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Why This Matters



Oral Health Is
Integral To Systemic
Health



Gum Disease is
linked to heart
disease, diabetes
and dementia



Reactive care is
costly and
ineffective

A Historic Perspective

- Dr's William and Charles Mayo founded the Mayo Clinic
- The Proactive VS Reactive Care



Dr Charles
Mayo
1915

“The mouth is by far the greatest portal
of germ life into the body”

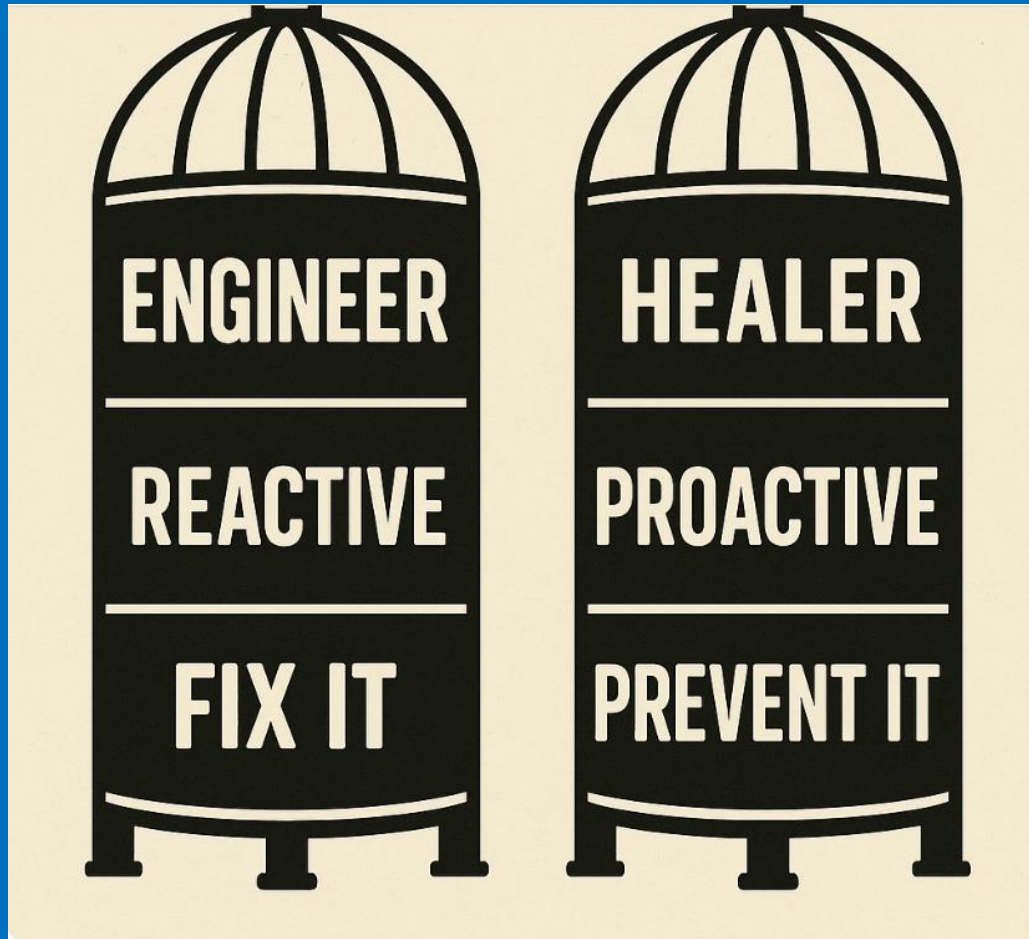


Complete dental care and preventive
measures can extend human life ten
years”



The next great step in medical progress in
the line of preventive medicine should be
made by the dentists. The question is will
they do it?”

