

Long Distance Implant Dentistry Fees

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Comprehensive Reconstruction of Mandibular Jaw with Crowns & Bridge Restorations

A Long Distance Treatment Scenario

A word about
the fees in this treatment.. . .

The
fee for this treatment was \$20,000.00. That included 8 implants, 14 crowns,
the provisional restorations, the extractions, but not the travel to and from
Texas. When I presented this fee to the patient, she seemed very pleased.
After treatment, I asked her what her previous dentists in Texas had proposed
for her treatment and what the costs would be. Here's how it broke down:

Her
previous dentists (who will no longer see her since she jumped ship and came
to me for treatment) had told her that implants could not be placed behind
the bicuspid. They therefor proposed a treatment plan for 5 implants and
either a screw retained or cemented prosthesis. The fee for this was \$26,565.00.

In
retrospect, I feel that 5 implants would have been totally inadequate for
this patient's needs. Obviously, while it was extremely difficult to place
the four implants behind the bicuspid, it could be done. It would be much
easier to place implants in just the anterior mandible, but to do that and
then charge the patient such a high fee for what today is a routine procedure
does not seem very nice to me.