

Four Stages of Periodontal Disease

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GINGIVITIS

Stage I Gingivitis -
Margin of attached gingiva (gum) is inflamed and swollen. Plaque covering teeth. Treatment can reverse condition.



EARLY PERIODONTITIS

Stage II Early Periodontitis -
Entire attached gum is inflamed and swollen. Mouth is painful and odor begins to be noticeable. Professional treatment and home dental care can prevent this from becoming irreversible.



MODERATE PERIODONTITIS

Stage III Moderate Periodontitis -
Cherry red and bleeding attached gum is being destroyed by infection and calculus (tartar). Sore mouth affects eating and behavior. Bad breath is present. Beginning of periodontal disease. May be irreversible.



ADVANCED PERIODONTITIS

Stage IV Advanced Periodontitis -
Chronic bacterial infection is destroying the gum, tooth and bone. Bacteria may be spreading throughout the entire body via the bloodstream and may damage the kidneys, liver and heart.

