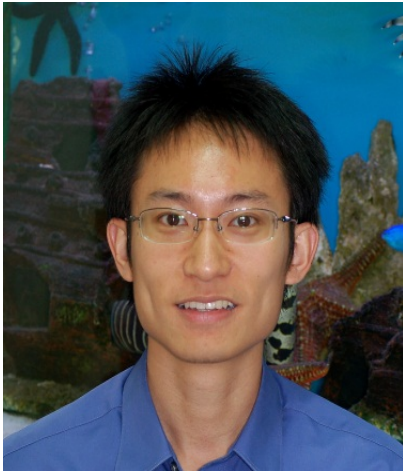


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## WE HAVE A NEW FACE IN THE PLACE



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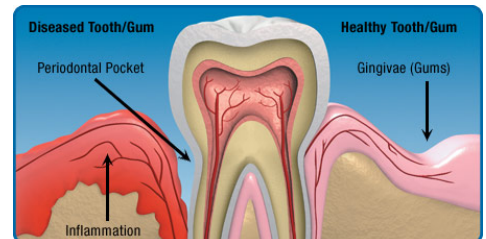
After Graduating Dr Ryan Ip worked in the public health sector for Queensland Health at Nambour on the Sunshine Coast. He enjoyed his work at Nambour, however, decided to move back to Brisbane to be with friends and family. He then commenced work in a private practice at Wynnum and we are now delighted to have him as a member of our team at Market Square Dental Group.

Dr Ip is proficient in all aspects of dentistry and enjoys treating his patients. He treats all his patients with the upmost respect, professionalism and care. Dr Ip regularly attends continuing educational courses to keep up with modern trends.

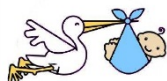
Dr Ip is fluent in English, Mandarin and Cantonese. Dr Ip recently married his lovely wife Alice and is enjoying the newly wed lifestyle. He enjoys playing all sports and excels in table tennis and basketball. When time permits he enjoys watching comedy and science fiction movies .

### *My gums have a*

Gum disease is caused by plaque if left on the surface of teeth and gums every day. To prevent gum disease, you need to make sure you remove all the plaque from your teeth every day by brushing and flossing. However, if bacteria stay's dormant it can lead to gum infection. The first signs of gum disease are, bleeding gums when brushing your teeth, constant bad taste in your mouth or unpleasant breath! If you are diagnosed with gum disease the dentist will suggest treatment to clean the bacteria from under the gum level where is resides with special instruments. Once this procedure has been completed, your dentist will strongly suggest routine exam and clean appointments every 3 – 6 months depending on individual cases.



*Congratulations to Dr Winnie Tang on the safe arrival of her new son, Aaron!*



# Do you suffer from chronic illness?

**medicare**

**is offering you a helping hand!**

Are you aware that eligible patients are able to receive up to \$4,250 in Medicare benefits for dental services over two consecutive calendar years? To find out if you are an eligible candidate, a patient must meet certain criteria. We have listed below the following steps that you must take place before your dentist can start treatment.

1. Make an appointment to see your GP so they can go over your medical history / conditions. If eligible, your GP will fill out the "EPC" forms and lodge them with Medicare direct.
2. Notify our surgery that you have seen your GP and there is an "EPC" plan in place. We will arrange an appointment with the referred dentist and request you to drop off the paperwork given to you by your doctor.
3. Our reception staff will ring Medicare and check that all relevant documents have been submitted for your dental appointment.
4. After your dental appointment, present your Medicare card as your account will be BULK BILLED for your convenience.

## CHILD'S FIRST Visit

Your child's first dental visit should be scheduled when they are around 2 - 3 years old.

The most important part of this visit is for your child to become familiar with the new surroundings and comfortable with the dentist and his staff.

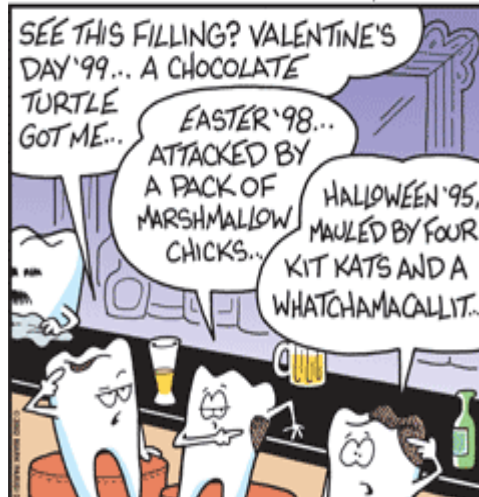
A pleasant, happy first visit builds trust and helps put the child at ease during future dental appointments.

All our dentists are skilled in taking care of your child's needs and are capable of dealing with their first time fears or anxiety.



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## Colgate Take Home Special!

Do you have tooth discolouration from coffee staining or smoking? Or just want a whiter smile for that special weekend? We are offering our loyal patients an exceptional promotion! Take Home Colgate Whitening System was \$450.00 **NOW \$350.00** for one month!