The Engineers VS Healers



The Cost

\$50,000

\$271,350

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**INSULIN
RESISTANCE**

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DEMENTIA

DIABETES

**HEART
DISEASE**

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**ORAL
DISEASE**

**ORAL
INFLAMMATION**

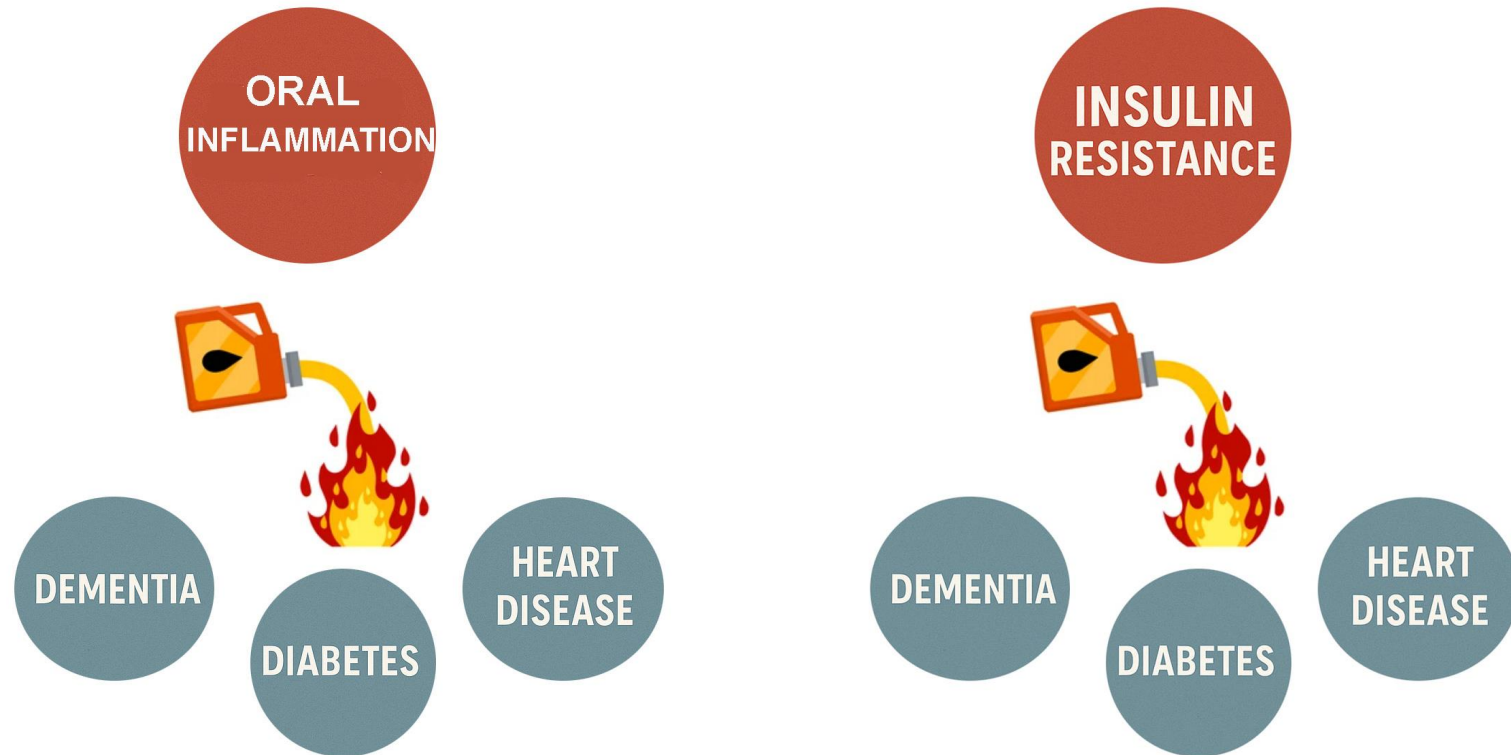


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IMMEDIATE ROI

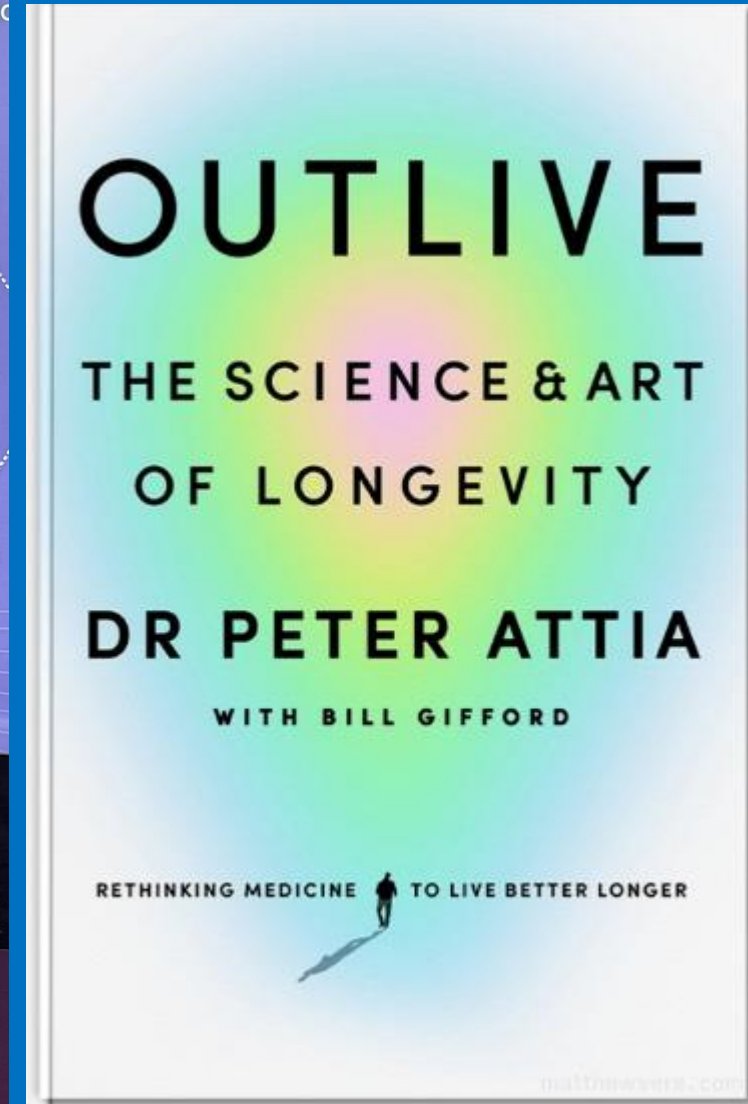


Here's a side-by-side comparison of the Tobacco, Mesothelioma, and Roundup settlements:

Settlement	Total Payout (Estimated)	Average Payout per Person	Duration of Payments
Tobacco (MSA)	\$246+ billion (and ongoing)	N/A (state-level payments, not per individual)	Payments continue in perpetuity
