

Case Study Courtesy of Yetta McCullom, DDS, MS

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PATIENT HISTORY

A 16-year-old African American female presented on 8/27/09 for a periodontal examination. She had seen the orthodontist for correction of her malocclusion. His exam showed pocketing on the mesial of the lower first molars. Teeth were not mobile and there was no recession. A full set of radiographs was taken confirming radiolucent defects on #19 and #30. A diagnosis of localized rapidly progressive periodontitis was given. Treatment recommendation was the LANAP[®] protocol.

TREATMENT APPROACH

On 9/18/09, the LANAP[®] protocol was completed. Number 19 and #30 were adjusted out of occlusion. Follow up was done two weeks later with minor occlusal adjustments.

RESULTS

The patient did not return until 4/29/2011 for follow-up. At that time, radiographs were taken showing evidence of bone regeneration. Periodontal charting was done one year post-LANAP[®] protocol showing significant improvement in pocket depths. Three years post-LANAP[®] protocol and one year post-ortho, her periodontal condition remains stable.



Pre-Op



12 months Post-LANAP® Protocol



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Dr. McCullom was trained in the LANAP® protocol for the treatment of periodontal disease in 2008 and was so impressed with the technique that she became an instructor for the Institute of Advanced Laser Dentistry.

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