

The Ten Most Frequently Asked Questions About

TIP-EDGE PLUS ORTHODONTICS



by Aerni Dental

ABOUT Dr. William Aerni



Dr. William Aerni was born and raised in Northeast Ohio and graduated from St. Ignatius High School. He then attended Baldwin Wallace College and graduated from Case Western Reserve University with a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree in 1988.

In 1986 he became certified at the Midwest Implant Institute at Case Western Reserve University after participating in a surgical and prosthetic endosseous implant externship program. He earned the prestigious Robert James Award in recognition of the extern who personally devoted and dedicated himself to the pursuit of excellence in general dentistry and implantology. Dr. Aerni's first implant restorative

patient in 1991, treated in dental school was his father - who still maintains his implants and excellent oral health today.

The Academy of Gp Orthodontics is where Dr. Aerni furthered his studies in adult and child orthodontics in 2003.

Dr. Aerni resides in Strongsville with his wife Sue and has five children, living close to his Strongsville Dental Office. He is active within the Strongsville community, belonging to both the Chamber of Commerce and Strongsville Rotary where he was named a Paul Harris Fellow in 2004. For many years he has enjoyed coaching football for the Catholic Youth Organization.

Aerni Dental's beautiful office is located on Pearl Road in Strongsville abutting the Cleveland Metroparks. Their patient rooms all have large windows offering relaxing views of the everchanging scenery. You won't find a prettier view in any other dentist's office.



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Actual Tip-Edge PLUS treatment by Dr. Aerni:



Before treatment



At banding



After 6 months



After treatment

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WHAT ARE TIP-EDGE PLUS BRACES?

Tip-Edge PLUS is an advanced technology bracket system that gives you the edge on treatment times and comfort. They are specially designed to move teeth naturally, using **very light forces**, low anchorage strain and no archwire binding – a major source of friction with regular metal braces. Tip-Edge PLUS brackets are the versatile system for moving teeth quickly, gently, and comfortably, so you get results with **fewer appointments and less overall treatment time.**

DOES TIP-EDGE PLUS WORK?

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Yes! The reason Dr. Aerni chose the Tip-Edge PLUS system is because in addition to their aesthetic benefits, the special technology allows for **gentle tooth movement and more precision** that ordinary braces. You can be sure you're getting the perfect smile you've always wanted.



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DOES TIP-EDGE PLUS HURT?

Tip-Edge PLUS is **designed for your comfort**. Your braces use an advanced technology for more gentle tooth movement and precision than ordinary braces can provide. They are specially made for maximum comfort while they straighten your teeth.

Tip-Edge PLUS provides:

- Less discomfort than ordinary braces with gentle tooth movement
- Super smooth, rub-resistant surface
- Cheek and lip protection with gently rounded edges
- Maximum comfort and hygiene using extra small “low-profile” design

HOW LONG DOES TREATMENT TAKE?

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Most Tip-Edge PLUS cases take **between 12 and 18 months**. Treatment time may vary depending on the teeth that need to be moved.

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HOW OFTEN DO I NEED TO COME IN FOR APPOINTMENTS?

With Tip-Edge PLUS usually you will visit our office **less often** than you otherwise would with traditional braces. Appointments are about once every eight weeks.



ARE THERE ANY DIETARY RESTRICTIONS?

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There are many things you should not eat in order to maintain the integrity of your braces such as apples, popcorn, candy, corn on the cob, raw carrots, etc.

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DO I NEED RETAINERS AFTER MY TIP-EDGE TREATMENT?

Just like with traditional braces, we recommend anyone who has completed Tip-Edge PLUS treatment, use a retainer to **prevent their teeth from gradually shifting back** towards their initial position. Since every case is different, we will confirm your need for retainers once treatment is completed.

WHAT ABOUT “DO IT YOURSELF AT HOME BRACES”? ARE THEY AS EFFECTIVE?

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The Tip-Edge PLUS system demands **careful diagnosis and treatment planning by a licensed dentist customized to each patient** to work effectively. Utilizing an “At Home Braces” solution will not provide you with the expertise and guidance you will receive from a highly trained dentist.



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HOW MUCH DO TIP-EDGE BRACES COST?

Because of the many benefits of Tip-Edge PLUS over traditional braces, many people assume that Tip-Edge PLUS costs more. Tip-Edge PLUS care is fairly **equivalent to the cost of straightening your smile with traditional metal braces methods.**

If you have dental benefits, orthodontic treatment with Tip-Edge PLUS can often be covered by many dental insurance policies. At Aerni Dental, we also offer monthly payments through thirdparty financing, Care Credit to make your payments affordable and convenient.

DOES IT MATTER WHAT DENTIST DOES MY BRACES?

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Absolutely. Tip-Edge PLUS and other orthodontic care is not necessarily the same from one dentist to another. **Each dentist has his or her own experience, knowledge and expertise** working with the Tip-Edge PLUS system. This is imperative to a successful Tip-Edge PLUS outcome.

Dr. William Aerni has over 15 years experience creating beautiful smiles with Tip-Edge PLUS.



IN PURSUIT OF ORAL HEALTH AND HAPPINESS

We believe a trip to the dentist should make you feel healthier, happier, more confident, more knowledgeable. All with less anxiety and pain.

That's why we use all our skill and technology to diagnose what you need and all our focused attention to hear what you want. We'll offer advanced treatment techniques that deliver faster, easier, less costly, more comfortable results. We never forget the power of education and preventative care. Our office offers a calm and quiet atmosphere where you can relax and enjoy your visit.



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★★★★★ **Anh L.**

"I was greeted with warm smiles everywhere as I entered the office for the very first time. I also got a gift from the staff for establishing care there as a new client. The staff took time to explain everything. Dr. Aerni was also very personable and sat down to explain the process which was really reassuring. I would recommend this place to anyone! The office looks out to the Metroparks so you don't feel enclosed."

★★★★★ **Mary Lou S.**

"Where do I begin? It had been years (I really mean a lot of years) since I've seen a Dentist! From the first phone call to schedule an appointment, to the warm welcome the day of from Jennie, to the professionalism of Julie, and Tara's gentle expertise...then Dr. Aerni was the icing on the cake. This office exudes kindness and positivity. I'm facing a lot of dental care, and as odd as this sounds, I'm looking forward to it as I trust this practice."