Mesothelioma/Asbestos	\$30–40 billion (via trust funds & lawsuits)	\$1–2 million (avg.); trials can exceed \$10–50 million	Ongoing (due to disease latency, payouts continue for decades)
Roundup (Glyphosate)	\$10.9–16 billion (as of 2024)	\$5,000–\$250,000 (avg.); trials have hit \$80+ million	Ongoing (new cases still being filed)

Google “Snap Shopping Cart”





WITH REFINED CARBOHYDRATES, WE PAY THREE TIMES

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TO THE
PRODUCER

2nd



TO
HOSPITALS

3rd

IN REDUCED
QUALITY OF LIFE
AND LOST
PRODUCTIVITY

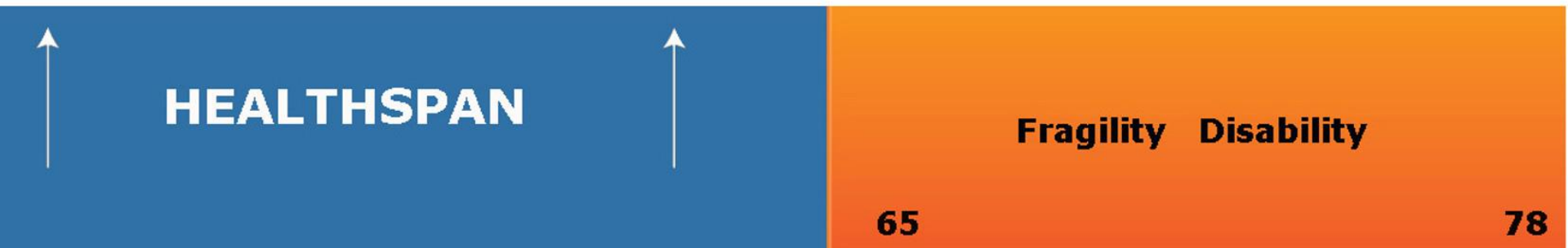


PROSPR/HHS Study

2025 65+ 18%
2055 65+ 23% 75% increase in Healthcare Costs

“Healthspan” The number of years aging adults
live healthy lives and enjoy overall
well being

