

WORD OF MOUTH

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Finding Dr. Right, Finally

This is the last installment in this find-a-doctor series. If you missed the others, they should be posted on our website by now.

Equipment/techniques used—R. dam, laser, wand

advertise as specialist (cosmetic, implant, makeover

Office visit: what to look for. Talk to pts in reception area. How long is wait. Do they seem to care. Elaborate office

Treatment: How to tell if the work done is acceptable. Did it meet your expectations? Did you clearly state your expectations?(everyone answer yes here). Do you have specific concerns? Is the dentist making a genuine attempt to solve or at least find the source of the problem? Is the dentist trying to explain the problem and treatment(s) needed? Follow-up calls. Recall cards

In the end, you will probably not be able to make an evaluation of the dentist's dental skills, if that is your objective.

Web topics:

Sensitive toothpaste, whitening toothpaste, types of floss, replacing amalgams