No bone solution—how zygoma implants can help patients who suffer from severe bone loss

One of the most perplexing situations in implant dentistry today is the challenge of assisting patients with severe maxillary atrophic bone or patients with poor bone. The dilemma is whether to subject these patients to multiple surgical procedures, where treatment can last one to two years, or leave them with poor-fitting, uncomfortable dentures. Other considerations are cost and morbidity associated with such surgery and is often discouraging to both patients and their providers. Wearing ill-fitting dentures often affects a patient’s attitude in life, their ability to eat and diminishes their self-confidence. One treatment option to consider in assisting these patients is the use of zygoma implants. Zygoma implants offer a clear solution that can be performed in one surgical procedure to help stabilize a patient’s oral condition, giving them a permanent prosthetic solution in just one visit with reduced cost and morbidity. This presentation will include multiple radiographic before and after oral images, as well as treatment approaches and considerations.

Biography
Eli Friedman is a recognized Leader in reconstructive, aesthetic and implant dentistry and one of the few Prosthodontists who places and restores dental implants. With more than 20 years of experience, he lectures nationwide and is a fellow of the American Academy of Osseointegration and the American College of Prosthodontists. He graduated in 1998 from the prestigious Tufts University School of Dental Medicine and completed an additional three-year Post-graduate specialty certificate in Prosthodontics at Nova Southeastern University’s School of Dental Medicine in Florida. His training was focused on full-mouth rehabilitation and dental implant surgery.

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