

## General Dentistry

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### What is a crown?

**A** crown (or “cap”) is a type of dental prosthesis that covers a tooth on all sides. Teeth need crowns for many reasons such as a large filling, cracked tooth, root canal treated tooth, or broken or chipped tooth. Crowns are excellent restorations that extensively prolong the life of a tooth. Crowns can be white or tooth-colored or made of gold. Most crowns today are made of porcelain or tooth-colored material. Other types of crowns are called dental veneers that cover front teeth that can be used to greatly enhance the aesthetics of front teeth.