1 year of shorting duration in 10% of population
29 Billion in Healthcare Costs
80 Billion Economic impact

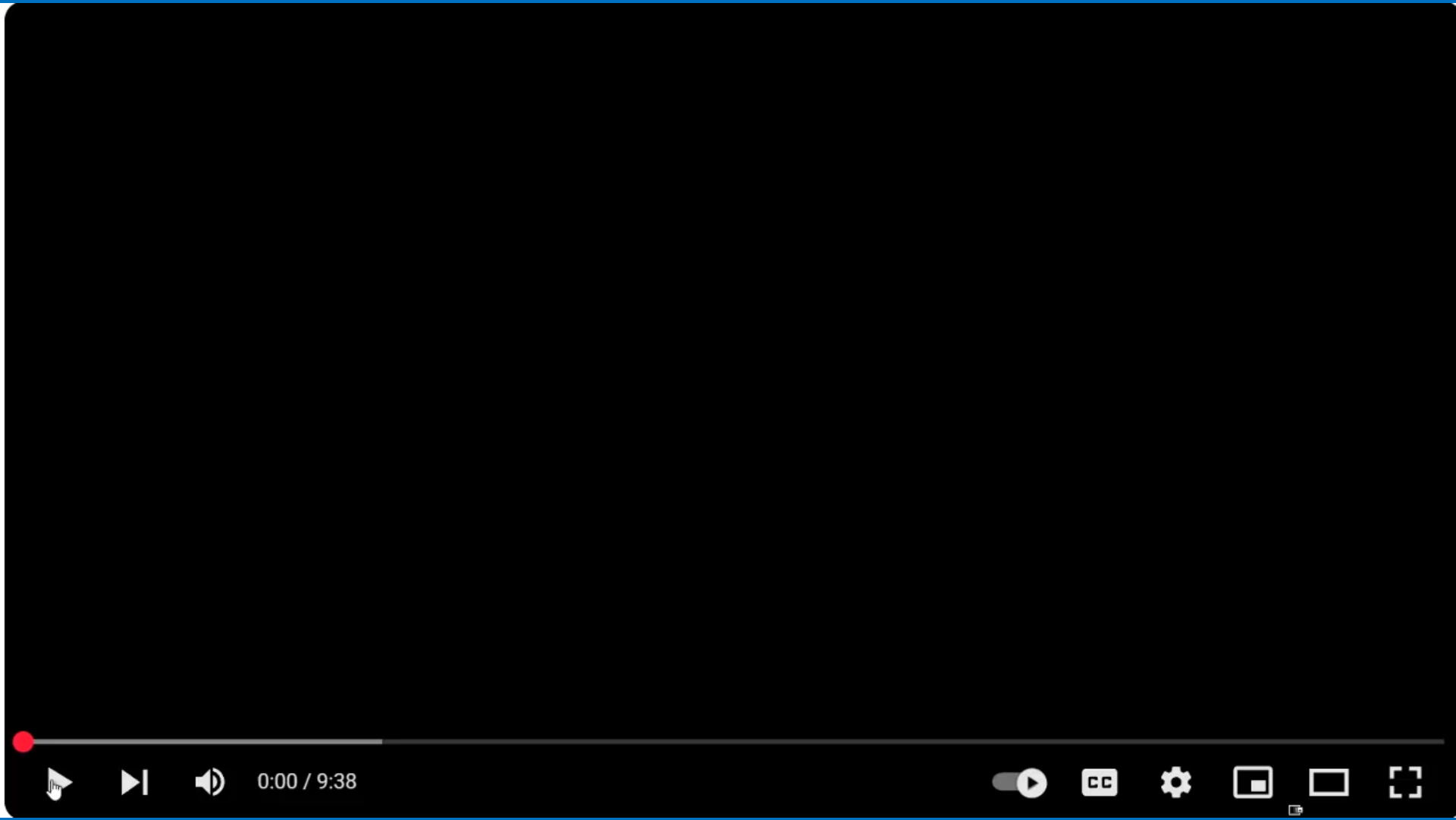


HEALTHSPAN

Fragility Disability

65

78



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It is hoped that the new initiative, along with positively impacting the healthspan of Americans, will also help to enhance the economy across the nation.

