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Arestin

My experience placing Arestin was delightful. At first, I thought I had the perfect patient with the specific characteristics and sites needed. The patient was evaluated a week after the completion of cleaning. This patient presented localized 5 mm pocket depths on the posterior teeth; however, some of the deep pockets were pseudopockets due to the position of the third molars. Only 2 sites were placed on teeth #14-D (5mm) and #15-D (5mm). 4 weeks after, the patient was re-evaluated and both 5mm pockets were reduced to 4 mm. My second patient for Arestin had localized 5mm pocket depths on the posterior and a 5mm PD on the maxillary anterior teeth; this patient had a lot of dentistry work done, such as crowns and bridges. Patient had 6 sites with 5 mm pocket depth on #3-D, #3-L, #3-M, #6-M, #30-D and #30-M. 4 weeks after, this patient was re-evaluated and only 2 sites remained the same #6-M (5mm) and #30-M (5mm) and the other 4 were reduced to 4 mm.

The placement of Arestin on my second patient was very rewarding because the patient demonstrated a great improvement with the reduction of pockets and also the patient was very motivated to maintain stable oral health. Also, the instructor that was guiding me in this process gave me good feedback and encouragement for such a nice placement of Arestin on a difficult angle. Overall, this was a great experience and I am looking forward to keep learning and become an outstanding care provider..