



You may have heard the term "cosmetic dentistry" and wondered exactly what that term means. As a restorative dentist, I focus not only on restoring and replacing natural teeth, but also on giving our patients beautiful smiles. As such, cosmetic considerations are a very important part of our practice.

Some patients have been dissatisfied with their smile for years, and they come to us for a "smile makeover". Other patients, however, have more subtle concerns, and these are also addressed.

To determine your level of satisfaction with your smile, take a close look at your teeth in a mirror. Ask yourself the following questions:

1. Do you dislike the color of your teeth? YES NO
2. Do you have spaces between your teeth that bother you? YES NO
3. Do you have chips or uneven edges on your teeth? YES NO
4. Do you have dark fillings that show when you smile? YES NO
5. Do you feel your teeth are too long or too short? YES NO
6. Do your gums show too much when you smile? YES NO
7. Are your teeth too crowded or crooked? YES NO
8. Do you have existing dental work you consider "ugly"? YES NO
9. Are you self-conscious about your teeth or smile? YES NO
10. Has anyone (friend, family member, etc.) ever suggested that you should do something about your teeth or smile? YES NO
11. Do you have old mercury fillings that you feel should be replaced? YES NO
12. Do you avoid smiling when you have your picture taken? YES NO
13. Would you like to improve your existing smile? YES NO

If you answered "yes" to one or more of these questions, then please bring this letter with you to your next appointment. We will listen to your concerns and advise you of your options so you can make an informed decision.

Please feel free to give us a call at 813 689-4226 or E-mail us at smile@doctorsaylor.com to make an appointment for a cosmetic evaluation, or bring any other concerns you may have about your dental health to our attention. We want you to leave smiling!