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PROSPR
PROactive Solutions
for Prolonging
Resilience



The PROSPR Project Image courtesy of ARPA-H

THE MOUTH

The Missing Piece to Overall Wellness
and Lower Medical Costs

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CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE

Annual Medical Costs

8,458 members in the study were identified with both coronary artery disease and periodontal disease. Of these members identified, 90 completed and maintained their periodontal treatment; 8,368 didn't complete or continue to maintain their treatment.



This data represents an averaged **savings of \$1,090** (10.7%) per patient per year for those who received and completed periodontal treatment at a statistically significant value of $p < 0.04$.

Hospital Admissions

In the case of hospitalizations, of the 8,458 members identified with coronary artery disease and periodontitis, 46 completed treatment and were hospitalized; 65 didn't complete treatment and were hospitalized.



This data represents an **admission rate drop of 28.6%** for those who received and completed periodontal treatment at a statistically significant level of $p < 0.01$.

CEREBRAL VASCULAR DISEASE

Annual Medical Costs

13,007 members in the study were identified with both cerebral vascular disease and periodontal disease. Of these members identified, 139 completed periodontal treatment; 12,868 didn't complete treatment.



This data represents an averaged **savings of \$5,681** (40.9%) per patient per year for those who received periodontal treatment at a statistically significant level of $p < 0.04$.

Hospital Admissions

In the case of hospitalizations, of the 13,007 members identified with cerebral vascular disease and periodontitis, 350 completed treatment and were hospitalized compared to 444 who didn't complete treatment and were hospitalized.



DIABETES

Annual Medical Costs

91,242 members in the study were identified with both type 2 diabetes and periodontal disease. Of these members identified, 913 completed periodontal treatment; 90,329 didn't complete treatment.



This data represents an averaged **savings of \$2,840** (40.2%) per patient per year for those who received periodontal treatment at a statistically significant level of $p < 0.04$.

Hospital Admissions

In the case of hospitalizations, of the 91,242 members identified with type 2 diabetes and periodontitis, 40 completed treatment and were hospitalized compared to 66 who didn't complete treatment and were hospitalized.



This data represents an **admission rate drop of 39.4%** for those who received and completed periodontal treatment at a statistically significant level of $p < 0.05$.

Outpatient Drug Costs in Diabetic Members

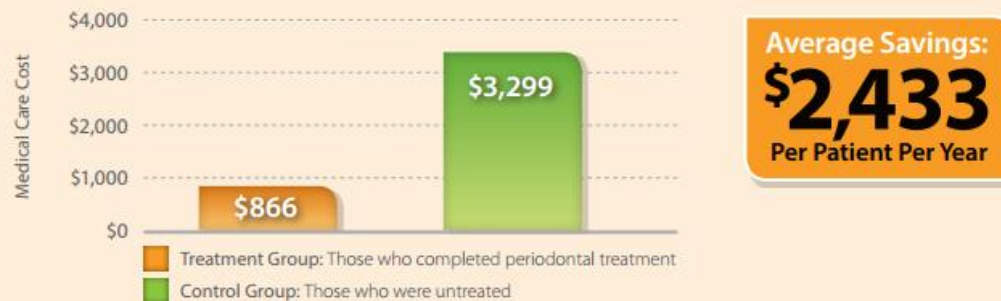
Outpatient Drug
Cost Savings:
\$1,477

We also conducted an internal study of annual outpatient pharmaceutical savings for members with diabetes. We expected that drug costs would decrease over the longer term as the periodontal disease was better controlled and maintained. Our findings indicated that drug costs initially increased over the first two visits, but after a period of seven periodontal visits of treatment and maintenance, the result was a **reduction in annual drug costs of \$1,477** for periodontally-treated diabetics compared to those who were untreated.

PREGNANT WOMEN

Annual Medical Costs

8,342 pregnant women in the study were identified with periodontal disease. Of these women identified, 22 completed periodontal treatment; 8,320 didn't complete treatment.



