When to consider crowns

Crowns can restore teeth that are broken, chipped, missing, or damaged by decay or disease. A crown is a tooth-shaped, usually porcelain, cap that fits over the natural tooth. Crowns improve your appearance, but they also protect your teeth and prolong their useful life.

Ask your dentist about crowns if you have any of the following dental problems.

- Badly decayed and damaged teeth
- Stained, chipped, or cracked teeth
- Noticeable spaces or gaps between teeth
- Teeth loosened by periodontal (gum) disease
- Teeth that have undergone root canal therapy
- Teeth that have been replaced with a dental implant