a couple of days after you insert the new Aligner in the series. Compared to traditional braces, which can sometimes be very painful, Invisalign is virtually pain free. In order to create space, if it is needed to straighten your teeth, some polishing of teeth may be required. (Typically less than 0.4 mm) This has no detrimental effect on the tooth and is normally done without anaesthetic since it is pain free in most cases.

WILL INVISALIGN AFFECT MY SPEECH ?

Like all orthodontic treatments, Aligners may temporarily affect the speech of some people, and you may have a slight lisp for a day or two. However, as your tongue gets used to having Aligners in your mouth, any lisp or minor speech impediment caused by the Aligners should disappear. Aligners should be worn all day, except when eating, brushing and flossing. About 22 hours of wear per day.

WILL INVISALIGN AFFECT THE TYPES OF FOOD I CAN EAT ?

Unlike traditional wires & brackets, you can eat whatever you desire while in treatment because you remove your Aligners to eat and drink. Thus, there is no need to restrict your consumption of any of your favourite foods. However, a diet that is high in sugars and involves frequent snacks should be avoided . Also, it is important that you brush your teeth after each meal and prior to re-inserting your Aligners to maintain proper hygiene.

WILL MY TEETH REMAIN STRAIGHT AFTER INVISALIGN TREATMENT IS COMPLETED ?

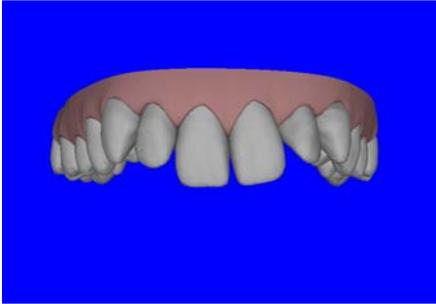
In order to prevent your teeth moving after treatment is completed some patients might need a positioner, or a conventional retainer like those patients that have had braces. Other patients might need a clear plastic retainer similar to the ones Invisalign® makes. Removable retainers are only worn while sleeping. Every patient is different and the most suitable retainer will be discussed with you.

CAN ANY DENTIST DO INVISALIGN TREATMENT ?

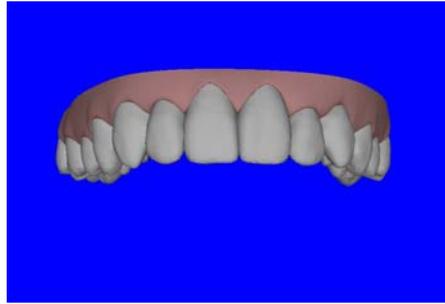
No! Specific training is needed before dentists can begin treating patients with Invisalign. Dr Jeff Albert at the Life Time Smiles Group is Invisalign®-certified and fully accredited. Jeff has studied all manner of cosmetic dentistry, from crown and bridge to full mouth re-constructions. In 1994 Jeff commenced his Dental Implant education with the world pioneers of implant dentistry, Swedish company Noble Biocare. During this same year Jeff added to his growing resume adding on another degree from Sydney University in the area of Clinical Dentistry. In 1996 Jeff completed a course from the United Dental Hospital (Sydney) in combined Implant Surgical and Prosthodontics. By this time Jeff had amassed both education and practical experience in cosmetic and implant dentistry in Sydney and then travelled to San Francisco where he completed further study and then became a member of the world wide group of cosmetic dentists – The American Academy of Cosmetic Dentists (AACD). Since then Jeff has continued his education in his area of passion including traveling to Perth in 2003 to study under Dr Patrick Henry, acknowledged internationally as a leader in Dental Implantology.

These areas of Dentistry greatly enhance his expertise in treating Invisalign® cases. This means all options are explored before you commence Invisalign® treatment and if necessary, a combination of treatments can be considered in cases that may be more complex than usual.

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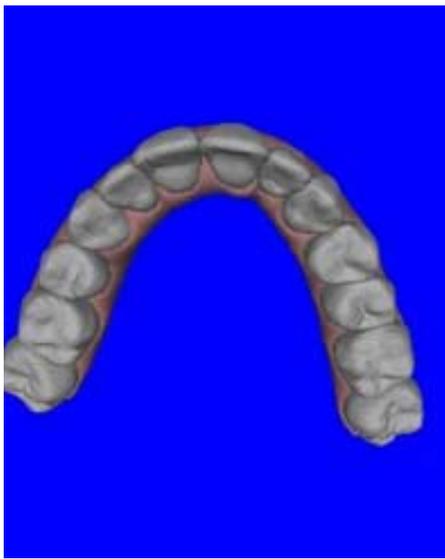
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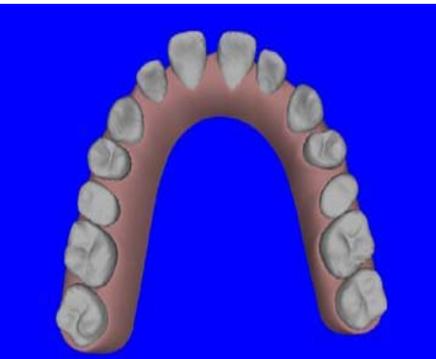
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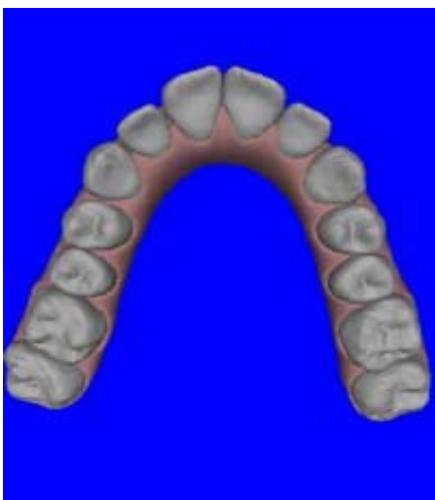


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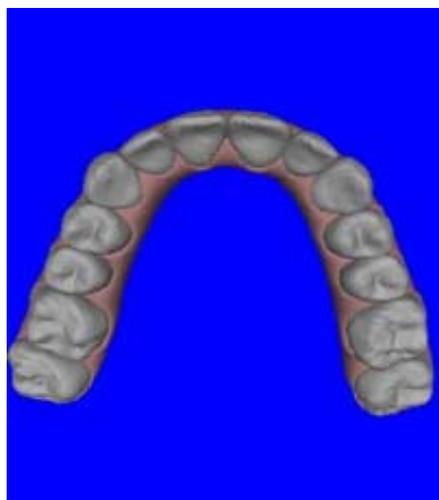


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Before



After



All the images above of the 'before' and 'after' are actual invisalign computer generated 3D simulations of treatment.