This data represents an **averaged savings of \$2,433 (73.7%)** per patient per year for those who received periodontal treatment at a statistically significant level of $p < 0.001$.

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The Solution: A Preventive Model

Shift from "sick care" to "root-cause care" integrating medicine, dentistry, technology, and community.



Medical-Dental Integration

Unified screenings (A1c, cholesterol, salivary diagnostics).

Shared records and interprofessional care



Tech-Driven Prevention

Telemedicine and reudentistty access for rural/underserved areas.

Wearables & CGMs for early detection of meabolic and carolovascular risk.



School-Based Health Programs

Fuli-time school nurses for routine checks.

On-site oral health (sealants, fluoride)

Lifestyle education to provent obesify and diabetes early



Incentive-Based Wellness

Insurance premium reductions for preventive compliance.

Employer-based health rewards & gamified wellness apps

Expected Outcomes

- ✓ Fewer ER visits
- ✓ Lower long-term costs
- ✓ In proved
- ✓ National model for



EPIC Software
exists



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Nurse/Oral Health
Therapist

Data Collection

Identify Those At
Risk !!!!!!!!!!!!!

EARLY PROACTIVE
INTERVENTION



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Dental

- Salivary Diagnostics
- Microscopy Risk Assessment
- Ai Powered Imaging
- Caries Detection (laser fluorescence)
- 3D Scan with Ai Analysis
- Smart Toothbrushes



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Medical

- Continuous Glucose Monitors (CGM's)
- Wearables and Smartwatches
- Ai Powered Imaging
- Carotid Intima Media Thickness (CIMT) Ultrasound
- Genetic Testing
- Digital Dermatology (Ai Skin Scanners)
- Home Diagnostic Kits

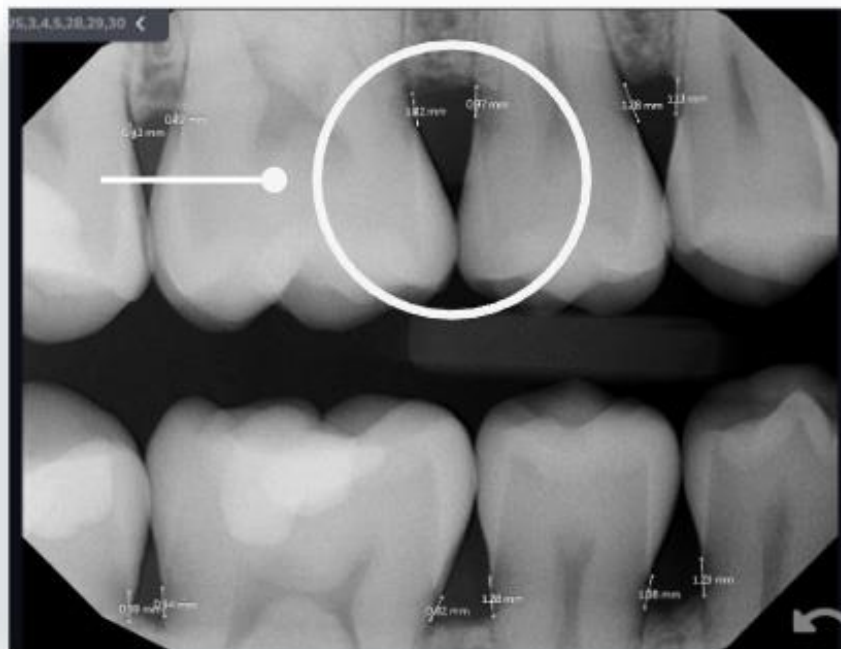


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AI Assisted Regenerative Dentistry





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Promote Preventive and
Alternative Therapies



Encourage Less Invasive and
More Holistic Treatments
(Minimally Invasive -
Regenerative)



Revamp Medical and Dental
Curricula to Ensure Future
Providers are Educated On
Addressing The Root Causes
of Illness.

Call To Action

A Century after Mayo's call, its time to act. We have no choice

Fund, incentivize and integrate preventive protocols

Reimburse preventive care

Revamp Medicaid to bottom

Thank You

A Root Cause
Wellness Model For
Better Health
Outcomes

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